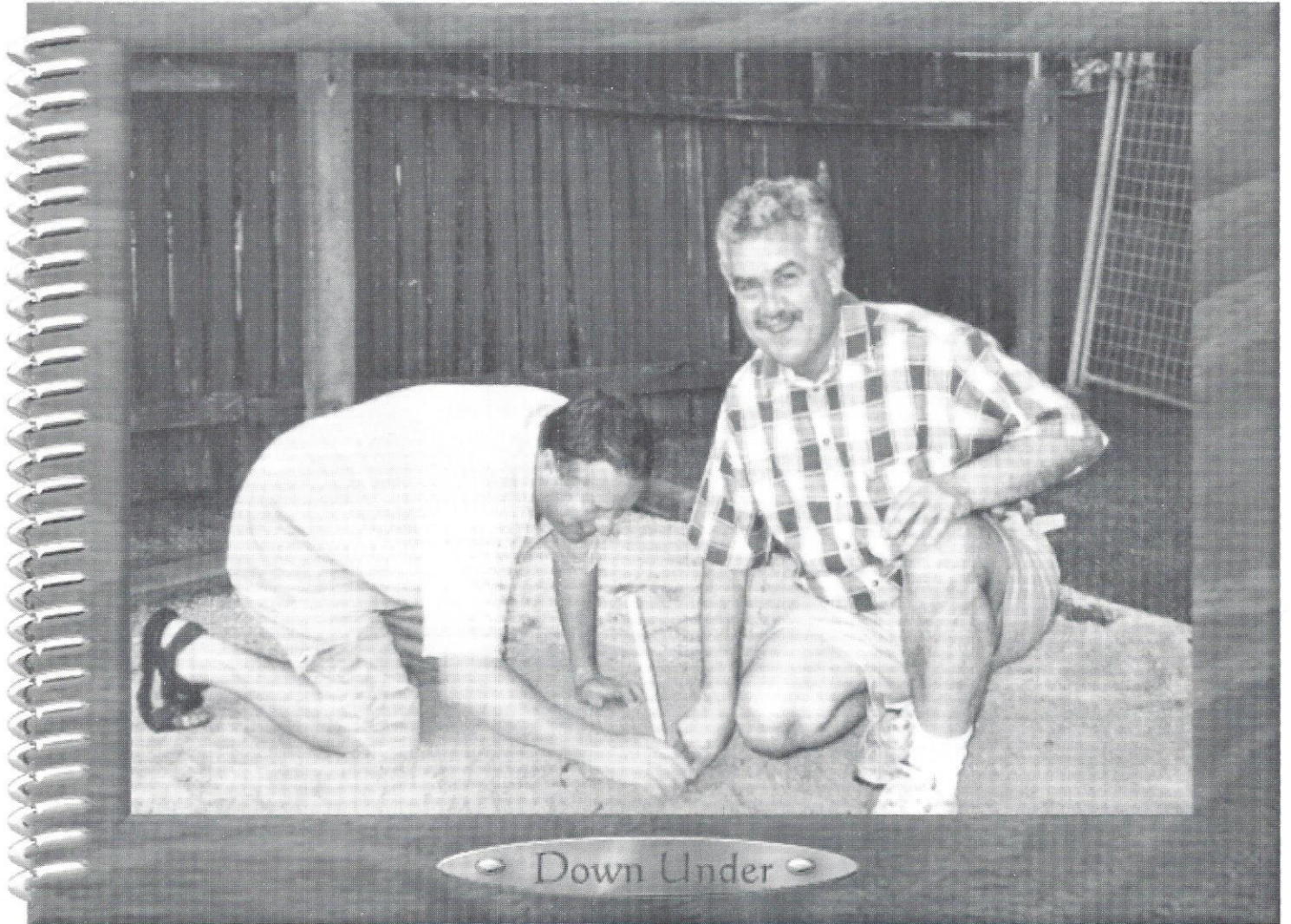


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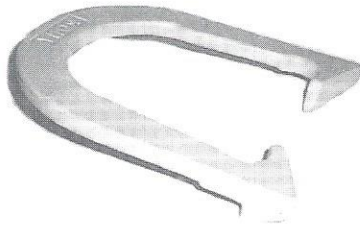
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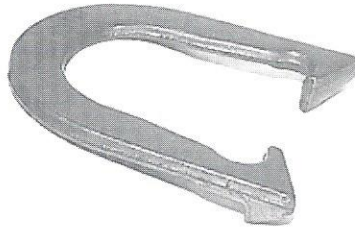
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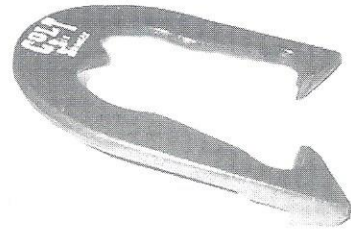
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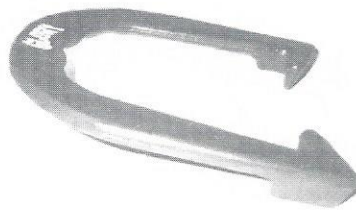
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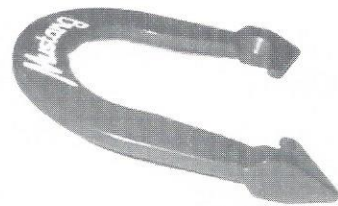
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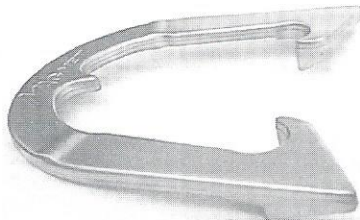
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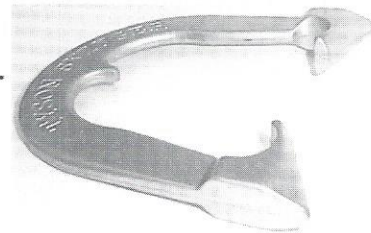


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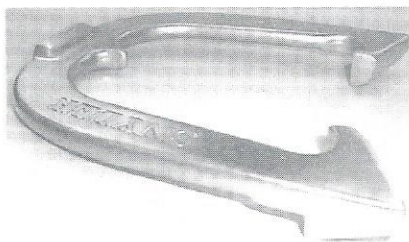
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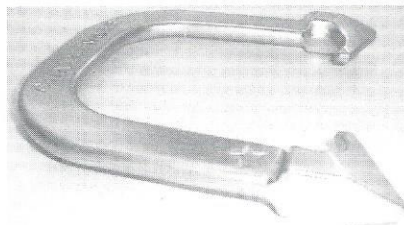


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Graeme Morrison of Australia with opponent.  
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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE **MESSAGE**

By Dave Loucks

**A**s we start a new year, let me be among the first to wish all of you a healthy and prosperous 2002. The previous year was one of tragic events, financial loss and unemployment for many. While we hold hope that this will be a brighter year, our attitude and beliefs will shape much of what we reap. September 11<sup>th</sup> will not be forgotten. The events of that day have had a profound effect in

bringing us together. People have stopped acting without moral commitment and measuring everything in terms of what it will do for "me". There is a move back to a moral society, built upon honor, trust and faith in God. People now display a common belief in something greater than themselves, something they know is there but they cannot control. In reality, this can help us in our daily lives, as we will not be so given to

waste or spend time seeking privilege, money or power. Let us hope that such attitudes and beliefs prevail for a long-time to come because they say who we are. As the French aristocrat & author of Democracy in America, Alexis de Tocqueville, said years ago, "America is great because America is good. If America ceases to be good, she will cease to be great."

## DAVE'S COURT REPORT

### **NHPA INSURANCE**

Our general liability policy has been renewed as has the NHPA/NHPF Directors and Officers liability policy. Unfortunately, the September 11<sup>th</sup> attack has had a direct effect on rates, which throughout the industry are seeing increases of 30-40%. Fortunately, our low loss rate kept our premium increase to only 20%. This however meant the loss of medical coverage, which is now excluded from general liability policies

### **MEMBERSHIP TRIVIA**

The mailing last year of the NHPF information brochure to all member households revealed some interesting facts. 84% of all NHPA households have just one member. 16% have two or more. Maryland has the highest percentage of households with multiple members, 37%. Florida has the highest percentage of households with just one member, 95.7%, followed closely by Indiana 94.1%, New Jersey 93.6% and Pennsylvania at 93.2%.

### **CLOSE COUNTS IN HORSESHOES**

Convention delegates have twice declined to accept "True Cancellation" as an alternate method of scoring. Perhaps consideration of the following would have made a difference. In the 1948 World Tournament in Milwaukee, Casey Jones of Waukesha, WI, pitched what for years, stood as the greatest tournament ever. Casey threw 2159 ringers out of 2468 shoes over 35 fifty-point games, an amazing

ringer percentage of 87.5%. Yet, Casey lost the tournament to Fernando Isais who averaged 84.2%. In the deciding game of the tournament, Isais beat Jones 50-49 in a game that went 136 shoes. However, Jones had 116 ringers in that game to 114 for Isais. Close shoes won the game for Fernando. If ever there were proof that close does count, this would be it. Interestingly enough, if true cancellation had been used, Casey Jones would have won and thus avoided the reputation of being the greatest player to never have won a World Tournament.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

March 15<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for submitting bids for the 2004 W.T. Inquires have been received from Connecticut, Idaho, Indiana and Ohio. Let's hope that at least two of them present bids. Members interested in nominating candidates for a 2002 NHPA Achievement or Stokes Award are encouraged to prepare & mail data on their candidate to the NHPA president by April 1<sup>st</sup>

### **NATIONAL HORSESHOE PITCHERS FOUNDATION**

The NHPF is our vehicle to give something back to the sport. Determine how you may do that and what the Foundation hopes to achieve this year by reading the NHPF Contribution & Update report in later pages of this issue.



# NHPF News & Contribution Update by Dave Loucks

**A**s we enter into a new year, now would be good time to summarize the Hall of Fame building activity and plans for 2002.

A small block enclosure, approximately 900 square ft., has been completed under roof of the outdoor court complex in Joelton. Power is in and turned on. The Hall of Fame material being collected and stored by chairman Earl Winston was to have been transferred to Joelton in November but that was rescheduled to this spring due to a leak in the roof of the new building. That leak has now been repaired.

The NHPF Directors met at Joelton in November and laid out the following plans for 2002.

1. March/April - Bring in Hall of Fame material, lay out & catalog, order cabinets & display cases.

2. March/June - Find caretaker for site to look over Hall of Fame, courts and grounds.
3. Jan/ June - Develop working relationship with national youth organization such as Boy Scouts & Girl Scouts of America
4. Jan/April - Continue to pursue Federal Grants, which has not looked promising so far.
5. Jan/Feb - Develop criteria and application forms for clubs to apply for NHPF financial grant for construction or improvement of horseshoe pitching facilities.
6. Feb/April - Publish and implement monetary grant program.
7. All Year - Continue to investigate possibility of selling some acreage to develop working capitol. Rezoning and environmental issues hamper this effort.

8. All Year - Continue investigation and talks with county about possible development of small RV Park for visitors. Environmental issues have to be overcome.

You can see from the above that we are finally getting close to the actual opening of the long awaited Horseshoe Pitching Hall of Fame & Museum. We are also about to commence the next phase of our charter goals which is to begin issuing financial grants for the development & improvement of pitching facilities and hopefully, implement a national educational program to build the sport at the amateur level. All this of course will require your continued financial support. Please plan to make a personal contribution this year and work with your club to develop and host an NHPF fundraising tournament. There is no

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## NHPA INCOME AND EXPENDITURES

for October/November 2001

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MEMBERSHIP DUES 2001		\$7,550.00
NEWSLINE ADS		\$988.00
NEWSLINE SUBSCRIPTIONS		\$5,192.00
SANCTIONED LEAGUE PATCHES		\$48.00
W. T. BID PAYMENT FOR 2002		\$5,000.00
W. T. TRAVEL EXPENSE REFUND		\$422.95
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$20,757.02</b>

### EXPENDITURES

NEWSLINE PRINTING SUPPLIES & MAILING	\$14,971.54
SANCTIONED LEAGUE PATCHES & AWARDS	\$1,084.85
ALL JUNIOR TRUST ACCOUNTS	\$1,070.59
W. T. CASH, PATCHES & TROPHY AWARDS	\$260.00
W.T. TRAVEL EXPENSES	\$5,240.26
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HALL OF FAME AWARDS, SUPPLIES & EXPENSES	\$290.50
REGIONAL DIRECTOR ALLOWANCES	\$319.98
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- Indiana, 21 for \$1603
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- Nevada, 9 for \$990
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- North Dakota, 6 for \$820
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- Connecticut, 17 for \$717
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- South Carolina, 10 for \$450
- Montana, 6 for \$420
- Oklahoma, 10 for \$388
- Alabama, 3 for \$370
- Idaho, 8 for \$335
- West Virginia, 11 for \$320
- Virginia, 11 for \$318
- Arizona, 7 for \$264
- New Mexico, 4 for \$235
- Arkansas, 5 for \$185
- Wyoming, 3 for \$182
- Hawaii, 3 for \$150
- Alaska, 1 for \$120
- New Hampshire, 2 for \$105
- Utah, 3 for \$100
- Vermont, 2 for \$50
- Delaware, 1 for \$7
- Mississippi, 1 for \$5



# JUNIOR PROMOTION

Narrated by Heidi Poppe

Over the past year, I have been in contact with several people all over the nation in regards to junior promotions. I thought I would take this time to share with all of you the stories and ideas of these people. The whole world has been faced with a horrific tragedy this year, but in that tragedy we found that life

is precious and we are not invincible – lets help our youth see the brightest future possible whether it is pitching horseshoes with your son or daughter or reading a book to your grandchildren - do something good today to make tomorrow's world a better place.

## From Dean Schmitz, Michigan

Here is an article Dean wrote for the WSHPA Newsletter back in February:

### The Real Challenge: Working with Youth

I have heard first hand from WSHPA members that promoting a Junior Program may be in vain because teenagers are out doing their own thing and won't stick with anything. I've experienced this firsthand working with high school students for 31 years. But, if you have never worked with kids maybe you are missing something. After a few years your reward will come. Many of your students will come back to visit and will actually thank you for setting good examples for their lives. So a group of MCIHPC members and I are taking on another challenge, working with Mount Clemens middle school students, teaching the game we love. Yes, 6th, 7th and 8th graders. When you start something don't expect an overnight success. It will take time. Our goal is to have the recreation department continue this program in the summer. A novice league (elementary students) and a sanctioned league (12-18 year olds) is the goal. Of course the MCIHPC will be involved during the summer.

We have heard rumors in Mount Clemens that there may be space available in the new, to-be-built, recreation center for a permanent horseshoe pitching arena.

The main purpose of a recreation center is youth activity. If you and your fellow horseshoe pitching friends want something bad enough you will do just about anything to get it. We want the space for the youth to pitch and they will probably let the adults join in. But now the work begins. I approached the middle school after-school activities director about getting middle school students involved in horseshoe pitching. She liked the proposal and now we are working with the school youth. I presented the program to about 25 youngsters and so far 18 have gotten their permission slips signed and are in our program.

The students are male and female, all nationalities and color. Some will listen and others won't. But put a horseshoe in their hands and you will see the smiles when they get the shoe in the pit. You will experience a burst of joy throughout the gym when one of them throws a ringer. Working with the youth will make you feel and become younger.

We do have some long-range goals: Get the youth interested in horseshoe pitching. Teach them the game. Start a league and teach them the scoring system. Continue the program in the summer. Get a junior sanctioned league established. Get them involved in WSHPA sanctioned tournament pitching. Get them involved in the NHPA World Tournament. And some day there might be a world division Junior Champion from Mount Clemens, Michigan!

## Bob White, Jr. from White Distributors, Erie, Pennsylvania

Here is an idea that Bob White emailed to Billie Sue Pennington, which was then passed on to me about having a National Junior tournament. Lets hear what you have to say about this idea! You can reach me at: hrpoppe@spacestar.net or Bob at: shoeshop@erie.net

I have an idea for a national junior tournament similar to the Music City Team Tournament format. There usually aren't enough juniors per club to have them represent their club, but there are definitely enough per state for them to represent their state. Some states might even have more than one team, especially if they have two or three associations, like California and Pennsylvania. Parents take their kids all over the place for soccer, baseball, hockey and other things— Why not horseshoes? Each state could even provide team uniforms for the kids— I think the kids would really get into it. Now that we

are making and selling custom shirts and hats here, we could coordinate all of the uniforms, making sure that there was a nice color mix for all the teams. We could also provide them to the states at or near cost to save them money. We could pull something like this off at a minimal cost overall, but it could go a long way towards establishing a solid junior program. It's always easier to get sponsors if the event involves kids, so maybe this might be a way of eventually attracting a large national sponsor. If there's enough time, we could also have an open singles competition— This way kids that aren't on a state team could still play— Just some thoughts I've had recently. If we start working on it later this year and plan for next spring or summer, we could put together a really nice event. We'd be glad to host it here in Erie— but maybe a more centralized location would be better. I will almost certainly be going to the World Tournament this year, so maybe we could meet to discuss this idea there if there is interest in it.

—Bob White Jr.



### Marc Woods from Fremont, California

Marc contacted Billie Sue Pennington for some information on how to get a junior league started in his school where he teaches; the email was forwarded to me. At the same time, Billie Sue was helping a U.S. Ambassador from Togo, a small country in West Africa, who had this to say to Marc Woods in an email from May 2001:

Hi Marc:

My name is Ambassador Robert J. Ryan, Sr. I have been working with Mrs. Pennington for several weeks on what has come to be termed THE TOGO HORSESHOE PROJECT. You probably never heard of Togo. You might want to look it up on your world map. It is a small country in West Africa and in 1980 the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association (NHPA) and I and the US Embassy in Lome, Togo arranged to send some horseshoes and other items to Lome for them to expand the game. The game has continued in Togo since then. In January the Togo Horseshoe Federation communicated with the NHPA to indicate that the game of horseshoes was entering its third decade of play in Togo. To Commemorate that event arrangements were made with the White Horseshoe Company to send out several sets of horseshoes. NHPA sent hats and other items. They have men's and women's leagues in Togo and also some juniors play.

Mrs. Pennington e-mailed me a copy of your message and I write to congratulate, commend and encourage you to proceed with your plans to get a horseshoe team created in your school. As you have already found out, there are many people willing to help you and your colleagues in this endeavor. Mrs. Pennington has copies of various newspaper articles which have been written about horseshoes in Togo. If you are interested I am sure that she could send you copies of a couple of the articles which explain how horseshoes came to Togo through my years as US Ambassador to Niger and our employment in Niamey, Niger of a Togolese to whom I taught the game of horseshoes. I gave him several sets of horseshoes when I left Niger. He took them with him when he returned to Togo. He taught several of his countrymen in Togo to play. They got more horseshoes, formed teams and leagues and continue playing in 2001. Incidentally, I started playing horseshoes with discarded shoes removed from our horses many years ago in my farming hometown, of Hatfield, MA.

So, among other things you and your companions now get a geography lesson as an extra. With best wishes for success in your horseshoe undertaking,

Sincerely,

Robert J. Ryan, Sr.  
U.S. Ambassador

## INSURANCE

by BONNIE SEIBOLD

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3. I pitch in a league. Is my league covered?  
Your league is covered if it is a sanctioned league. If your league is not sanctioned, you might want to contact Lorraine Sternberg and get it sanctioned so you are covered by insurance.

4. We are starting to have practice sessions at our courts. Are we covered by NHPA insurance?

No. The insurance only covers sanctioned events. Practice and social pitching are not covered.

5. What constitutes a sanctioned event?

You are issued a sanction number and all participants must be NHPA members.

At the beginning of each year, your Charter secretary is sent a packet containing your Charter Certificate that lists the coverage, an added insurance certificate application, a claim form, etc. You may contact your Charter secretary or myself if you need any of their forms.



# REGIONAL DIRECTORS REPORT by Allen Baptist

## NOTICE TO REGIONAL DIRECTORS

I have recently been asked a few questions from the RD's concerning expense reports. In the Guidelines for Regional Directors, please refer to Article 6 Section 2 for an explanation of expense reports. If anyone needs a copy of the expense report please contact me. I would also like to remind all RD's to send me a copy of their Charter's tournament schedules when they are available.

### FROM THE MAIL BAG:

**Ed Quigley, New Jersey RD** – reports that at the Tom Skinner Memorial Tournament, the Clifton 8-court facility was designated the "Tom Skinner Courts". Also, an additional plaque was placed to commemorate the first NJHPA perfect game, which was pitched on the Clifton courts. The perfect game was pitched by Joe McCrink on June 4, 1989, at the Tom Skinner open. And guess what? Joe's opponent was Tom Skinner!

**Darle Esh, Pennsylvania RD** – reports that Pennsylvania Senior Superior Court Judge, John G. Brosky and Thomas Decker were both inducted into the PA Hall of Fame at the State Tournament in Roxburg. That same day, Thomas Decker won the State Championship, defeating four past State Champions. Darle also notes that the Roxburg Club has donated over \$15,000.00 to Cystic Fibrosis over the years to date.

**Jim Shilling, Indiana RD** – reports that five new courts have been installed in Plymouth, IN. This was achieved under the driving force of Junior Guthrie, Secretary/Treasurer of the club. Roger Geyer and Bryan Guthrie also assisted. They have installed lights, cement walkways and fencing. These courts are located in the Plymouth Centennial Park. Ed Kowatch, the president of the club has schedule four sanctioned tournaments at the site for 2002. The club also has a sanctioned league with 30-40 pitchers participating.


**C. Leo Buell, Iowa RD** – reports that the Ralph Palmer, the man who pitched horseshoes for 24 straight hours for his favorite charity, has done it again! This time Ralph made a horseshoe pit on wheels and he pitched horseshoes for 2 1/2 miles. That is the distance between one of his businesses and the other. He did this walking and each time he made a ringer the pit was advanced 40'. I figure that if I tried this and moved the pits 40' every time I made a ringer, it would take me a couple of months! Ralph raised \$1040.00 for the Children's Hospital and the Handicapped Children's Camp. Leo and three other members of the IHHPA were interviewed on Public Radio explaining the sport of horseshoes. The segment aired October 29 and November 2.

**Ron Taylor, South Carolina RD** – reports that Newberry, SC, located in the midlands of the state has recently built a new horseshoe pitching facility at Marion Davis Park. There are twelve courts at the site,

with full concrete walks, lighting and a beautiful shaded area nearby. Marion Davis Park also has a huge picnic shelter and new playground equipment for the children. Future plans, according to Recreation Director, Scott Sawyer, include the installation of an additional 6 courts adjacent to the original 12, giving them a total of 18. This is the new site of South Carolina's largest tournament, the "SummerFun".

**Vey Allen, Washington RD** – reports that he and others from the area put on a pitching clinic in Washtucna. Vey says that there were 30 people in attendance.

**Myrtle May Kamoku, Hawaii RD** – reports that she sent the Office of Hawaiian Affairs an application for grant money. This money will be used to build and improve the horseshoe courts on all of the islands. Myrtle also publishes a small newsletter to inform all of the Hawaiian NHPA members of happenings and tournament results on all of the islands.



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# PUBLICITY **NHPA** PROMOTION

By Casey Sluys

## Parks and Recreation Departments

Did you know that a person could find over 3000 cities in the U.S. on a single website? This particular website is [http://www.usmayors.org/uscm/meet\\_mayors/cities\\_online/](http://www.usmayors.org/uscm/meet_mayors/cities_online/)

Here you can locate cities within your Charter and then with a little searching, in most cases; you will locate their Parks and Recreation Departments. If you have difficulty finding a direct link, you may have to click on *contacts, departments, city officials* and so on. If you cannot contact the Parks and Recreation Department directly, simply type a header at the beginning of your email asking the party to forward the email to their Parks and Recreation Department. Most will be happy to oblige if you merely state, "Please forward this to your Parks and Recreation Department". Always say thank you and add your name, it certainly will indicate to them that this is not the usual junk mail (spam).

Often times these departments have a direct email link and you can send them a message such as the one that follows:

Dear Parks and Recreation Department,

Please allow us to introduce ourselves. We are the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association. What we can offer you are comprehensive guidelines for installing horseshoe courts. We can also present information on how to promote horseshoe pitching in your area. If this interests you at all, please visit our website at <http://www.horseshoepitching.com> as it may answer all your questions. However, in the event you have more questions, please email me at [kcslus@worldnet.att.net](mailto:kcslus@worldnet.att.net)

On the website you can also find information regarding your own State activity by clicking on the U.S. map and then on your State! You may have a horseshoe club within your area.

Thank you very much,  
**Casey Sluys**  
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Of course you may substitute my name and address with yours if you like. That way it gives a more personal feeling as the email is coming from a local person who is taking an active interest in presenting the enclosed information. If you prefer though, feel free to leave my email address in the body of the letter. We will contact each Parks and Rec. Department that has questions and direct them to their nearest source of information.

Personally, I have sent about 310 of these and received some encouraging replies. One from Surprise, Arizona wants to know how they could begin a sanctioned club. They were referred to the Arizona Regional Director. Another from Chico, California saying they would love to begin a club and have very nice courts already available. Other replies ranged from hearty thank you's to I will forward your information to the proper people.

Kevin Smith, assistant publicity director, is assisting me with this project. He has covered Michigan so far and we will continue on the rest of the states as the off-season allows us time to get the word out.

Any of you wishing to take part in this please do not hesitate to grab a few cities and simply give it a try; you'll find it's well worth the effort.

These Parks and Recreation people, of course, will forward the horseshoe pitching information to any and all interested individuals in their jurisdiction. That was the case with one that came from Oakland, California. We put that person in touch with the nearest local club and he may very well become one of our new members.

At the very least, we have given them the proper procedures for constructing horseshoe courts plus the fact that now they will know where to go for accurate information about us, the NHPA.

On the international front we have heard from Australia again via email. Mr. Graeme Morrison initially asked...

Dear Sir,

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Yours faithfully,  
Graeme Morrison

We replied by sending him a package of material, red book, rules, informational brochures, a copy of the book "Horseshoes", places where he could purchase shoes, and some bumper stickers.

He replied to us, sending us a few pictures displaying their bumper stickers proudly, with the following message.

Dear Casey,

Greetings from down under.

I apologize for not replying sooner. I received your mail packet and can truly say how amazed I am at the material included.

You sure do take your pitching seriously over there.

Nevertheless we are still enjoying it here in a rather less formal way. When a group of mates get together, there is nothing better than grabbing a few beers and starting a game.

Simon (my friend who actually bought the first set) and myself have had many inquiries concerning the car stickers you sent.



I enclose a picture of Simon and myself beside our cars proudly displaying the "Horseshoepitching.com" stickers. I'm the one with the tie.

I also enclose a couple of snaps of us trying to play the game. I will send more when they are to hand. This game was at Mudgee a small NSW town. We will be purchasing equipment soon. Just getting orders. Will write soon.

Regards

We also heard from someone in Costa Rica who was very interested in beginning a Costa Rica Horseshoe Pitchers

Association. We sent him the same type of packet that we sent to Australia. The fellow wanted to build a few horseshoe-pitching courts at a luxurious hotel there. Check out the hotel at this website: [www.bougainvillea.co.cr](http://www.bougainvillea.co.cr) Someday when you vacation in Central America you'll be able to pitch in a sanctioned tournament!

### Making Presentations

Being fully aware that our pitching season in most parts of the country is at a virtual standstill, let us not forget that now is an ideal time to begin some presentations to various groups. You may not be able to actually show them how to pitch, but you could very well give them all the basic details involved with our sport. Bring in a few pair of your horseshoes and let the people handle them as you make your presentation. We certainly need to canvas the neighborhoods to locate these organizations so we can present our organization to them. If just one person from each club would do this we could perhaps gain many new pitchers?

The idea of each person bringing in a new member each year has a lot of merit. Think about how large an organization this would be if we had attempted this over the past 5 years? There would have been no decline; instead we would be a strong healthy organization with hundreds of thousands of members. We can certainly achieve a membership of 25,000 in the next two years if only every other member brought in a new member.

Pages have been written regarding the training of new members of course and certainly most of you know what new members need. They need the guidance and training of an individual willing to teach them all aspects of sanctioned play, including the statistics aspect of the game. Rotate your tournament directors for your local tournaments and see how well most people respond to that challenge. It simply will amaze you what people will be able to do if given the opportunity.

### Local Constitution/By-Laws

Having had a request from a city for some guidance as to what a written set of By-Laws would consist of, I would like to ask each club, if they have one, to send me a copy of their Constitution/By-Laws to me. Perhaps we could glean enough information out of some of the more comprehensive ones to create a generic copy which ALL clubs or cities could use. It would be very handy to have such a document ready to send to whomever and where ever someone would like to begin a club. If you all could help me with this it would be greatly appreciated.

**Hope you had a great Holiday Season!**  
NHPA Publicity/Promotion Team



# “WHAT’S GOING ON?”

*Cathie Loucks*

Contributions to this column can be made by charter newsletter, personal letter or email. Send to Cathie Loucks, 6233 Woodman Drive, Lake Oroville, CA 95966. Email [cathieloucks@yahoo.com](mailto:cathieloucks@yahoo.com).

## ALABAMA

Presented with awards following the State Tournament were repeat champions Jerome McCarty – Men; Ottie Reno, Elders and Kenneth Hancock, Jr, Boys. Teresa Huff is the new Women’s Champion. High % for the year went to Jerome McCarty with 57.62%. Michael Huff received Most Improved Pitcher by increasing his average 15.52%. Jim Pritchard attended the most tournaments, 22. Jackie Gary is the new charter president. Thanks to Sue Pritchard for maintenance & weekly updating of the AHPA website.

## CALIFORNIA (Northern)

Some changes in the Executive Board took place at the November annual business meeting. Gary Keiser is the new 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President and Gail Sluys becomes Secretary/Treasurer for the second time. Gail previously held the position before Jerry Smith took over several years ago. Jerry decided to step down though will stay on as statistician. The Northern charter, which rotates the State Tournament with the Southern California charter, approved a change to require 5 sanctioned tournaments to qualify for the State Tournament but the SCHPA Board who wanted to remain with the present 3 events did not ratify this. 2001 membership was reported at 560 adults and 22 juniors, about the same as the year before.

At the annual Awards Banquet, three very deserving individuals were inducted into the NCHPA Hall of Fame. They were Ben Yost, Monte Jones and Bill Fulwieder. Player of the Year awards went to Gary Keiser (40’) & Ken Schulze (30’). Mary Keiser took home the awards for Rookie of the Year and the most improved female pitcher with a 37.1% increase. Husband Gary Keiser was the most improved 40’ pitcher with an increase of 21.62%. Joe Fournier was the most improved Elder with a 16.66% increase while Amy Horton led the Juniors with a 10% increase.

## ILLINOIS

Cliff Baker, Larry Knop and Bob Schaver tied for 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Men’s Championship Class at the State Tournament. Cliff beat Larry with an 85.3% game in the first playoff and then met Bob for the title game. Bob threw 30 of 34 for an 88.2% game to retain the State title with an overall average of 72.8%. Charlotte Renick took the Women’s title with 59.7%. Ervin Starwalt took the Elders: Austin Bailey, Jr. Boys: Danielle Rakstad, Jr. Girls. Inducted into the Hall of Fame was Nellie Fleming, co-owner of the Palmer Pitching Palace built in 1998 with husband Ed.

## MICHIGAN

Many thanks were extended to the Summerlin’s for their never-ending service to the State Charter. Paula, now Newsline Editor & husband Steve, NHPA Webmaster, have given up their State Officer positions as VP & Secretary to devote their attention to NHPA duties. Paula will remain statistician and editor of the charter newsletter, “The Ringer Report”. Steve will continue as the NHPA Regional Director. Ron Kohn will replace Steve and the charter secretary.

Judy Curtiss and Andy Matthews were the 2001 inductees into the WSHPA Hall of Fame. Joe Poliski, Paul Bogardus, Harve Ponstein & Jerry Kastiline were invited to the Muskegon Correctional Facility in July to hold a clinic and pitch with the inmates. After FBI screening and a thorough search, they entered the main yard to be greeted by a few hundred inmates. As is usually the case in horseshoe pitching, all felt the camaraderie and everyone enjoyed themselves although one inmate was heard to comment that he’d rather have had a girl’s volleyball team visit.

## MINNESOTA

As was to be expected, Minnesota had the most entries at the 2001 World Tournament. Among their 239 entrants, 120 finished in the money! The Gophers took 18 1<sup>st</sup>, 18 2<sup>nd</sup>, 15 3<sup>rd</sup>, 15 4<sup>th</sup>, 23 5<sup>th</sup>, 22 6<sup>th</sup> and 9 7<sup>th</sup> places. Lance Albrecht with 74.38% is the new World Junior Boys Champion. Jan Turnquist retained her Senior Women’s title in a playoff victory over fellow Gopher State member, Edi Holland. Thanks to donations from around the state and the efforts of Craig & Marcie Anderson, the juniors were treated to two parties. The entire MGSHPA thanks the Hibbing crew spearheaded by Tim & Tom Keppell for a job well done.

## OHIO

Congratulations to Jim Walters, the new Ohio State Champion. Jim got the best of World Champion Alan Francis in a 126-shoe game that included 40 four-deads. Jim had 90.4% in that game against Alan’s 87.3%. Previously, Alan had thrown 54 consecutive ringers and a 92.2% against John Brown in a game that went 90 shoes.

Stan Dodson, State Tournament Director, was presented with the well-deserved Achievement Award. Charlie Jones won his class in his first ever State Tourney and Tom King won his first ever trophy after twenty years of pitching in State Tournament. Toni Kucharski was awarded, posthumously, the Sportsmanship Award. Toni passed away August 24<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to Oscar Manns, inducted into the Hall of Fame in the player category and to Doug Crawford as a player-organizer.

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**OREGON**

Bill Graham Jr., former OHPA president and current 1<sup>st</sup> VP crafts beautiful wood plaques and game sets which he donates to the charter to be used as fundraisers. Bill is also in the process of remodeling the OHPA traveling museum trailer. This young man is also a tough competitor on the courts as he is regularly improving his game as he nears a 60% average. Congratulations are in order for Elsie Baldwin & Fran Cooper on their induction into the Oregon HPA Hall of Fame. Receiving Player of the year awards were Marvin Tatchio (30') and Jim Howard & Lloyd Kilgore, (40'). A contest for the club with the most new members was won by Grants Pass. The club received one, 1 year OHPA membership along with 2 shovels & brooms for their courts. Thirty-eight juniors participated in the OHPA horseshoe pitching setup at the Rickreall County Fair in August. Laser engraved plaques were awarded to winners in four classes.

**TENNESSEE**

Over the first weekend of November, Jack Freeman once again played host to the Music City Team Tournament at his indoor courts in Joelton. The weather was beautiful as 54 players from 15 different states in teams of 3 started play at 8am on Saturday. There was a total of \$4,890 in prize money up for grabs. There were six teams in each of the A, B & C divisions. In the top "A" division, it took a playoff round before the team of Bob Logan (IN), Dale Lipovsky (MN) and Carl McFarland (IN) were declared winners over the 2<sup>nd</sup> place Tennessee team of Joan Elmore, Shannon Foster and Paula Hunsicker. The Georgia team of Milton Vinson, Iris Sandham and Lee Presley won the "B" division. The Ohio team of Bob Garber, Jack Baldwin and Paul Burkitt won "C" division. In the two days of pitching, 62 games were 80% or higher. Four players averaged 80% or better for 15 games with former World Champion Brian Simmons being the highest at 83.67% for the tournament. Of the 54 players taking part, 9 were current or former World Champions.

**WISCONSIN**

Clayton Gage, one of the outstanding Elder pitchers in the entire NHPA, was a double winner at the 2001 State Championships. Clayton not only won his class for the 7<sup>th</sup> time, he was inducted into the Hall of Fame. Sharing honors with Clayton was Earl Paulsen of the Beloit Club (Home of Team World) who was also inducted. For his support of the Beloit Club, the Wisconsin members showed Red Ferguson of Illinois their appreciation by inducting him into the WHPA Honorary Hall of Fame. Ron Balsiger was the recipient of a \$100 cash award for signing up the most new members (6). Jane Smith who received the 2001 Presidential Award has accepted the challenge of World Tournament Coordinator for the 2003 event to be held in Eau Claire.



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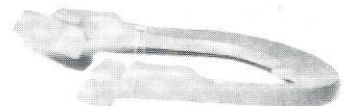
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# Primetime TV Exposure for Horseshoe Pitching

by Gail Sluys

A few months ago I received a phone call from Marla Tellis. She mentioned that she had found my name on our website and was calling for the local San Francisco CBS affiliate KPIX Channel 5 program called "Evening Magazine". She was doing research on horseshoe pitching with the possibility of a challenge with the host Malou, to be aired on the program. Marla explained how Malou has a portion of the show, once per week, called "Outdo Malou". On the "Outdo Malou" segment Malou has challenged sports such as bicycle racing, archery, bull riding, mountain climbing, wrestling, and so on, some she wins, some she loses. I explained how we play tournament horseshoes, scoring, etc. Marla said she would get back to me after speaking with her bosses.

One week later Marla called again with the news that the challenge had been accepted. She had a few more questions then told me that Malou had never pitched a horseshoe before so we would need a person to teach her prior to beginning the game. We set the date for October 10, 2001 at 1:00 p.m. at our courts in Santa Rosa. Marla and I spoke several more times for clarification on scoring, number of pitchers in Northern California, some information about the NHPA and the new courts installed at the White House and Camp David.

Challenge day arrived and quite a few club members came to witness the challenge. Scott Hatcher took the day off and came from Vallejo to watch. Casey and I put together a little gift package consisting of a set of American Horseshoes, a horseshoepitching.com coffee mug (bought from the publicity store on the website), an NHPA hand towel, plus some rules, a bumper sticker and general information about the NHPA to give to Malou. One of our club members, Greg Ellisen, hand crafted a very nice wooden carrying case to put Malou's horseshoes in. These were presented to her before we began our game so she could use her new shoes to play.

Now, you have to remember I average about 70% and Malou has not ever thrown a shoe. She came out with high-heeled sandals on her feet, so we convinced her we didn't want her to break an ankle or leg so she did change into tennis shoes. Charlie Nader, present Sonoma County Champion, gave her pointers on how to pitch and anyone who is familiar with Charlie knows there were a lot of laughs. Obviously Charlie did a good job of teaching, because the third shoe Malou pitched was a ringer.

Before the start of the televised match, Marla, Malou and I got together at center court to discuss how we could make the game look competitive. They wanted me to pitch from 40 feet I laughed and said, "I can't reach the pit from there." I offered to give her some points, but they didn't really like that idea. Marla thought that it would be too difficult to explain the point difference to the viewers. Then I suggested we let her stand closer and



I could miss the stake – they asked if I would be willing to do that. I replied, "Sure, we really appreciate the opportunity to get publicity for our sport." They liked that idea and said I could do what I wanted at the end to win the game, make it exciting!

After about an hour of filming warm-ups practice shots etc. we got the 10-shoe game underway. Malou pitched first every time so I would know what I should do. With Greg Ellisen keeping score, and the scoreboard in place, the first 2 shoes were thrown. Malou hit the clay and I put on one ringer. Her next shoes missed, I scored 2 points. Next pitch Malou had a close shoe, as did I, but Charlie said that since I didn't have a ringer Malou got the point. 6 shoes thrown score 5-1 Gail. Next pitch, Malou had a close shoe, mine were moved away. 8 shoes thrown score 5-2 Gail. Now we are set to throw the last 2 shoes. Charlie told Malou she had to make a ringer and she did! Charlie then told her to

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make another ringer - she got close. Time for me to get real - I covered her ringer and missed the second shoe 1 ringer each 1 point for Malou. Final score Gail 5 Malou 3 the crowd roared ...

This game was a great experience. Malou, Marla, and cameraman Branson were great to work with. Everyone had a lot of fun and laughs. The best part is horseshoes and our website [horseshoepitching.com](http://horseshoepitching.com) received prime time TV exposure.

I did learn something about myself from this experience. I could never be a sandbagger in real life. It really hurt my pride to miss that darn stake.

The TV segment was aired on October 25, 2001. It lasted about 10 minutes showing ringers being pitched by Charlie, Malou and myself, the instructions given to Malou about how to pitch. The production mentioned the NHPA, information about the number of charter clubs in Northern CA and displayed my car license plate 3RNGRS3 with our bumper sticker, [horseshoepitching.com](http://horseshoepitching.com) beneath it. Their TV team did a great job with the edit of the match and even showed our grandson, Travis, who is almost 4 years old, tossing shoes at the stake. For their next segment they had another person seated with Malou and each of them were holding a horseshoe, jovially making conversation about the match. We sincerely hope that this endeavor will gain us some new members including junior pitchers.

Conversation after the segment was aired went like this ...

Thank you Evening Magazine, for the opportunity to be a part of your great program! I pitched horseshoes with Malou on the recent "Outdo Malou" segment and have to let you know Malou, Marla Tavis and cameraman Branson were GREAT to be around and work with. They made everyone feel comfortable and Malou is exactly as she appears on TV. So many times TV hosts are above reality, but Malou has a wonderful personality it shines as she gets into what she is doing. I can't say enough good things about

these people. I have written an article on this experience for our National Magazine and it will also be carried in our Northern California newsletter. I hope Malou will get more viewers from my great experience and our 650 plus membership in Northern CA. Again, Thank you for the opportunity to show our sport to the viewing public. Great Job!

Sincerely Gail Sluys - Regional Director Northern California Horseshoe Pitchers Association.

Hi Gail,

Thanks for such a kind message. We really enjoyed our time at Doyle Park with you and the rest of the gang. I'm glad to hear you enjoyed the segment.

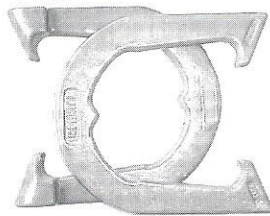
As you know, we had to score it differently since I didn't have time to explain how scoring really works in horseshoes. Still, it was the same outcome—YOU OUTDID MALOU! Way to go :- ) I hope to see you guys at the courts sometime!

Take care and thanks again for the feedback,  
Marla Tellez

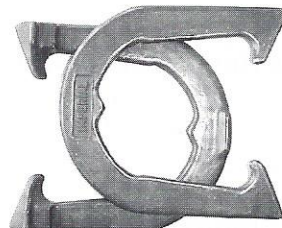
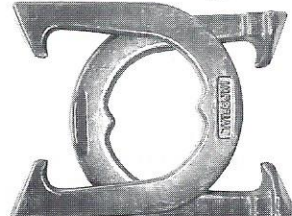
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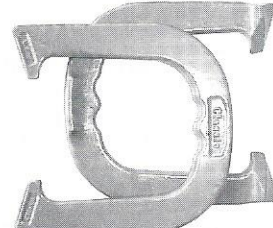
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**(Pitching starts on July 29, 2002)**

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# Red Deer, A Vibrant Community

The name Red Deer is derived from the large herds of elk that used to inhabit the parklands of Central Alberta. The Cree Indian word for the animal was "Waskasoo". The Red Deer River, which flows through the heart of the region, was called the Waskasoo Seepee. The first Europeans to visit the area thought that the elk were the same as the red deer of Scotland. Hence the Cree name for the district and the river was "translated" as Red Deer.

The original settlement of Red Deer began in 1882 where the old Calgary-Edmonton Trail crossed the Red Deer River. At this site, during the Riel Rebellion of 1885, the Canadian militia constructed Fort Normandeau, one of three forts to be built in Alberta during a time of war. The other two were Fort Ostell at Ponoka and Fort Ethier at Wetaskiwin. Fort Normandeau was later taken over by the North West Mounted Police who used it as a police post until 1893.

In 1891, the settlement of Red Deer moved seven kilometers downstream to a site on the newly constructed Calgary-Edmonton Railway (now part of the Canadian Pacific Railroad). This new town site was selected after Rev. Leonard Gaetz, a retired Methodist minister who had homesteaded the land in 1884, offered a half share in his farm to the railroad company.

Around the turn of the century, the community experienced a surge of growth as a huge number of settlers flooded into the area to take up homesteads. In 1901, when Red Deer was incorporated as a town, the population stood at 323. By 1913, when Red Deer was incorporated as a city, the population had jumped to nearly 2,800.

Red Deer developed primarily as an agricultural service and distribution centre, an activity that was enhanced by its location midway between Edmonton and Calgary, in the centre of a very fertile mixed-farming district. Red Deer became a major divisional point of the C.P.R. in 1907. In 1911, the Alberta Central Railway and the Canadian Northern Railway entered the community, providing rail access to the west country and the Brazeau coalfields in the Rocky Mountain foothills.

The outbreak of the First World War brought an end to the land boom. Hundreds of young men went off to serve "King and Country", one of the highest voluntary enlistment rates in the country. Tragically, more than one hundred never returned.

After the War, Red Deer became a quiet, but relatively prosperous community. In 1922, the provincial institution for the care of the mentally handicapped, currently known as the Michener Centre, was established in the city. Eventually, more than two thousand city residents received care there and the institution became the largest employer in the community.

The 1930's brought hard times for Red Deer, as they did for the rest of Western Canada. However, Red Deer fared better than some communities, partly because Central Alberta was not hit by the severe drought and partly because the city entered the Depression virtually debt-free.

Growth returned to the city with the outbreak of the Second World War, even though once again more than one thousand young men and women from the community volunteered for service. Red Deer was the location of the large A-20 military training camp. Two major air bases were developed south of the city at Penhold and Bowden.

After the War, with the discovery of significant oil and natural gas fields in the area, Red Deer entered a prolonged boom. The petroleum service industry became an increasingly important part of the local economy. In the late 1950's, Red Deer claimed to be the fastest growing city in Canada.

After a lull in growth in the early 1970's, another boom accompanied the construction of world-scale petrochemical plants east of the city at Joffre and at Prentiss.

Currently, Red Deer is a very modern city with a population approaching 70,000. It has excellent recreational facilities, a college, a large regional health care centre, and extensive convention and exhibition facilities.

Among the noteworthy recreational and convention facilities is the Westerner Park, site of the World Horseshoe Tournament in the summer of 2002. Initially developed in 1981 and added to many times in subsequent years, the Westerner's facilities now cover 115 acres. They include exhibit, meeting room, sports and entertainment areas as well as large park and green spaces and recreational vehicle hook-ups. The Parkland and North Pavilions, the venues for the World Horseshoe Championships, are well equipped, modern, completely accessible and cover a combined 54,000 square feet of space.

Other features of the city are the Red Deer and District Museum and Archives (4525 47A Avenue), Kerry Wood Nature Centre (6300 45 Avenue), Alberta Sports Hall of Fame and Museum (Riverview Drive and Highway Two), Great Chief Park outdoor sports area (just off Kerry Wood Drive) and Collicutt Leisure Centre recreation complex (3031 30 Avenue). Red Deer is also renowned for its magnificent trail system along the Red Deer River and Waskasoo Creek and through its extensive park areas.

Red Deer is famous for its volunteers and boasts one of the highest per capita rates of volunteerism in the country. There is a spirit of Western hospitality, which is not just a slogan, but also a way of life and a way of doing business. There will be a very warm welcome and a wonderful experience with your visit to this heart of Central Alberta.



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**READ CAREFULLY:** Any adult male pitching from the full distance platform may enter the **OPEN MEN'S DIVISION** regardless of age, just as any adult female may enter the **OPEN WOMEN'S DIVISION**. To enter the **SENIOR DIVISION**, you must be 60 years or older as of July 28th, 2002. Any individual 70 years or older or physically impaired person of any age, all of which must pitch from less than the full distance platform, may enter the **ELDERS DIVISION**. **JUNIOR DIVISION** entrants must be 18 years old or less for the entire 2002 calendar year.

**US RESIDENTS ONLY -INCLUDE a self addressed - stamped envelope** if you would like a copy of your current average. This will be sent to you by NatStats. Canadian entries need to go direct to CANSTATS for their average.  
The pitching schedule will be finalized by **June 3rd** and will be mailed to the address you have listed above.



by Paul Stewart

Have you checked out the new "Message Board" on the website yet? Now you don't have to scroll through all the messages that don't interest you to find the ones that do. This is a great place to share your views or comments on about anything that does, could, or has happened in horseshoe pitching. If you

don't want to post a message you can just sit back and read the comments and views that interest you. Check it out, I am sure you will enjoy.

NatStats continues to be our top drawing card to the website for NHPA horseshoe pitchers. Glenn Jamieson, our NatStats Director, has added another

column to the Reported Events file on the website. You can now check to see what date your tournament was recorded in NatStats.

The following article will be posted on the website at a later date, under the link, "Safety".

The writer wishes to remain anonymous.

## SAFETY PRACTICES

Horseshoe pitchers seldom encounter safety problems caused by pitched shoes, court arrangements or from improper conduct of participants, officials or spectators. That is because safety practices have been built into our rules and bylaws. The word safety only appears in Rule 1,A,6(a), yet it is incorporated into court construction designs and guidelines by which we play. Pitchers have also made commendable efforts in practicing safety on the courts.

Here are a few court conditions specifically established for safety: Side-by-side multiple court spacing is specified as a minimum of 10' with a recommendation for use of 12' separation (stake to stake). An 8' spacing is suggested between stakes and protective barriers behind them and backboards are suggested at 4' behind each stake. Protective barriers themselves are recommended to be made of chain link fence and they are to totally surround each court complex

to help protect against unsuspecting pedestrians and pets from accidentally walking onto the courts during play. In recent years, the height of protective barriers has been raised to suggested 6' and 8' to protect against shoes, which bounce off the top of stakes and pass over barriers that are only 42" to 48" high.

Backstops provide several functions, one of which is stopping shoes pitched beyond the pit, an additional safety factor. Of course backstops also help retain loose pit material and provide contrasting backgrounds for the stakes when viewed by contestants getting ready to pitch.

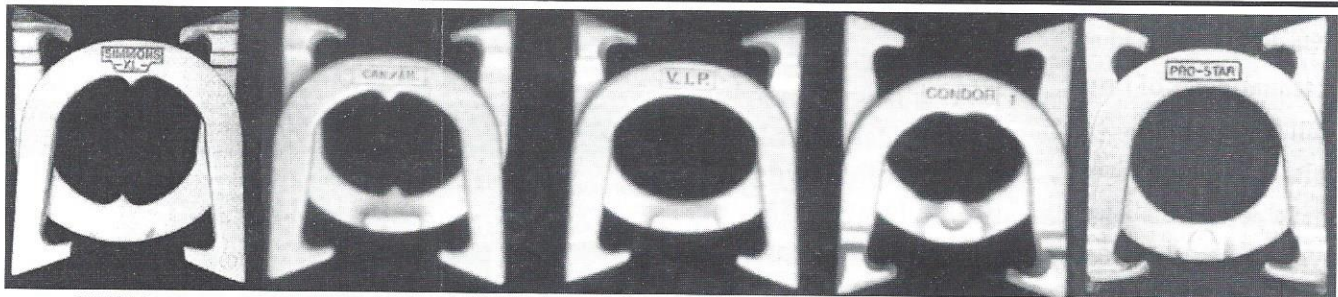
Most courts are built with pitching platforms level with or nearly level with the surrounding grade, intentionally, to avoid ledges or tripping edges for the contestants who might otherwise twist an ankle or knee. Most tournament and practice play is stopped when pitching

platforms are wet because slippery platforms are generally unsafe for pitching. Most tournament directors ask contestants to keep loose clay or sand kicked back into the pits for similar reasons.

Safety was intended when Rule 6,D,2 was written, requiring opponents to stand on or behind the opposite platform away from the pitcher's backswing.

Rule 11 and Bylaws ART X, SEC 10 (for World Tournaments) maintain concern for appropriate conduct and disallow use of alcohol, illegal substances and tobacco on the courts, for the safety of all concerned.

NHPA Rules and Bylaws promote safety and so shall all contestants, judges, scorekeepers, tournament officials and spectators, to keep the high level of safety consciousness we have enjoyed for many years. We truly have great safety participation by NHPA members.



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# The Sanctioned League **Report** By Lorraine Sternberg

This time of the year there is not a whole lot to report on for leagues. Most of the horseshoe pitchers have put their horseshoes to rest for the winter. There are some exceptions with the warmer states that get to pitch year round or some of the lucky ones who have inside facilities. But it is still a pretty busy time in the National Director's office though, as its time to get the top ten list out. This will be published in the next issue. The council will also be reviewing the candidates for the Junior Scholar Pitcher Awards.

There are some things that should be reviewed when submitting juniors for the scholarships. League directors; when submitting juniors, please read over the form carefully and send in everything that is required. Also remember the scholarship is for the previous year (example: this year you were to send in for the school year, 2000-01 not 2001-02). I had to send a number of forms back this year requesting the proper information. A copy of their full report

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## The Sodbusters Horseshoe Club, Vermont

*Submitted by Beverly Forgues*

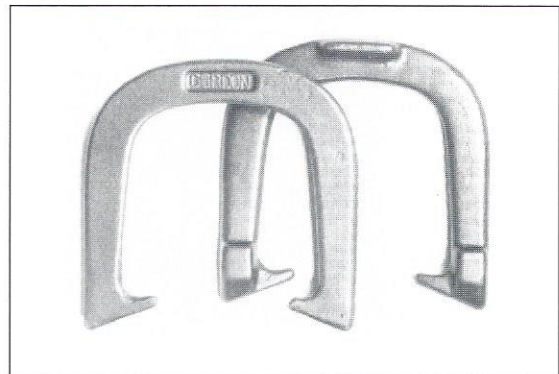
The Sodbuster Horseshoe Club of Vermont held their annual picnic and awards party at their clubhouse on September 23, 2001. It was a beautiful day, with about 30 members and guests present. We played singles in the morning and had a round robin of doubles in the afternoon. After our picnic the club president, Myron Selleck, handed out the awards for our league and club. The league champion this year was Debbie Brown. Second place went to Cody Preston, while third place was shared with Bev Forgues and Liz Downer in a tie. Fourth place went to Nick Preston and fifth place was Stan Bigelow. High game and high average was Liz Downer. High over average went to Cody Preston and most improved was Nick Preston. Our Rookie of the year was Steve Lackard and Ron Williamson received the sportsmanship award. Debbie Brown, Meagan Bigelow, Roger Forgues and Nick Preston received most improved awards for 2000. After the awards were presented, we finished the day with more horseshoe pitching. All in all the day was a beautiful way to end the season. Hope we see everyone back next year.

card and birth certificate must be sent in along with the form. Details on eligibility are in the Red Book.

I would like to congratulate Wayne Hinman from the Syracuse Pioneer Horseshoe Club, New York on being my choice for Sanctioned League Director of the Year, for 2001. Wayne has served as league director for the Pioneer HSC since 1988. Thank you Wayne for your many years of serve.

The new rewrite of the Red Book is at the printers at this time. As soon as I receive them, I will send each league director a copy. More will be available by request. Please read over them, as there have been some changes.

Thanks to all clubs and leagues for a great 2001 Season.



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## Georgia State Championships Oct. 12/13, 2001

	W/L	%
<b>Men's Champion</b>		
Richard Williams	7/0	59.59
Walter Brake	6/1	52.46
Rickey Presley	5/2	49.68
Lee Presley	4/3	50.00
Wesley Gore	3/4	38.28
Jeff Coile	2/5	37.03
Jamie Robertson	1/6	27.08
Cory Lyda	0/7	30.72
<b>Men's A</b> Tim Jones	6/1	36.56
<b>Men's B</b> Lester Talton	7/1	35.57
<b>Men's C</b> Howard Kuehn	6/1	36.75
<b>Men's D</b> Don Hutchens	6/2	30.56
<b>Men's E</b> Tom Carter	6/1	22.97
<b>Men's F</b> Tony Kussmaul	5/0	34.50
<b>Senior Men's Championship</b>		
Milton Vinson	6/0	66.97
Sterling King	4/2	57.02
Doyle Johnson	2/4	39.11
Jim Dollins	0/6	19.71
<b>Women's Champion</b>		
Iris Sandham	6/0	59.25
Eileen Giselbach	4/2	51.64
Mary Lewis	1/5	39.28
Joanne Kennedy	1/5	28.63
<b>Women's A</b> Rebbe Sims	3/0	19.80
<b>Junior Boy's Champion</b>		
Marvin McClellan	5/1	25.66
Chris Mobley	4/2	20.55
Frank Head	3/3	18.59
<b>Junior Girl's Champion</b>		
Marie Williams		9.28

## 2001 Maryland State Championship Frederick, MD September 1, 2001

	W/L	%
<b>Men's A</b>		
Mandell Proctor	8/0	73.68
Elbert Shifflett	7/1	73.58
Charles Bullock	5/3	52.91
Wayne Ploughman	4/4	46.24
John Passmore	3/5	52.14
Eric Zimmerman	3/5	47.08
Fred Beeman	3/5	45.36
Kent Kershner	2/6	36.49
Joe Ambrose	1/5	39.18
<b>Men's B</b> Joe White	7/1	46.17
<b>Men's C</b> Ken Stormer	9/0	42.14
<b>Men's D</b> Wayne Mowdy	5/3	33.88
<b>Men's E</b> Bill Simms	7/1	31.61
<b>Men's F</b> Donald Gobeli	7/1	17.82
<b>Women's A</b>		
Mary Eversole	5/1	48.77
Jane Barthlow	5/1	43.07
Paula Teach	1/5	30.74
Barbara Thomas	1/5	28.10
<b>Women B</b>		
Mary Horstman	7/0	20.55
<b>Junior Boys A</b>		
Steven Proctor	7/0	42.92
<b>Junior Boys B</b>		
Dan Mabry	7/0	16.98
<b>Junior Girls A</b>		
Kimberly Mabry	7/0	4.33

## New Mexico State Tournament 2001

	W/L	%
<b>Men's Class A</b>		
Ken Jones	6/0	57.08
Rick Archuleta	5/1	54.16
Daniel Martin	3/3	47.08
Leo Laumbach	3/3	45.83

Larry Gallegos	3/3	44.58
Randy Priddy	1/5	40.00
Rudy Garcia	0/6	37.50
<b>Men's B</b> Rudy Garcia	5/2	44.28
<b>Men's C</b> Henry Jojola Jr	5/0	33.50
<b>Men's D</b> Keith Platero	5/0	44.00
<b>Men's E</b> Johnny Casias	5/0	28.50
<b>Men's F</b> David Balizan	6/1	31.40
<b>Men's G</b> David Romero	5/0	21.50
<b>Elder's Class</b>		
Paul Martin Sr.	4/0	50.50
<b>Women's Class A</b>		
Doris Miller	2/1	50.50
<b>Women B</b>		
Helen Laumbach	3/0	37.50
<b>Women C</b> Annie Jojola		29.00
<b>Boy's Class A</b> Urias Martin		68.13
<b>Boy's B</b> Kyle Platero	4/2	26.60
<b>Boy's C</b> Corbin McDaniel	4/2	26.04

## South Carolina State Singles York, SC October 13, 2001

	W/L	%
<b>Men's Championship</b>		
Ronald Williams	4/1	65.4
Randy Hudson	3/2	68.1
A. J. Nave	3/2	65.0
Tom Westbrook	2/3	68.7
Johnny Workman	1/4	62.5
Terry Hudson	1/4	61.9
<b>Men's A</b> Joe Carver	5/0	48.8
<b>Men's B</b> Keith Moss	4/2	35.4
<b>Men's C</b> Dan Pritt	6/0	30.4
<b>Women's Championship</b>		
Barbara Taylor	3/0	55.1
Jane Jordan	0/3	47.4
<b>Elder's Championship</b>		
Pee Wee Murr	3/0	69.0
Bobby Stewart	0/3	53.5
<b>Junior's Championship</b>		
Josh Jennings	3/1	14.9
Daniel Stewart	1/3	13.6

## New York State Championships Watloo August 31 / September 2

	W/L	%
<b>MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP</b>		
Bob Hayes	7/0	73.98
Bob Jones	6/1	75.13
Art Tyson	4/3	66.92
John Bogardus	3/4	60.13
Jack Stenberg	3/4	57.82
Harold Uncapher	3/4	52.40
Mike DiMartino	1/6	55.91
Bill Franklin	1/6	50.86
<b>Men's A</b> Bob Hayes	7/0	73.93
<b>Men's B</b> Jack Stenberg	7/1	61.00
<b>Men's C</b> Harold Uncapher	7/0	58.57
<b>Men's D</b> Lenn Davis	6/1	48.21
<b>Men's E</b> Robert France	6/1	47.14
<b>Men's F</b> Harlan Olsen	6/2	41.33
<b>Men's G</b> Jim Euken	6/1	38.57
<b>Men's H</b> Jerry Jessmore	6/1	44.72
<b>Men's I</b> Al Buckland	7/1	34.33
<b>Men's J</b> Larry Seaman	6/2	35.86
<b>Men's K</b> Dennis Coniglio	7/0	38.57
<b>Men's L</b> James Goodman	7/0	31.34
<b>Men's M</b> Andy Laughlin	6/2	40.00
<b>Men's N</b> Tim Metott	7/1	36.00
<b>Men's O</b> Jim Ellis	7/1	32.24
<b>Men's P</b> Richard Winters	6/1	34.64
<b>Men's Q</b> Harold Brown	7/0	31.43
<b>Men's R</b> John Hand	6/1	18.03
<b>Men's S</b> Rich Pulver	7/0	24.64
<b>Men's T</b> Ernie Stagaman	7/0	18.33
<b>Men's U</b> Barry Thiel	7/0	18.21

## WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

Sue Twyman	7/0	57.96
Karen Graham	5/2	61.15
Pat Turner	5/2	49.37
Traci Hastings	4/3	51.95
Barbara Gabel	4/3	46.00
Sandy Bough	2/5	44.41
Rose Mary Walker	1/6	34.62
Joan James	0/7	36.73
<b>Women's A</b>		
Karen Graham	6.5/0.5	59.64
<b>Women's B</b>		
Rose Mary Walker	6/1	44.64
<b>Women's C</b>		
Toni Kurowski	7/2	21.22
<b>ELDER CHAMPIONSHIP</b>		
Stanley Towne	7/0	66.25
Forest "Chief" Kallin	6/1	51.32
John Kozik, Jr.	5/2	44.74
Patrick McCarthy	4/3	36.97
Ed Risley	3/4	46.15
Gordon Decker	2/5	28.90
Donald Buckley	1/6	30.00
Rod Pratt	0/7	15.81
<b>JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP</b>		
Rick Beardslee	7/0	50.74
Richard Marks	6/1	47.02
Tenesia Mayer	5/2	45.80
William Marks	4/3	31.76
Aaron Dorler	3/4	18.21
Shad Wright	2/5	22.78
Toby Back	1/6	16.20
Travis Back	0/7	14.65
<b>Junior's A</b> John Perry	6/0	30.83
<b>Junior's B</b> Jason Bowerman	5/0	16.50

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<b>MEN CHAMPIONSHIP</b>		
Paul Lacrosse	7/1	72.8
Daniel Martinez	6/2	56.8
<b>ELDER'S CHAMPIONSHIP (30 FT.)</b>		
Don Wild	5/0	65.6
Dee Powell	4/1	67.5
<b>WOMEN CHAMPIONSHIP</b>		
Lou Conklin	5/0	62.3
Beverly Anderson	3/2	52.6
Mildred Romero	3/2	49.6
Sheila Shepard	2/3	54.8
Marilyn Person	1/4	42.2
Pam Cook	1/4	32.2
<b>JUNIOR'S CHAMPIONSHIP</b>		
Kyle Steele	5/0	40.8
Noah Elich	3/2	24.0
Kameron Price	3/2	22.8
Jim Beber	3/2	16.1
Robert Gentry	1/4	15.2
<b>Class A</b> Rich Pintor	5/2	60.4
<b>Class B</b> Rick Greigo	7/1	45.0
<b>Class C</b> Wally Hubert	7/0	41.9
<b>Class D</b> Pete Pintor	6/1	32.9
<b>Class E</b> Bob Carpenter	6/1	41.1
<b>Class F</b> Ben Thelen	6/2	25.3
<b>Class G</b> Rich Jensen	6/1	24.6
<b>Class H</b> Hal Sheppard	5/1	20.2
<b>Elder A</b> Clarence Garner	3/2	58.1
<b>Mixed MB</b>		
Gordon Carlson	6/1	49.6
<b>Mixed MC</b> Al Krall	7/0	28.9
<b>Mixed MI</b>		
Daniel Anderson	6/1	15.0
<b>Junior A</b> Tim Taylor	5/0	24.7
<b>Junior B</b> Doug Moe	4/1	5.9



# THE HORSESHOE TRADER

## National Standard Shoes

By Bob Dunn

One of the most well-known and historic early-day horseshoes is National Standard. National Standard certainly was one of the very first commercially manufactured pitching shoes and in the initial years of the sport, was the elite pitching shoe. For many young pitchers, National Standard was the first official shoe of their careers.

By most records, the National Standard Horseshoe Company of Akron, Ohio, began manufacturing pitching shoes as early as 1922. This is supported by a pictured ad found in a 1922 *Horseshoe World* magazine. Research for this writing indicates forerunner to the National Standard shoe, which was sold by William Weis, then president of the newly formed NHPA. The Weis shoe was advertised in 1920 as meeting all national standards. No doubt that is how the shoe came about to be named. There is a newspaper clipping and picture of Hughie Palmer (Ohio) in July 1919, picturing commercially manufactured shoes that resemble the National Standard shoe, so there is some evidence that National Standard can be traced back to 1919. Somehow Weis teamed up with former world champion George May also of Akron. May applied for a patent on November 9, 1921 and that patent was granted April 24, 1923. National Standard is one of the few shoes that received patent protection. All the early-day National Standard ads boast of the George May designed pitching shoe. So there are the initial National Standard shoes that have a lone 'W' on the underside of the toe, which no doubt represents Weis, some that state 'Pat. Applied For' and some that display date of the patent approval, some that note a 1924 manufacture date, all noted under the underside of the toe.

These shoes were all manufactured in Akron, which was part of the logo forged in raised lettering on the toe. The National Standard Horseshoe Company is also a line of forged printing on the toe. The printing was

of slightly raised lettering and fairly small print, so it took very little use and wear to make the printing illegible. National Standard shoes are still rather easy to identify even if the printing can't be read. In most cases the printing under the toe is legible and that is enough right there. Do clean new finds carefully and fully, as occasionally National Standard shoes are found the bear the date production or at least the date that the mold was made. Often the printing is faint but can be read and over zealous brushing and cleaning could reduce what print there may be to a point of illegibility.

National Standard shoes were sold through the mail order catalogs of both Sears & Roebuck and Montgomery Wards. Although Sears was the first catalog to sell horseshoes, National Standard did not appear in that catalog until 1928 and then for only for two years. Montgomery Wards sold National Standard shoe in 1925 through 1929. In 1927, production of the National Standard shoe moved to Canton, Ohio and American Forge & Machine Company became the new manufacturer. Those shoes still had the National Standard brand name, but Canton, Ohio and a capital A in a circle became part of the logo on the top side of the toe. The size of print was also greatly enlarged at this point, so the raised lettering is generally better preserved and

remains more legible. The American Forge made shoes continued through 1934, when the shoe phased out due to the popularity of the many hooked shoes that were now on the market.

There are folklore tales of feuding between George May of the National Standard Horseshoe Company and another of Ohio's world champions, Fred Brust, founder of the Ohio Horseshoe Company. Certainly there must have been intense competition between the two Ohio based manufacturers. Horseshoe pitching was on the boom in growth and the market ripe for sales. The stories

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George May Design



are that Brust somehow pirated May's idea and shoe draft for commercially manufacturing the pitching, but it is generally accepted that Ohio Horseshoe Company began production for national sales a full year prior to that of the National Standard shoe. But if National Standard emerged from the Weis shoe, then there is room for doubt of who actually was first.

At first thought, National Standard shoe is a one-model shoe, but not so. While there is basically one design, the variations through the different logos, and stages and sites of manufacturing allow for several National Standard shoes to grace one's collection.

## Trader Jottings

By Bob Dunn

- ❑ Another annual mailing has just been completed and sent out to the horseshoes collectors. This year's mailing included a letter reviewing some of the interesting finds of the past year, copies of several older rules brochures dated from 1924 to the late 1930's, photocopies of some of the past year's rare or unusual finds, a quiz and some inventories of individual collections. The mailing is forwarded to those collectors that have registered and are on our roster. The roster of collectors ranges from coast to coast and now has 59 members. There are many collectors across the country that have not signed up yet. If you are new to the hobby, have an interest to start collecting horseshoe, or have been collecting for years, it doesn't matter, contact Bob Dunn, 6417 Georgia Ave No, Brooklyn Park, MN 55428, to be added to the roster of the Horseshoe Traders/Collectors.
- ❑ On November 30<sup>th</sup>, my horseshoe collection was featured in an antique program on the national Home & Garden Network (HGTV). The filming was done last June, with four hours of filming edited down for a 3-minute viewing. This notice will reach you after the date of initial showing, but it will be replayed several times over the winter months. The program is called "Collectibles Treasures" and you should be able to contact your local cable company to confirm the times that program #1008 will be rerun.

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# Music City Team Tournament

Eighteen teams from fifteen states traveled to Joelton, Tennessee on November 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> to compete in the tenth annual November Music City Team Tournament held at the Jack Freeman Horseshoe Courts. Total payback for the tournament was \$4,890.00 with each class paying three places. California, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, Tennessee and Texas were represented. Kentucky fielded the most pitchers by having ten pitchers participating. Georgia was second with nine, followed by Ohio and Tennessee with six each. Thirteen pitchers were pitching at the courts for the first time.

Bob Logan and Carl McFarland of Indiana and Dale Lipovsky of Minnesota were Class A winners after a playoff with the Tennessee team of Joan Elmore, Shannon Foster and Paula Hunsicker. Class B champions were the Georgia team of Milton L. Vinson, Iris Sandham and Lee Presley. Winning Class C was the Ohio team made up of Bob Garber, Jack Baldwin and Paul Burkitt.

Brian Simmons of Rhode Island had the high tournament percentage of 83.67% followed by Bob Logan with 81.41%, Ed Arionus with 81.17% and Joan Elmore with 80.00%. Elmore, Simmons and Arionus posted high game percents of 95%. In Class A sixty-two of the 136 games played were 80% and above.

Bob Garber of Ohio won all fifteen of his games. Rivers Prewette of North Carolina and Tom Goff of Oklahoma each lost one game. Tony Hankins of Kentucky had a high game percentage of 90% to lead Class B. Dale Henry of Indiana led Class C with a high game percentage of 80%.

This event used official NatStats averages to place the pitchers in the three classes. Six teams each were placed in Class A, Class B and Class 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.

Donations were made to the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund, this year's chosen charity to support. Bobby Cook manned the computer and kept the results posted with help from Marvin Bastian. Loretta Garber,

wife of Bob Garber, brought dozens of delicious homemade cookies to share with everybody.

The Kentucky team of Walter Mullins, Jim Culver and Monty Roberts paid their entry fee for the 2002 Music City Team Tournament before leaving the courts on Sunday.

Jack Freeman, Facility Director at the courts, had these comments:

"I thoroughly enjoyed this tournament. The weather was gorgeous. On both days, it was around 50 degrees at 8:00 A.M., then up to 68 or 70 by noon. The skies were bright and sunny with blue skies—a perfect weekend for us.

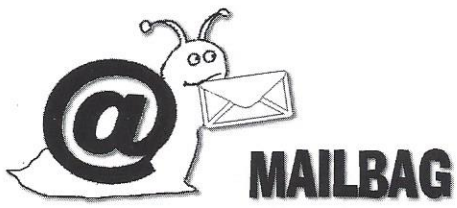
The pitching was great. Brian Simmons (RI), Bob Logan (IN), Ed Arionus (TX), and Joan Elmore (TN) all had percentages of 80% or better. In one game, Bob Logan pitched 87.5% and was beaten by Becky Kemper who pitched 90%. Following the Joan Elmore-Jim Wiltse game, Ron Frederick (OK) gave the pitchers back their money (for score keeping) and told them he would have paid them for letting him keep their score. Joan pitched a 95 percent game.

The tournament went smoothly, thanks to Bobby Cook, Marvin Bastian and Mary Ella Bastian. There were no "drop outs", we had enough scorekeepers, and the clay was "just right". Total "Payback" this year \$4,890.00, our largest purse ever. This was the tenth year for the Music City Team Tournament. We probably won't match that amount next year, but the payback usually is substantial. We already have sign-ups for the tournament next year.

The Hall of Fame building is completed. The electricity is not connected yet. We need to paint the floor, get display cases in place, and we should have items in the building by March or April 2002. Many pitchers, if not all, visited the building."







Dear Editor,

While traveling through Tennessee with my friend, I went to Joelton because I wanted to pitch some shoes on the Jack Freeman Courts. We drove over to Joelton on Sunday, the 7<sup>th</sup> of October, from Goodlettsville where our RV was parked. No one was around when we arrived at the courts. The outside courts were not locked so I got out my shoes and pitched for about an hour. We didn't bring cameras so we decided to come back the next day to pitch a few shoes and take pictures of the excellent facility. When we arrived the next day a pickup truck was parked outside the building where the indoor courts are. As we pulled in, a gentleman stepped outside. We stopped and introduced ourselves to Dr. Jack Freeman. He invited us inside to see the facility where he was cleaning, watering the pits, and redoing the backboards of the eighteen indoor courts. He was waiting for a repairman to fix a sprayer so that he could wash down the floor before he repainted the lines at each court. After redoing the indoor courts I believe he said he was also redoing the twenty outdoor courts. All of this needed to be finished by November 3<sup>rd</sup> for the Music City Team Tournament. Dr. Freeman maintains the courts himself. He was kind enough to let me take his picture and also one of him and me together. We left him to his work and I went to pitch some shoes on the outdoor courts. Dr. Freeman has given horseshoe pitchers and the NHPA a wonderful gift.

Sincerely,  
Priscilla Hedges

# Carolina Dogwood



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Paul Stewart- 1-704-528-5081  
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# LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT

Dear Dave:

I greatly appreciated the thoughtfulness shown in awarding me the 2001 Presidential Award of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association. This special award means much to me and through this letter I wish to record my grateful appreciation and thanks to you and your colleagues for recognizing me in this special and meaningful manner.

I have enjoyed my periodic and productive association with you and your colleagues of the NHPA. Together we and our associates in the Department of State, the US embassy in Togo and the Government of Togo and the Togo Horseshoe Federation have ploughed new ground in international relations. We hope that the small start we have made in "horseshoe diplomacy" can continue to prosper and grow and that ere long horseshoes will be introduced to additional countries, especially in Africa. Working together we have generated favorable publicity for the game of horseshoes. What we have done can well form the background for extending the USA game of horseshoes to other parts of the world.

The NEWSLINE July/August 2001 column written by Billie Sue Pennington and Casey Sluys was well done. I am sure that your readers found this column most interesting. The use of a Daytona Beach NEWS JOURNAL cartoon depicting horseshoes being thrown from the USA to Togo surely attracted the attention of each of your readers and developed attention to the article on horseshoes in Togo.

Working with Billie Sue and Casey on the Togo horseshoe project was most enjoyable a real pleasure. You are indeed fortunate to have people with their qualifications working with you on NHPA programs. I have indicated to them and now to you that working with NHPA staff on the Togo horseshoe project was a rewarding experience for me. While my horseshoe activities will be more limited with each passing year, I want each of you to know that I stand ready to be of some limited assistance to you as you move to expand the playing of horseshoes in countries where the sport is now played and to introducing the game to additional countries.

Please accept my apologies for taking so long to write to express my appreciation and thanks. As I told Billie Sue I encountered some medical problems while in Vermont this summer. I found that I just did not have the energy to complete many of the items that I had planned to do during the summer months. I regret that I had to put off writing this letter to you until our return to Daytona Beach.

With grateful appreciation and thanks for the special recognition given to me this year and with warm regards and best wishes to each of you for continuing success, much happiness and good health,

Sincerely,

Robert J. Ryan, Sr.  
U.S. Ambassador (Ret.)

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### January 2002

24<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Quartzsite Main Event - Quartzsite, Arizona. Entry fee: \$40.00 (scorekeeping included) Additional \$2500 donated by Howard Armstrong. Send entry fee to: Gary Chalberg, 13118 E. 47<sup>th</sup> Drive, Yuma, AZ 85367 Be sure to send the entry fee along with pitching division and NHPA/Canadian Card # and home state. Entries close January 17, 2002. Three sanctioned tournaments required. For more information: Phone: (928) 342-0426 or email arizonatwo@webtv.net

### February 2002

9<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> Dakota Magic Convention Center -

Hankinson, ND. Pitch either day or both days. Entry Fee: Adults/\$20.00 per day and Juniors/\$3.00 per day. Entry deadline: January 19, 2002. Mail entry and fees to: Kurt Whaley, P.O. Box 922, Mitchell, SD 57301. Phone (605) 996-9267 or email [whaley@dakotainet.net](mailto:whaley@dakotainet.net) for more information. Make sure to send entry fee with your name and mailing address along with phone number, NHPA Card #, ringer percentage and choose either Saturday, Sunday, either day or both days. Juniors will be awarded trophies in lieu of prize money.

9<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Valley of the Sun - Mesa, Arizona. Entry fee: \$40.00 Additional fee for those seeded into classes A-D. Entry fee and additional prize money payout to top 3 places in each class. Entry deadline January 30<sup>th</sup>. Mail entry and fees to Rick Durkit, 7303 E. Taylor Street, Scottsdale, AZ 85257 Phone (480) 946-5608 for further information. (Entry form in Sept/Oct issue.)

### March 2002

9<sup>th</sup> - Beverly Hills, Florida Junior Scholarship Tournament Entry Fee: Adults - \$25.00, Juniors - \$5.00 (\$5.00 of the adult entry fee

supports the Florida Junior Scholarship Fund.) Call or write: Linda Kaercher, Tournament Director, 6051 N. Speckled Perce Terr., Hernando, FL 34442 (352) 726-1780

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### April 2002

6<sup>th</sup> - Cypress Sawmill Festival MDA Horseshoe Tournament, Kemper Williams Park - Patterson, LA Charity fund raising event for MDA. Entry fee: Adults-\$15.00, Juniors-\$5.00. Special Cypress Sawmill T-Shirts to the top 3 finishers in each class. Pre-register by April 4<sup>th</sup>. Camping at the par, (985) 395-2298. For Tournament information, contact Al Dodson, (985) 385-1909, Kevin Dore', (985) 395-7327 or Tom Gilmore, (985) 395-5062.

27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Carolina Dogwood - Statesville, North Carolina. Entry fee: \$25.00 Entry deadline: March 15, 2002 Mail entry form and fee to: Carolina Dogwood Horseshoe Tournament, Statesville Recreation & Parks Department, P.O. Box 1111, Statesville, NC 28687-1111. Tournament Director: Paul Stewart (704) 528-5081. Entry form can be printed off the internet at: [www.horseshoepitching.com](http://www.horseshoepitching.com)

### August 2002

31<sup>st</sup> - Louisiana Shrimp & Petroleum Festival MDA Horseshoe Tournament Fundraiser, Kemper Williams Park - Patterson, LA Charity fund raising event for MDA. Entry fee: Adults-\$20.00, Juniors-\$5.00. Payout to top 3 adult finishers in each class. Pre-register by August 29<sup>th</sup>. Camping at park, (985) 395-2298. For Tournament information, contact Al Dodson, (985) 385-1909, Kevin Dore', (985) 395-7327 or Tom Gilmore, (985) 395-5062.



# THE TOLL OF TIME



**A.J. Nave**  
**President of the South Carolina**  
**Horseshoe Pitcher's Association**  
**1925-2001**

Andrew Johnson Nave (AJ) began his South Carolina horseshoe pitching career in 1970 as the charter was established and was an NHPA member for 31 years in this state. He was South Carolina State Men's singles champion a total of 13 times. He was the 1976 champion of the world renowned Dogwood Festival Tournament in Statesville, NC and also the 1977 champion of the Autumn Tournament played at the same location. Among his many tournament championships, he most treasured the "J Miff Nave Memorial Open" in Elizabethton, Tennessee, a tournament named after his dad who was the Tennessee State Champion three times during the 1930's. In 1978 at Joslin Park in Rock Hill, SC, A.J. pitched his highest singles game average at 95.5% and at Marion, NC had his highest tournament average of 80.0% in 1991. His SC State Tournament average of 75.6% is the highest percentage recorded in the state championships. In 1990, A.J. pitched a perfect game in a PCA horseshoe club doubles tournament. He has also pitched

in a total of 7 world tournaments around the country. A.J. Nave promoted the sport of horseshoe pitching in South Carolina by serving in every office of the executive council, and was President of the SCHPA when he passed. He was instrumental in the installation of Simpsonville, SC's 14 horseshoe courts in 1973 and also the 10 horseshoe courts in Greenville, SC.

He served our country in World War II, in the Navy, along with four other brothers. His ship was sunk by a Japanese kamikazi plane in the south pacific, but he survived to fight on until the end of the war. His reputation preceded him where ever he pitched and he represented our state with class and dignity where ever he played.

At his funeral, Francis, his wife, requested that the horseshoe pitchers from our state be pall bearers, and one of the largest wreaths near his coffin, was formed in the shape of a horseshoe with two ringers on the stake.

## **Bruce E. Stuart**

Bruce E. Stuart, 74 years old, passed away October 20, 2001 of a heart attack. He was a NHPA member since 1981. He was also a member of S. California HPA and of the Torrance/South Bay Club. He and his wife, Donna, returned to their farm in Michigan in 1997.

His wife of 54 years, three adult children, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren survives him.

Bruce loved to pitch horseshoes. He placed 2<sup>nd</sup> place in his division at two World Tournaments, once in Pleasanton, California and again at Spearfish, South Dakota in 1997. He carried a 60+ percentage.

## **Horace Darlow Setliff**

Horace "Darlow" Setliff, age 67 died October 23, 2001. He was retired and was the tournament Director for the Lewis County Horseshoe Pitchers Association that conducted tournaments at Jackson Mills. Additionally, he and his widow, Barbara were active horseshoe pitchers. His daughter is married to Rich Rodriguez, the coach of the West Virginia University Football Team. He was the author of a book titled, "January From September" and a member of the West Virginia Horseshoe Pitchers Association/National Horseshoe Pitchers Association sixteen years.

Darlow will be sorely missed. Our condolences go to the Setliff family.

## **Frank Wagner**

*September 16, 1917 –  
November 13, 2001*

The Connecticut Horseshoe Pitchers Association lost one of its founding members on November 13<sup>th</sup> when Frank Wagner, 84 years of age from Darien, lost his courageous seven-year bout with cancer. He pitched his first tournament in 1937 and continued into the mid-1980s. After becoming president of the CT HPA in 1948 he pitched, promoted and fostered our great

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game in forty years at that post, in state and all around New England. He was on more committees pertaining to horseshoes than anyone can remember, acquiring many friends along the way. Frank was a member of both the Connecticut and New England Halls of Fame and was the first recipient of the Don Harrison Award, synonymous among horseshoe players in New England for exhibiting honor and good sportsmanship. With the exception of World War II, when he answered the call to serve in the Army Air Force he was a gold card member of the NHPA for over 60 years – from 1937 until the time of his death. An avid collector, Frank maintained the results and stats of every tournament pitched in CT from 1929 up to the present. He also amassed a complete set of Horseshoe Pitcher/Digest/Newsline publications dating from its inception in 1948.

Along with Lee, his late wife of many years, Frank found time to travel to other states throughout the country to bird-watch, a pastime they both enjoyed immensely.

Frank will be greatly missed by his family and his many friends.

### **Thadeus (Ted) Kowalski – Michigan**

**1919 – 2001**

Ted Kowalski, born July 25, 1919, passed away on December 14, 2001. Ted joined the WSHPA/NHPA in 1992 after retiring from the tool and die trade and was an active pitcher through June of 2001, when he was forced to give up pitching due to his health

condition. He was a member of St. Clair Shores Horseshoe Club, Mount Clemens Indoor Horseshoe Pitchers Club and Knights of Columbus.

Ted pitched in many World Tournaments during his 10 years of membership, winning Elders Class G in 1993. Ted was also a State Class Champion.

Many of us knew Ted Kowalski as a kind, gentle man with a love for horseshoe pitching who unselfishly contributed to the game. Once in a great while, some person, like Ted, chooses to devote many hours of their personal time to “working” for the great sport of horseshoe pitching. For this reason a yearly award, the Thadeus “Ted” Kowalski “For the Love of Horseshoe Pitching” Award, will be given in his honor. The award will be a personal plaque, with a showcase plaque listing the



winners and \$100 that will be sent in Ted Kowalski’s honor to a horseshoe organization (charity/foundation/ scholarship fund) every year. The first recipient of this award was Ted himself in a

ceremony held at the first sanctioned indoor tournament held at the Mt. Clemens Indoor Horseshoe Pitching Club (a club that Ted was instrumental in the development of) this past fall. He was presented with a plaque and was deeply touched by the award. He will always be remembered for his “love of horseshoe pitching.” Ted is survived by his wife of 58 years, Stella; four children; eleven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

### **Jim Farrey – Voluntown, CT**

Jim Farrey, 68 years of age, of Voluntown, Connecticut passed away November 20, 2001. A US Navy veteran, he became a member of the NHPA in 1989 and has pitched in over 100 tournaments in and around New England since then. He also participated in ten straight World Tournaments from 1991-2000, looking forward to that event each year. Often a contributor of articles to the NHPA Newsline, Jim was a member of the New London County sanctioned league for 13 years. He was also a frequent participant in the annual Fraternal Order of Moose International horseshoe tournament, representing Bozrah, CT Lodge 950. The VFW was also proud to have him as a member.

Jim was a shaker and a mover at tournaments — arriving early and leaving late, always there to do whatever needed to be done. A void has been created by his absence and he will be missed by all.

His wife Florence and children survive Jim.



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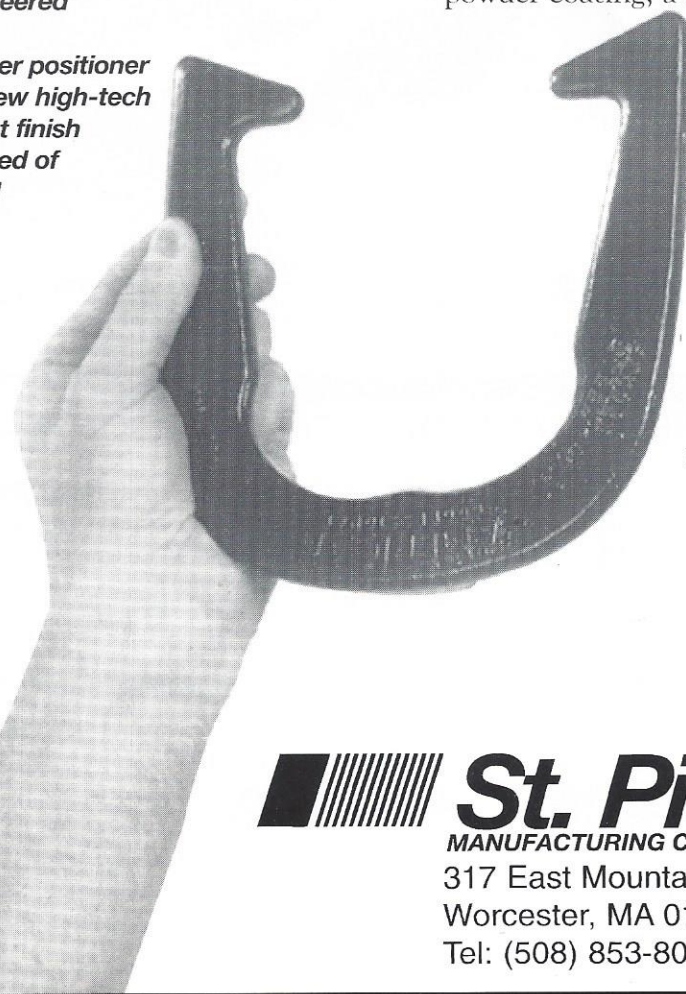
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