

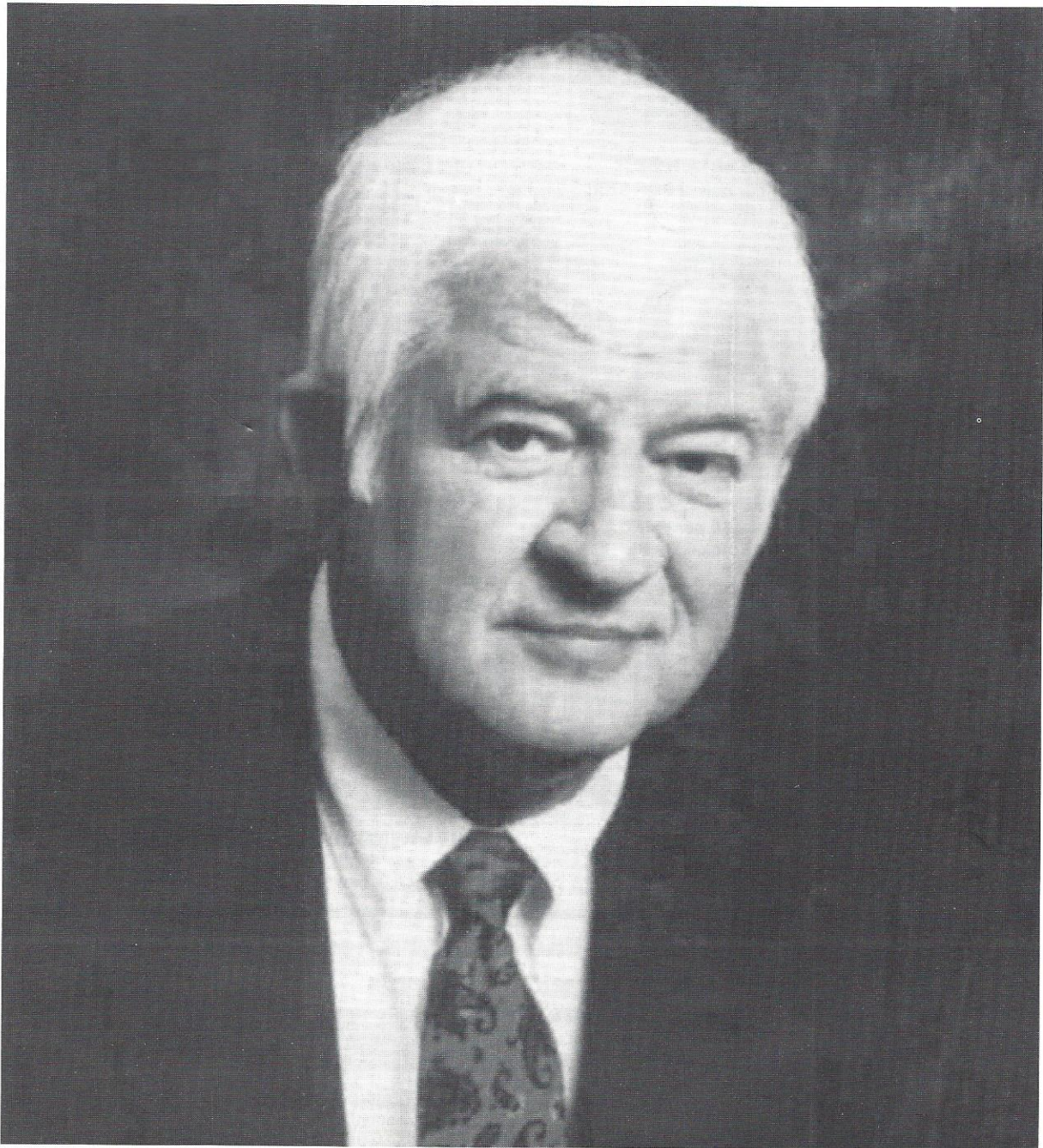


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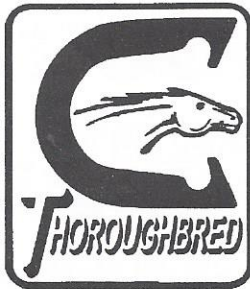
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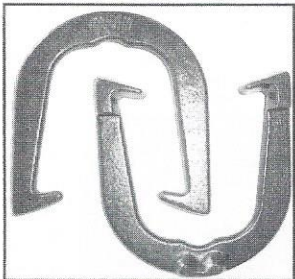


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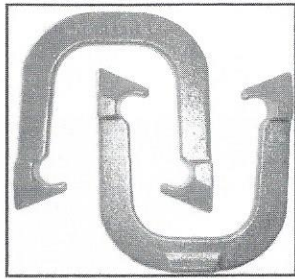
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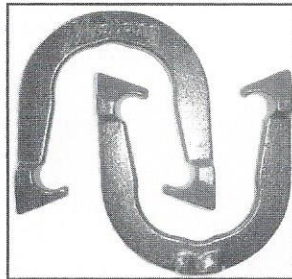
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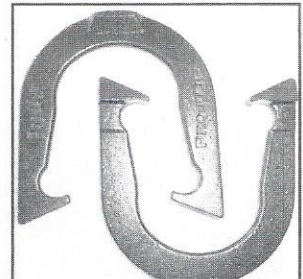
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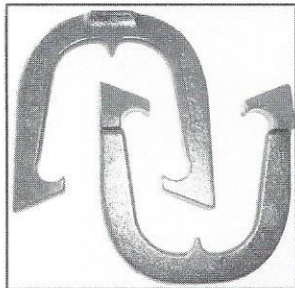
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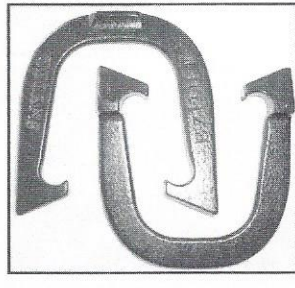
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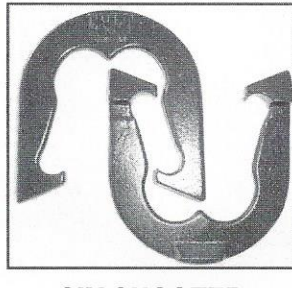
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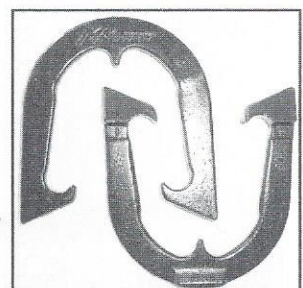
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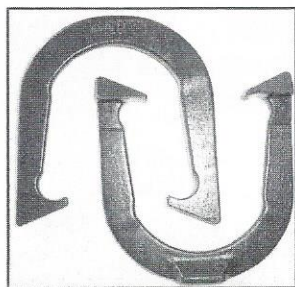
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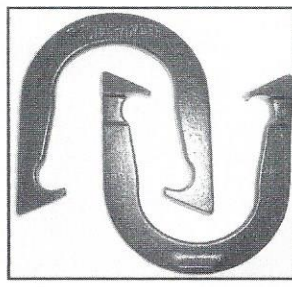
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Jack Freeman 1934-2003
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Paul Stewart

Two days before I officially took office as NHPA President, I was on a plane to Nashville, Tennessee to attend the funeral of Dr. Jack Freeman. I still find myself thinking this is just a bad dream. Our horseshoe family has lost a Giant in the horseshoe world and I have lost a very dear friend. I along with all of you will always remember Jack for what he has done for horseshoes and for what a nice and loving person he was. We can help keep Jack's dream alive by supporting the NHPF and our NHPA Hall of Fame.

The NHPA Council just concluded our annual winter meeting where we discussed present and future business of the NHPA. We also assigned our new 5th Vice-President, Stu Sipma, his duties as the 5th Vice-President. Stu will be in charge of the Rules and will also be our World Tournament Coordinator. The job as World Tournament Coordinator will include checking out all prospective World Tournament bidders and working with them to better prepare them for bidding and then preparing them for the tournament after they have been awarded the tournament. I think Stu will make a very good NHPA Officer and will do a good job on both the Rules and World Tournament Coordinator. Bonnie Seibold will still be in charge of the Rules rewriting that was approved in 2002 by convention for 2005.

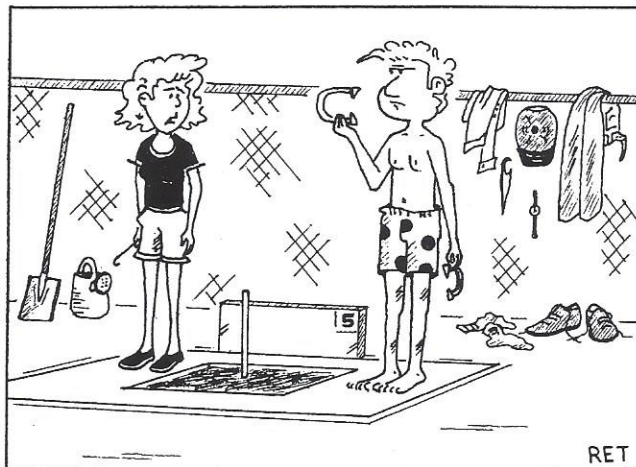
Other discussions and approvals at our meeting included this year's World Tournament entry form and prize list, which can be found in this issue. Please remember that we, the NHPA Council, do not determine the format for the World Tournament, this is discussed and voted on each year by the delegates at convention. This year's format was voted to seed only one-third of the Championship Classes. Men and Women Championship classes will have 24 pitchers with the eight high entering percentages getting a direct seed to the championship. The remaining 16 spots will be filled by the best percentages from class play. Senior Men and Elder Championship classes will have 12 pitchers with the top four entering averages getting a direct seed into the championship. The remaining eight spots will be filled by best percentages from class play. Junior Championships will have no direct seeds. Senior Women Championship will have no direct seeds. Senior Women will be seeded back among the open women if there are not at least 48 entries received.

There were nine By-Law proposal changes sent to Bonnie Seibold for approval to come to the floor of the convention. Eight were approved to come to the floor. The By-Law proposed changes are listed in this issue and also on the NHPA Web site.

The National Sanctioned League Team Tournament has been approved again for this year; this tournament will be held at the Jack Freeman courts in Joelton, TN. Dates and times have not yet been determined. Future details will be coming later from 3rd VP Lorraine Sternberg. If we have enough entries we will run this tournament over two consecutive weekends.

We have decided to extend the co-op advertising program for another year since there weren't many charters that took advantage of this program last year. This program can reimburse charters up to 75% of their out-of-pocket cost for ads and promotion efforts aimed at bringing in new members. For further details of this program, contact 2nd Vice-President, Casey Sluys.

At the World Tournament in Eau Claire, I met with Game Related Sales Director, Ed Domey. At this meeting, Ed told me he was ready to step down as the Game Related Sales Director after many years of service to the NHPA in this position. Ed helped setup the Game Related Sales in it's beginning and has brought it to where it is today. Ed has done a great job and the NHPA thanks him for his many years of service to the organization. Several years ago, Ed asked Ken Kosky of Wisconsin to help with the Game Related Sales and Ken has been doing a great job assisting Ed. After talking to several of the Game Related Distributors who recommended Ken for the job, we, the council, have approved Ken Kosky for this position. Ken will assume these responsibilities by the end of our physical year March 31st. For those of you that don't know what Game Related Sales does for the NHPA; they just paid ten thousand dollars on the new trailer the NHPA purchased last year in Eau Claire. This trailer is used for storage of the WT courts, scoreboards, and fencing and also for transporting this equipment from the WT site to the next WT site.



"IF YOU HAVE ANYMORE DISTRACTIONS TO HANG ON THE FENCE, I THINK I'D LIKE SOME ADVANCE WARNING"

SANCTIONED CLUB/LEAGUEREPORT by Lorraine Sternberg

I hope that you all are off to a great start for 2004. Congratulations to all that made the Top Ten List. Making the top ten list is quite an honor. The list is printed in this issue. If you don't see your name on the list and feel that it should have been, you need to check with your league director to see if he or she completed the top ten report. This is how you get on the top ten list.

I think this will be an exciting year for leagues. We are off to a great start with four new leagues sanctioned already. They are the Plymouth HSC from Indiana, the Rockford HSC from Illinois, the Apple Valley HSC, from California and the Ringer 5 HSL from Kansas.

I recently got back from our winter council meeting. At the meeting our Junior Scholarships were awarded. Six scholarships were given out at \$200 each. Honorable Mentions were given a certificate and a patch. They are Zachary Hines from the Close Doesn't Count Jr. Lg., WI and Heather Drozd from the Pawnee Ringers HSC, NE.

Those juniors receiving a scholarship and plaque are:

Kayla Larson of Alexandria HSC, MN

Grade point average of 3.96

Nicola Hicketier of Close Doesn't Count Jr. Lg., WI

Grade point average of 3.94

Danny Cunningham of Liberty HSC, MO

Grade point average of 3.85

Jason Fisher of Union HSC, OH

Grade point average of 3.85

Mary Ann Paulson of Beloit HSC, WI

Grade point average of 3.75

Joe Duenow of North Mankato HSC, MN

Grade point average of 3.72

Congratulations to all these juniors. I want to stress to league directors to be aware of the scholarship program for any juniors that you have pitching on your leagues. We have many juniors pitching in league play, but few applied this year. Contact me if you need information on the program.

Another item discussed at the meeting was the National Sanctioned Club/League Tournament. At this time we are planning on continuing this tournament, hopefully in October. Of course this will be pending due to the recent death of Jack Freeman.

I am still missing final stats from some clubs and there are still clubs that have not submitted any reports for 2003. If your club has been inactive, I still do need to hear from you.

I would like to thank Mike Tatonetti from the Villages HSC, FL for the great hospitality that they provided the NHPA council for our winter meeting. The club also provided some great weather to go along.

So with this New Year, let's all get off to a good start by having a great league season. Bring in a new member and show them just how much fun the game of horseshoes can be. Lets all help promote the sport that we love.

Happy New Year and Many Ringers to all of you for 2004!



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NHPF NEWS VIEWS & DONATIONS By Dave Loucks

The National Horseshoe Pitchers Association and Foundation lost a good friend and benefactor extraordinaire with the death of Jack Freeman on December 28, 2003. It was because of Jack's generosity that I founded the NHPF in 1997. At the time, I was NHPA President and Jack owned 65 acres and the premier court facility in the United States. He wanted to donate it to the NHPA so the long desired NHPA Hall of Fame could be built there. Because contributions to the NHPA are not tax-deductible, the charter delegates approved the formation of the NHPF, a charitable entity.

Jack initially served four years as an NHPF Director. From the beginning, he was the Joelton site Facility Director where he set up tournaments, supervised the construction of the NHPA Hall of Fame building and generally took care of things. Because of the overall value of the land, courts and improvements, federal tax regulations would not allow Jack to donate everything at once. It was thus divided into three parcels to be gifted 3-4 years apart. The first gift the NHPF received in 1997 was a parcel of land, approximately 56 acres. The second gift in 2001 was some 3.5 acres with 20 covered courts where the 900 sq.ft. Hall of Fame building was constructed. The third and final gift of 3.5 acres with 18 indoor courts was to be gifted this year. While his estate has not been opened as of this writing, the administrator has told us that Jack's wishes will be followed.

At this time, pitching at the Joelton site has been curtailed. There are a lot of loose ends that first need attention. Among them, the Hall of Fame development, which Jack was overseeing, is only about 70% finished. Most likely, in the very near future, the NHPF will be looking for someone to become the caretaker of the Joelton facility. Whether that

will be part-time or full-time for a near-by resident or an on-site NHPF provided residence or rotating RV'ers, is yet to be determined. We do know that things such as general land and building maintenance, court upkeep, some tournament directorship and Hall of Fame care will be required. This will not be a high paying job, but rather one that a retired person or couple might undertake in return for a small living allowance and, if needed, a place to stay. While in the preliminary stages, I'd appreciate hearing from those who would be interested in such a position, along with your qualifications. You may send an email to me at; nhpf-dave@nccn.net or by regular mail, a letter to Dave Loucks, NHPF President, P.O. Box 1628, Penn Valley, CA 95946.

I received nearly \$6,700 in contributions during the months of December and January from 50 different people. The majority came as donations in memory of Jack Freeman. A personal letter acknowledged all gifts of \$25 or more. All donations are very much appreciated by the NHPF that needs your support to continue its work. If you haven't yet sent a contribution, take the time to do it now. Do it annually or more frequently. There is no better way to show your support for the sport of Horseshoe Pitching.

In the last 2 months, the following contributions were received.

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Dick Hansen

NHPA Secretary/Treasurer

I wish to announce that I will be a candidate for re-election as NHPA Secretary/Treasurer. As your Secretary/Treasurer for the past nine years, I have worked to update and computerize the NHPA membership list into a workable database. I am happy to report that we have now reached that point and will next work on making the membership database compatible with the NatStats database. About 75% of all Charters are now reporting to me by the Internet. I would very much like to see 100% of all Charters report this way.

There is still much to do. I enjoy very much working with the rest of the NHPA Council as well as Charter Officers and the membership. As the World Tournament Director I am always looking for ways to improve upon what is already a very successful event. I think listening to you, the members of the NHPA, is the best way to do this.

Thank you for your support and I look forward to serving the NHPA and it's members for two more years.

Casey Sluys

Statement of Candidacy for 2nd Vice President

Having served as your 2nd Vice President for the past 11 years, I am hereby seeking re-election to this office. The years have brought many fine changes to the NHPA and I am proud to say I was part of that. We are now in the middle of a complete rule re-write that will be presented to delegates in 2005. The task assigned to the 2nd VP office is Promotion and Publicity Director. This is an immense task that cannot be accomplished without your help. There are many challenges ahead of us, not the least of which is to increase our membership. Many ideas and thoughts have been published in this magazine and we sincerely hope that all charters were able to glean some valuable information from these ideas. I am respectfully asking for your vote for re-election to the 2nd Vice President office.

Bonnie Seibold

4th Vice President

It has been an honor to serve you as your NHPA 4th Vice-President for several years. I've enjoyed working with the other NHPA officers and carrying out my responsibilities as Insurance Administrator, Bylaw Chairperson and chair of the Grievance Committee. I'm also the chairperson for the rules rewrite committee. I have always worked for the betterment of the NHPA and its members. The years ahead bring many new challenges and opportunities for the NHPA. It would be my privilege to continue serving and your support at the 2004 convention would be greatly appreciated. Thank You.

NHPA Income And Expenditures December 2003

Receipts

Charter Dues	\$10.00
Horseshoe Sanction Fees	\$2,400.00
Newsline Subscriptions	\$6,034.88
Newsline Ads	\$2,801.00
Membership Dues	\$21,579.00
2005 World Tournament Payment, Bakersfield, Ca.	\$5,000.00
Us Bank Interest / Money Market	\$373.25
Us Bank Interest / Checking	\$22.59
Total	\$38,220.72

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Newsline Printing Supplies & Mailing	\$4,517.95
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Sanction League Postage & Printing	\$116.82
Sanction League Patches & Awards	\$956.31
Sanction League Office Supplies & Telephone	\$45.49
Sanction League Director Allowance	\$118.38
All Junior Scholarship Trusts	\$1,586.95
Equipment Purchases, Rentals & Repairs	\$130.00
Hall Of Fame Awards, Supplies & Expenses	\$364.80
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CHARTER CHATTER *by Debby Michaud*

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NEW COURT UPDATE!

There certainly may be more than this, but there are going to be 8 - 12 new courts in Enfield, Maine to provide sanctioned pitching opportunities farther north in Maine than were available previously. There will also be four new sanctioned courts in southeast Oklahoma at the Talking Trees Campground and Health Spa where they plan to have two sanctioned tournaments in 2004. The biggest new facility will be the 24 courts in Hinea, South Carolina. Thank you to all the dedicated individuals who will make these courts a reality.

COLORADO

Since 1987, Colorado has held the Denver Metro League Championships. In a single elimination, match play format, nine league teams comprised of mixed adults played in the bracket - The Denver Summer League won 18 games out of 25 to emerge victorious. The winning team members were Blair Duffens, Gasper Romero and Ted Highland. Lou Conklin of the third place Boulder team pitched the high percentage of 60.67% and the high game of 76%.

MINNESOTA

Minnesota leads the way in the NHPA with 34 adult sanctioned horseshoe leagues. With their large adult membership overall, they are able to accomplish some great things - in 2004, they will bring back the Membership Birthday Calendar - this will be sent to all members free of charge. The 2004 tournament schedule will be on the cover page and the calendar itself includes all the major holidays and all of the known birthdays of MN horseshoe pitchers. In other news, both of their Make-A-Wish children from the past two years, Christopher and Randella, took their "wish" trips and both are healthy and doing well at present. Each of them, with their families, is living each day to the fullest.

MISSOURI

The 2003 State Championships were notable for a couple of reasons. One is that they were held at the Exotic Animal Paradise Park in Strafford, MO at a new, excellent 32-court facility, billed by president Joe Faron as possibly the "best in the nation". The other was the RAIN! After a dry, hot summer, they were "rewarded" with a "monsoon", causing parts of the state championships to be postponed. After 45 days and some pitching indoors at the Don Harris arena, the tournament was completed. Champions were M.O. Turner for men, Pam Henderson for women, Mick Gillette for the Senior Men, Don Harris for Elders, and two Tylers in the Juniors, Tyler Elfrink for Juniors and Tyler Hines in the Pee Wee division. The 2003 Hall of Fame inductee (under cover, we hope) was Randall Grady.

Another nice note is that the construction of the new courts at the Paradise Park was aided by seven young boys from

the Boys Ranch, a home for boys whose lives are "under construction". These boys worked VERY hard in the heat to help build these courts and were rewarded by the chance to play with a three-month-old Tiger cub AND with a real sense of accomplishment and self-worth.

Also, a correction: There are FIVE indoor pitching facilities in Missouri - they are SO fortunate!

NEW YORK

The annual New York State Horseshoe Pitching Championships are held on Labor Day weekend. Tracy Hastings, with a fine 72% average, defeated Sue Twyman in a playoff to win the Women's Championship. It was one of Tracy's finest efforts in years. Other fine efforts were rewarded when Melvin "Luke" Luther and Norm Wehrung were inducted into the Hall of Fame. Luke is a long-standing promoter of the game of horseshoes in New York, at one point donating land to build an indoor pitching facility in Groton where 13 sanctioned tournaments will be held this winter. Mr. Wehrung is also a new Hall of Fame member due to his promotional efforts.

TEXAS

The newest member of the Texas HPA Hall of Fame is Johnny Davenport. He is better known outside Texas as "Mr. D". Debra Odum has now won the Texas State Championship for women FOUR times as she posted a 62.58% average to win in 2003. Other 2003 champions were Tommy Valenta in the Men's Division, Paul McCrerry in the Elder's Division and Casey Hitt in the Junior Boys' Division. Texas awarded its 2003 Junior Scholarship of \$500.00 to Keith Collins. This state is very proud of its 17 clubs throughout the state and will have 49 tournaments in 2004.

In addition, the annual Go Texan Horseshoe Tournament at the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo was held on February 28, 2004. This tournament pits teams from all over Texas against each other and generates money each year to benefit the Youth Scholarship Fund.

WASHINGTON

Some more kudos for the work that Phyllis Quist was able to put forth as president of the WSHPA. She worked to have a Regional Director for Washington state alone and kept the Winetroutr Series alive after Winnie's monetary support ended in 2000. She also kept the WSHPA solvent when funds were getting low AND she helped create the program in which juniors are given funds to help with the expenses of attending the World Tournament. She and her husband Jim were recipients of an Achievement Award from the NHPA in 2003 as well as numerous Regional Awards. This "team" from Washington State has contributed so much and it is a sure thing they will continue to stay involved.

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CHARTER CHATTER *continued from page 8*

PLAYER OF THE YEAR(S)

Several states have Player of the Year awards with some small variety in methods of determining the winners. Some are simply based on figures and some choices are just a little more subjective.

Three examples:

In Oregon, pitchers must pitch a minimum of ten tournaments in the calendar year. That narrows the field down tremendously. After that, the number of 1st, 2nd or 3rd place finishes AND the total number of wins are considered. Points are earned for improvement and/or consistency of ringer percentage, and for activity level within the charter. A good finish at the World Tournament earns more points and the person in charge of the award can award more points based on exemplary performance.

In Minnesota, pitchers are given points just for entering tournaments in a 12-month period. Additional points are garnered for 1st - 3rd place finishes. No league or club play is included. The top point getter in the state receives the Frank Stinson Memorial Award and the top ten point getters, in the state as well as any other pitcher who is the top point getter in his or her region, are considered for Player of the Year. Current standings are printed regularly in the Minnesota Ringer Digest.

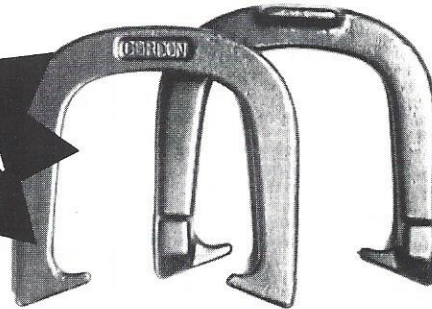
In Eastern Pennsylvania, ALL entries in sanctioned tournaments receive points, from 10 points for 1st place right on down to 1 point for 10th place. Of course the more tournaments entered, the more points will be garnered. From this simple points system, a \$100.00 award is given to the winner at the end of the year, with \$75.00 for second and \$50.00 for third. Updated standings are posted at tournaments throughout the year.

Thank you all for the information you sent to me. This is interesting and a good motivational tool for other charters to follow.

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PUBLICITY PROMOTION

by Casey Sluys

PITCH AND WIN

The Pitch and Win Program was fairly well received. At this time I've mailed out ten copies to various charters. If you decide to implement this fine program in your town, get out and talk it up, get the word out to all club members that you are going to hold this.

The program will not run itself; it will take some salesmanship on your part, to make it successful. One needs to solicit businesses that can contribute a "prize for the WIN" aspect of this. The PITCH aspect needs to be done by the contestants, of course. To get the PITCH aspect set up, one will need to talk with their county fair manager, city officials, or festive committees.

The set-up of the stake or stakes needs to be carefully thought out so one will get the most traffic possible passing by the area. The more people walking by, the more apt you are to have good participation. It really only takes an area of 50 feet in length and maybe 10 feet wide. If the area is protected by hay bales and caution tape it should meet most of their safety standards. Keep in mind that participants might never have pitched a horseshoe; therefore they could toss a very wayward shoe. Safety and the protection of the spectators are of key importance. You'll need a skill; someone pitching anytime there is no one waiting to participate. The simple clanging of a set of horseshoes will draw attention to your program.

For prizes, a simple personal sized pizza certificate for a ringer, a free soda for close and you can make up buttons for all participants with "I Pitched at the Fair." Buttons can probably be made at your local trophy supplier. In any case, everyone should walk away with something in his or her hands. Whether that be a charter specific brochure, a copy of the rules, the NHPA publicity brochure, the button, a certificate for a free soda, or a free pizza, but something. It's also very important to get the names and phone numbers of the participants. Those showing an active interest should be invited to your club or league night to pitch with you.

CO-OP AD PROGRAM

One year ago the NHPA offered all charters a percentage of money for advertising for new members. Do you recall the program? It was affectionately called the "NHPA Co-op Advertising Program" Co-op for short. As of this writing only two charters have received any monetary compensation for ads that they've run in newspaper or on radio. The program has been extended for 2004 and we certainly hope more charters will take advantage of this. Perhaps we should use the Regional Directors as liaisons with this office? What do you think? Would this program have been more successful with every officer of your charter involved? Should it have been only the charter RD, Secretary, President, or all of the

above? It's difficult for me to comprehend why there has been such a dismal response to this fine incentive program offered by the NHPA. Often we hear, "what does the NHPA do for me?" This is a golden opportunity for you to witness what the NHPA can do for you!

ESTATE PLANNING

There is a subject that no one likes to think about ... the end of our lives. It is a tough subject to write about, but it will be a great advantage to those you leave behind, if you do your estate planning in advance. Have any of you ever thought about your estate and whom you wish your money, property, or material things to go to? One reads frequently in obituaries that in lieu of flowers please make a contribution to.....(any number of societies.) Has the thought crossed your mind to include our National Horseshoe Pitchers Foundation? Certainly it is a wonderful opportunity for

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Team World Date Correction

May 14th, 15th, 16th

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PARK AND RECREATION RELATIONSHIPS

In 1995 our city took a park back from the vagrants and criminal element that are prevalent in places left unattended. During this transition to a family oriented park all shrubs and trees were pruned to where one could readily see through the block wide city park. The committee asked us to participate in an "old fashioned 4th of July celebration" Every year since then we have set up stakes, or portable pits in order to participate and keep a good working relationship with the

city officials sponsoring the event. It worked wonders for the park and we were able to bring horseshoe pitching to the thousands who meandered through the park on all July 4ths since then.

This year the park celebration will move to our fairgrounds in conjunction with events held there. Besides the huge fireworks display there are numerous other activities throughout the day. Having worked with the Park and Recreation Department and City officials the past eight years with the park transformation, they asked us to continue to participate at the fairgrounds. This will increase the traffic tremendously and establish a good rapport with the fairgrounds for the future.

The point I'm trying to make here is that working with city officials, parks and recreation people, etc. can lead to mutually beneficial agreements to present horseshoe pitching to the public. It can take years to develop this relationship though? Don't become deterred when you come to a closed door. There are others who will listen to you; all it takes is tenacity and perseverance.

Which new member recruiting technique has worked for your charter?



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REGIONAL DIRECTORS REPORT *by Allen Baptist*

George St. Pierre, New England's Regional Director, has resigned after many great years on the job. He has been replaced by Leo Michaud. Ernie Swann, Arizona Regional Director, has also resigned. Dale Boss has replaced Ernie.

I have a new mailing address, phone number and email. My mailing address is: P.O. Box 327, Gypsum, CO 81637. My new phone number is: (970)524-7400. Email is nhpa1st@aol.com

From the Mail Bag

Ed Quigley - New Jersey Regional Director reports that September 25, 2003 marked the 70th anniversary of the first NJSHPA State Championship Tournament. The association was still in knee pants when young Bill Kolb started a life long membership in 1938. To celebrate the anniversary, Kolb [14 time NJ State Champion] on 9/07/03 at age 89, won class B with a 5/0 record and a high game of 50%. Other notable events during 2003 included; Joe McCrink's extraordinary pitching in the World Tournament to win 2nd place in the Men's Championship. His overall ringer average of 80.3% included high games of 94% and 90% and a streak of 14 consecutive wins. Bud Murphy won Class R-1 with a 13/0 record. McCrink also won his 14th State Championship. Al Birchler with Ed Quigley won the Doubles Championship. CABLEVISION showed the one-day singles championships on a local station for a period of two weeks. Andy Waisempacher was inducted into the NJSHPA Hall of Fame. Chet Smolenski received the Sportsmanship award and the MacIntyre family, Bill, Anne Marie and Justin received the Service Award for their outstanding contributions of time, effort and dedication to the NJSHPA for many years.

Monty Roberts - Kentucky Regional Director reports that the people of Somerset put in 12 courts with two bathrooms, concession stands and benches with a park setting. They even paved a big area for parking. Everything has lights.

Ron Kindrick - Alabama and Mississippi Regional Director reports that the Huntsville courts, which had hosted three World Tournaments, has been replaced with tennis courts by the city. Just seven miles from Huntsville, The Coon Hunters Horseshoe Club located in Lacey Springs has constructed 11 clay courts complete with a covered top and lights. Herb Fields, the Tournament Director, says they have 75 members. This will boost the total members for 2004 to over 100 for the first time in history.

Darle Esh - Pennsylvania Regional Director reports that East Penn has a pitcher of the year award. They give points for each class in each tournament of the year. Points are

given out for top three finishes. At the end of the year cash prizes are given to first, second and third place finishers.

Fred Briand - So California Regional Director reports that they have lost two clubs this year in Hemet and Torrance. Larry Eastman won the award for the most tournaments pitched with 59! The old record was 41. SCHPA players pitched 660,242 shoes for the year, which equate to 736 miles or 825.3 tons of iron for 40 feet, which equals hurling 275 elephants the length of a horseshoe pit. They pitched a total of 191,951 ringers which is a charter average of 29.07%.

Pat Bacus - Wyoming Regional Director reports that with the help of Ken Schneider the Rawlins tournament will be revived. The town of Lovell has ten new pits poured in Amory Park and two more will be poured as weather permits. Pat has scheduled two one-day tournaments for the last weekend in June to coincide with Lovell Days.

Bernie VanLerberg - Kansas Regional Director reports that Kansas has added a new club to the list of sanctioned tournament hosts at Iola. Topeka has all new courts and facilities and hosted the State Tournament in 2003 and will be hosting it in 2004. With the opening of the Ringer 5 indoor courts in Bonner Springs there will be more opportunities for winter pitching. Earl and Monica Vaughan, owners of the Ringer 5 courts have also started a sanctioned league. The first sanctioned tournament was held January 24th and 25th, and another one in February. Bonner Springs is contemplating adding more outdoor courts to the 12 they have in South Park. Atchison has scheduled a sanctioned tournament this year after a two-year lay off. Belleville has added a two-day event that should prove very successful. Belleville is also planning to build a few more courts to handle more pitchers.

Ward Lutz - Minnesota Regional Director reports that the MGSHPA is continuing its support of the Make-A-Wish program. This year they are supporting the wish of Randella, a four-year-old child who lives in Isanti, MN. In 2002 Randella was diagnosed with a brain tumor. Her wish is to visit all of the Princesses at Disney World in Florida. For more info please contact Ward.

Clint Bryson - North and South Dakota Regional Director reports that Gene Ewing headed up a project in Spearfish to remove clay from three of the existing courts so people can pitch anytime without working the courts. Hankinson ND held a fun indoor tournament in October with good participation. Also an indoor tournament was held at one of the local Casinos, and the Casinos are asking to be more involved in horseshoes.

RULES *by Bonnie Seibold*

Proposed By-law Changes To Be Voted On At The 2004 NHPA Convention

1. Article III, Section 3

Add the following sentence.

"One dollar (\$1.00) from adult membership dues shall be directed to support the NHPA Hall of Fame."

Reason: For the last 2 years we have been voting on this at convention and it has been approved to direct one dollar per adult member to go to support the NHPA Hall of Fame.

2. Article V, Section 3, a

Change to read "The NHPA Secretary-Treasurer shall receive \$15,000 plus" etc, etc, etc.

Reason: This amount has not been changed since 1992 for the Secretary/Treasurer and the President.

3. Article V, Section 3, e

Change 10% to 12%

Reason: To bring Newsline editor allowance back close to what it used to be.

4. Article XII, Section 2

Now reads - "Entry is restricted to players holding a current NHPA membership and meeting any imposed eligibility requirements, unless otherwise allowed by the Executive Council."

Change to read - "Entry is restricted to players holding a current NHPA membership card, unless otherwise allowed by the NHPA Council under Article XI."

Reason: The present wording may restrict first time pitchers for some tournaments. All NHPA Tournaments should be open to all members regardless of the number of tournaments they have pitched in. This change would not affect State Championships. Those are covered under Article VII, Section 10.

5. Article XII, Section 4, c

Now reads - "c. Elders"

Change to read - "c. Elder Men"

Reason: Elder Men only have one option as to what division they play in. Women have open women, seniors and elders. They do not change their pitching distance as they are already at a shorter distance.

6. Article XII, Section 4, c

Now reads - "Elders - At least 70 years old prior to the day the tournament starts with no maximum age. The Elders Division shall be short distance pitchers, and may include any age man with a verified physical handicap that prevents pitching the full distance. Once a male member declares himself an Elder short distance pitcher by completing a 100 shoe qualifying round and one tournament, that member shall remain a short distance for that membership year."

Change to read - "Elders - Must be at least 70 years of age before the end of the year they wish to declare themselves a short distance pitcher. Once a member declares himself a short distance pitcher, (See Article XII, Section 3, a.) they must remain a short distance pitcher for that membership year. This division includes any male pitcher with a verified physical handicap that prevents them from pitching the full distance, provided an NHPA Medical Exemption form has been completed and approved by the State Charter."

7. Article XII, Section 4, c

Now reads - "c. Elders - At least 70 years old prior to the day the tournament starts with no maximum age. The Elders Division shall be short distance pitchers, and may include any age man with a verified physical handicap that prevents pitching the full distance. Once a male member declares himself an Elder short distance pitcher by completing a 100 shoe qualifying round and one tournament, that member shall remain a short distance for that membership year."

Change to read - "c. Elders - at least 70 years old prior to the day the tournament starts with no maximum age. The Elders Division shall all be short distance pitchers. Once a male member declares himself an Elder short distance pitcher by completing a 100 shoe qualifying round and one tournament, that member shall remain a short distance pitcher for that membership year."

8. Article XII, Section 4, g

Now reads - "g. Handicapped - no restrictions"

Change to read - "g. Physically Impaired - This division shall include any male pitcher with a verified physical handicap that prevents them from pitching the full distance, provided an NHPA Medical Exemption form has been completed and approved by the State Charter."

Reason: Just separating the Elders (70+) and the physically impaired and making them two divisions.



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2004 NHPA WORLD TOURNAMENT

When will I pitch?

This is the most asked question this time of year and the hardest to answer. Because we never know how many entries we will get in each division, we cannot set in stone the exact times or sometimes even the week that someone may pitch.

However, I can give you some general numbers for times based on past years and it is what we will try to go with as much as possible.

Tentative Pitching Times for the 2004 Pocatello World

Tournament.

Key word being tentative.

Tournaments dates are July 26th to August 7th.

Open Men up to 35% July 26th, 27th & 28th.

Open Men 35% to 55% July 29th, 30th & 31st

Open Men over 55% August 2nd, 3rd & 4th

Open Women up to 40% July 29th, 30th & 31st.

Open Women over 40% August 2nd, 3rd & 4th

Elders up to 35% July 29th, 30th & 31st.

Elders over 35% August 2nd, 3rd & 4th.

Sr. Men all August 2nd, 3rd & 4th.

Sr. Women. Provided at least 48 enter this division they will be split the same as the Open Women.

Juniors. We have had many requests to put the Junior Championships in the 2nd week of the tournament. But this will have to be based on court availability and number of entries. If we can do this, the Junior division will also have to be split between the last 3 days of the 1st week and the 1st 3 days of the 2nd week. Where that split will be is just too hard to call before all the entries come in.

Please remember that the above times are just a guess on my part. I will do the best I can to hold to these times, **but they are not guaranteed.**

On a related matter, I have been doing some checking on Charter memberships and comparing them to those that are listed in NatStats as having pitched in 2003. Because we now have a completed NHPA membership database and the NatStats database, the two can be compared fairly easy. In the first week of January 2004 I pulled the complete NatStats database from our NHPA Web Site. Because NatStats is a 12-month pitching record everyone listed in NatStats with a pitching record should also be listed on the final membership reports or should be new members with a 2004 card. At this time I have not yet checked every Charter. But of the ones I have checked, the ones that did not have a non-member listed in NatStats are few and far between.

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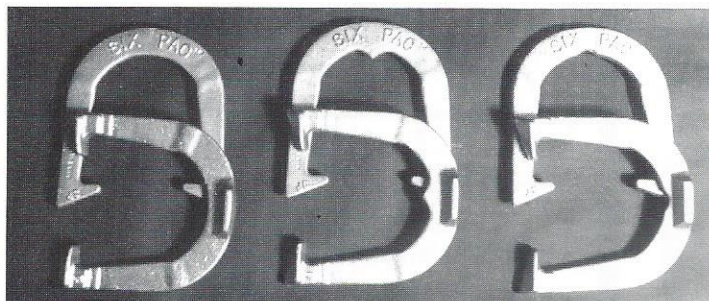
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I am finding many non-members listed in NatStats and many reasons why. A list of those non-members is sent to the Charter Secretaries to confirm my finds and to explain how they were missed. In most cases it goes back to the Tournament Director just not checking that all entries into their tournament have a current card. I have found as many as seven non-members for one Charter and a non-member that pitched in three tournaments without a current card. The Charter Secretaries have been very helpful in going after those non-members for back dues. But they cannot do it alone. Every Tournament Director also needs to do their part to insure all entries are in fact NHPA members. Because most Tournament Directors are now using NatStats to seed their tournaments it should be pointed out that not everyone one listed in NatStats is a current member.

Let me explain why. If you are holding a tournament in June of this year the records you use from NatStats go back to June of 2003. Therefore, they may have been a member in 2003 but may not yet be a 2004 member.

Because of this finding at the 2004 World Tournament all entrants will be required to show their current NHPA membership card. If they can't, a twenty-dollar fine will be charged and held until that entrant can prove their membership.

I hope to see many of you in Pocatello for the World Tournament.

Dick Hansen
NHPA Secretary/Treasurer

WORLD TOURNAMENT **PRIZE LIST 2004**

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4	\$1,240.00	\$1,240.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$270.00	\$270.00	\$270.00	4	\$110.00	\$120.00	\$130.00
5	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$230.00	\$230.00	\$230.00	5	\$100.00	\$110.00	\$120.00
6	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	6		\$100.00	\$110.00
7	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$350.00	\$350.00	\$180.00			7			\$100.00
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Totals	\$16,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$6,500.00	\$6,500.00	\$2,810.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00		\$860.00	\$980.00	\$1,110.00
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Registration Fees:
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ENTRY FORM
National Horseshoe Pitchers Association
World Horseshoe Pitching Championships
July 26th to August 7th 2004
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Entry Deadline May 20th, 2004

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You may enter at anytime prior to MAY 20th. All averages used will be the average on record in NATSTATS/CANSTATS on MAY 20th, 2004

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 25th 2004. 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 2004 calendar year.
Note # 1. A minimum of 48 must enter this division or it will be canceled and all entrants will be placed in the Open Women.
Note # 2. The Junior 9 and under is for juniors under the age of 10. This division will be **CLASS PLAY ONLY**.

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. Or you can check your average on the NHPA Web Page at www.horseshoepitching.com
The pitching schedule will be finalized by **June 3rd** and will be mailed to the address you have listed above.

The NHPA Hall of Fame Banquet will be held August 1st 2004. Please sign up for this event prior to July 26th 2004. Look for a registration form in the pitching schedule. **DON'T MISS OUT.**

Things have changed with the New Year; Paul has stepped up to become our president and there have been changes in duties among the executive council and committee people. What that means is now I will be keeping you all informed of what is happening with the website, thus taking some of the burdens off of Paul, who will now be even busier than before.

I would like to encourage all of you that are on the internet to send me any suggestions you may have for the website and of course if you have criticisms, we want to know about those as well so we can make this "Your Source for Information" about our great sport. Send your comments and suggestions to Webmaster@horseshoepitching.com.

Want to see and print out your entire tournament and league results for the past year?

The latest innovation to be added to the NHPA website is the ability to search and retrieve complete individual NATSTAT records, which lists every sanctioned event that you have entered in the past 12 months.

This new feature will let you search by NHPA number or by name. Click on 'Individual Search' under NATSTATS in the main menu.

Please be advised that this is an extremely large database and it does take a little bit of time to load the search onto your computer, usually less than one minute for a 56K modem.

NOTE: We invite each Charter or Association to add a link to this feature to your own website for the convenience of your membership.

It is our plan to update this database weekly at the present time.

We are excited about this new feature and expect it to be used by both individuals and tournament directors alike to help answer questions as to how the average was obtained.

We have discussed previously our new message board and have had many comments both pro and con.

First - if you are an AOL user, DO NOT attempt to use the board within AOL. Open up Internet Explorer, Netscape, or some other browser. The board will not function properly if you open it up in AOL.

Second - We ask that you create a user name

and password to participate on this board. Signing up is rather simple - fill out the form on the register page and hit submit. Don't forget to fill out your profile so we know who you are. This is certainly not a mandatory thing and you may post messages as a guest if you wish to do so.

Within this issue of Newline you will find an entry form for the 2004 World Tournament. If you would like to keep your Newline intact, there is a form available on the website that you can print to fill out and send in.



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SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

April 2004

3rd - 4th

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Kurt Whaley, 245 N. Meier St., Spearfish, SD 57783
(605) 717-3760, whaley@rushmore.net

3rd

Cypress Sawmill Festival MDA Horseshoe Tournament, Kemper Williams Park, Patterson, La. April 3. This is a charity fund raising event for MDA. Entry fee \$15.00 Adults, \$5.00 Juniors. Special Cypress Sawmill T Shirts to the top 3 finishers in each class. Pre register by April 1. Camping at the park, 985-395-2298. For Tournament Information, contact Al Dodson, 985-385-1909, Kevin Dore', 985-395-7327, or Tim Gilmore, 985-395-5062

23rd - 25th

37th Annual Carolina Dogwood Festival Horseshoe Tournament, Jack H. Springer Horseshoe Courts at Lakewood Park, Statesville, North Carolina. \$7,500.00 in Cash Prizes & Trophies. Pre-Registration (Required) By March 1, 2004. Tournament is limited to first 240 Entries! Send \$25 Entry Fee To: Carolina Dogwood Horseshoe Tournament, Statesville Recreation & Parks Dept., P.O. Box 1111, Statesville, NC 28687-1111. Print an entry form, from the coming events at: www.horseshoepitching.com. Tournament Director: Paul Stewart, (704)528-0398 nhpapaul@bellsouth.net Statesville Recreation & Parks (704)878-3429

May 2004

1st

Jerry Crochet Memorial Horseshoe Tournament, Kemper Williams Park, Patterson, La. May 1. This is a charity fund raising event for NHPF. Entry fee \$15.00 Adults, \$5.00 Juniors. Special Bayou Horseshoe Pitchers Association T Shirts to the top 3 finishers in each class. Pre register by April 28. Camping at the park, 985-395-2298. For Tournament Information, contact Al Dodson, 985-385-1909, Kevin Dore', 985-395-7327, or Tim Gilmore, 985-395-5062

1st & 2nd

Beloit Encore Tournament, Entry Fee: \$20.00 Entry Deadline: April 15th. 24 indoor courts at Telfer Park, 2101 Cranston Road, Beloit, WI. Send entries to: Earl Paulson, 7105 So. County Rd. H, Beloit, WI 53511 Phone: (608)879-2304

14th, 15th, 16th

19th Annual Team World 2004, Edwards Activity & Sports Center, Beloit, WI (please note the corrected dates). 4-Person Teams representing your state or providence. No more than 2 short distance pitchers per team roster. Adults Only. Entry Fee: \$200.00 per team. Entry Deadline: April 15th. Mail entries to: Earl Paulson, 7105 So. County Rd. H, Beloit, WI 53511 Phone: (608)879-2304 or email: BHC.TW@WEKZ.NET

21st - 23rd

Team World, Edwards Activity & Sports Center, Beloit, WI. 4-Person Team, no more than 2 short distance pitchers per team roster. Entry Fee: \$200.00 per team. Entry Deadline: April 15th. Mail entries to: Earl Paulson, 7105 So. County Rd. H, Beloit, WI 53511 Phone: (608)879-2304 email: bhc.tw@wekz.net

29th & 30th

16th Annual Elmer Hohl Ringer Classic, K-W Khaki Club, Wellesley, Ontario, Canada. Minimum added prize money is \$2,000. Entry fee for Men and Women Championship class is \$30.00 Canadian. Entry fee for all other classes \$20.00 Canadian. Junior entry fee is no charge. If not enough for a junior class they will be put in the classes by average. Camping is

onsite at the rates of \$15.00 with electricity and \$10.00 without electricity. Mail entry fees made payable to the Khaki Club Tournament Fund and a self addressed envelope along with division and NHPA or CHPA number before the May 1 2004 deadline to: Wayne Becker, 308-41 Pioneer Drive, Kitchener Ontario Canada, N2P1H2. Phone (519)896-6670 E-mail wbecker@sgci.com

29th - 31st

23rd Annual Head-Of-The-Mon-River Horseshoe Tournament, Fairmont, WV. Send entry fee; \$25.00 Adults / \$5.00 Juniors to: Tri-County Horseshoe Club, Inc., 1133 Sunset Dr., Fairmont, WV 26554 (304) 366-3819 or (304) 282-4062. Indicate: men-women-juniors-seniors-elders division and if 30' or 40'. Also send NHPA Card No. Director: Ms. Beverly Tiano. All players required to pay scorekeeper \$1 per game. 100% of all entry fees is returned by purse. The purse should exceed \$5,000 for cash prizes and other awards and will be divided equally among all classes.

July 2004

10th & 11th

16th Annual Open Horseshoe Tournament, Danville, IL, July 10th & 11th. Douglas Park just off I-74 at Bowman Avenue exit. Cash payback \$6,540 based on 136 entries. Entry fee: \$25.00 (includes scorekeeping fees). Free monogrammed towel to all entrants. Make checks payable to: Danville Horseshoe Club Entry Deadline: June 25th. Send entries to: Leo Bratland, 41 Country Club Drive, Danville, IL 61832. Phone: (217) 443-5818 or email: bratld@aol.com

24th

7th Atchafalaya Classic Horseshoe Tournament, Kemper Williams Park, Patterson, La. July 24. This is a charity fund raising event for Cancer Patient, Dana Herman. Entry fee \$20.00 Adults, \$5.00 Juniors. Special Bayou Horseshoe Pitchers Association T Shirts to the top 3 finishers in each class. Pre register by July 21. Camping at the park, 985-395-2298. For Tournament Information, contact Al Dodson, 985-385-1909, Kevin Dore', 985-395-7327, or Tim Gilmore, 985-395-5062

August 2004

14th

6th Annual Cystic Fibrosis Fundraiser, Kemper Williams Park, Patterson, La. August 14. Entry Fee \$20.00 Adults, \$5.00 Juniors. Everyone will receive a Cystic Fibrosis T Shirt. Special BHPA T Shirts to the top 3 finishers in each bracket. Pre-register by August 11. Camping at the park, 985-395-2298. For Tournament Information, contact Al Dodson, 985-385-1909, Kevin Dore', 985-395-7327, or Tim Gilmore, 985-395-5062.

16th

Iowa State Fair Midwest Senior Classic, Iowa State Fairgrounds, Des Moines, IA NHPA Sanctioned. Must be 60 years of age by August 16th. Over \$1,800 spent on awards each year. Entry deadline: July 31st (No late entries please) Registration Fee: \$15, Championship \$20. (Will be notified when you play) Send entry fee of \$15 to Dave Sidles 2816 Pinehurst Circle, Ames, IA 50014. Phone (515) 233-1394 Email: dsidles@mchsi.com Include with fee name, complete mailing address, phone number, gender, NHPA card number and pitching distance. Tournament Director, Danny Sease phone: (515) 285-0131 or email: ddsease@msn.com ask for flyer of all events.

September 2004

4th

Louisiana Shrimp & Petroleum Festival MDA Horseshoe Tournament Fundraiser, Kemper Williams Park, Patterson, La. September 4. This is a charity fund raising event for MDA. Entry fee \$20.00, Adults, \$5.00 Juniors. Payout to top 3 adult finishers in each class. Pre register by September 1. Camping at the park, 985-395-2298. For Tournament Information, contact Al Dodson, 985-385-1909, Kevin Dore', 985-395-7327, or Tim Gilmore, 985-395-5062

HALL OF FAME

by Earl and Vicki Winston

The suggestion has come our way that it would be good to once again list the names that currently appear on the NHPA Hall of Fame ballot. This has been done in the past, but it has been awhile since that list appeared. As the committee might be rearranging the categories before the next ballot is cast, we thought it best to list the nominees in alphabetical order, as their placing on the ballot could change. The jury is still out on that one at this writing. There are currently 34 names that will appear on the 2004 ballot, but more nominations may be on the way. They have until March 31, 2004 to reach us and be eligible for the voting this year. The nominees we have at this writing are:

George Anderson	Floyd Hix
Harold Anthony	Genevieve Lavett
Francis Asher	Len Lipovsky
G. A. Berger	Loren May
Curt Bestul	Robert (Bob) May
Charles Bobbitt	Sylvianne Moisan
Frank Bohun	Spud Napier
Tom Brownell	Perl Pepple
Frank Crumm	Ronnie Simmons
Alex Cummings	Ralph Simon
Alvin Dahlene	Ralph Spencer
Harvey Elmerston	Paul Stewart
Raymond Frye	Don Weaver
Jesse Gonzales	William Weis
Will Gullickson	Francis White
Henry Haynes	Sam White
Clayton C. "Boo" Henson	Woody Wilson

Many of these names have been on the ballot for a long time. Starting with the 2004 ballot, we are going to watch the voting and when a candidate does not receive any support from the committee for three successive years, their names will be removed from the ballot. They can be re-nominated in the future, if someone wishes to do so. If there are persons who originally nominated someone on this list and you would like to upgrade the nomination, we would welcome any additional information that you feel might be useful to the committee. Our address appears in the front of this magazine.

And now, on with the Hall of Fame Quiz. Again, we are indebted to those who have worked so diligently to preserve the history of our sport in books, statistical records and on Web sites.

1. This pitcher won the Beaver State championship a total of 15 times. He played in nine world tournaments and finished as high as third place three times. His world tournament career ringer average for nine events is 79.4%.
2. He won two world championships in 13 tries. He became an eleven-time Buckeye State Champ. His

world tournament career ringer average is 80.5% in those 13 events.

3. A dedicated promoter, organizer and above average pitcher, he was often seen dressed as a clown and entertaining world tournament spectators. He also paid visits to hospitals. He and his wife served as NHPA Game Related Items distributors for many years.
4. A director of early world tournaments, he was thought to be one of the best in the business because of his creativity and ability to bring the tournaments to exciting conclusions. He served as the second NHPA Secretary.
5. Known for his publicity work and his service to both the NHPA and Massachusetts Hall of Fame Committees, he was also a very good horseshoe pitcher. A piano instructor by trade, he spent many years serving as the NHPA Hall of Fame Committee Chairman.
6. He kept the followers of our sport informed for several years with his monthly publication, The Horseshoe Pitcher. Publication ended when he passed away in February 1956.
7. Her world tournament career extended over five decades in the championship division and she won a total of

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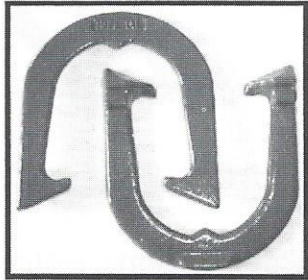
ten world titles during the first four of those decades. She and Fran Carnahan were the first women to achieve eleven consecutive "four deads" in world tournament play.

8. He served as NHPA President from 1967-1973 and for many years after was lending a hand at world tournaments and other events wherever he was needed. Many will remember his color-coded results charts before computer printouts made stat information more readily available.
9. A three-time world champion, he also won the Buckeye state title 14 times. In his 27 years of world tournament competition, he pitched an amazing career ringer average of 80%.
10. He served as NHPA Secretary/Treasurer for six years. When sponsorship was withdrawn from the 1973


world tournament, he mortgaged his home to fund the event and construct raised platforms enabling the participants to pitch on level courts at the indoor facility. The tournament went on as scheduled thanks to the sacrifice made by this man and his family.

11. This talented left-handed pitcher won three world titles in 12 tries. He has also won 22 state titles in the North Star or Gopher State. His world tournament career ringer average is 75.8% for those 12 events.
12. He served the NHPA as auditor for several years. Coming from the Keystone State, which boasted a wealth of talented pitchers in his day, he still won four state titles. In his 13 world tournament appearances he has a career ringer average of 75.6% and was known for what some folks would term "a wrong foot" delivery.

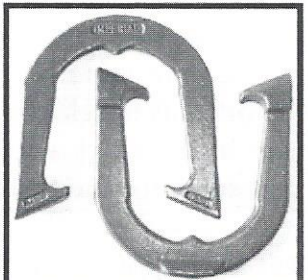
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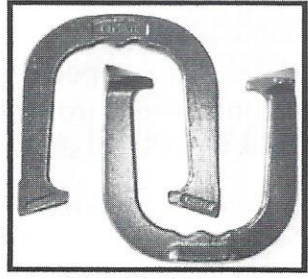
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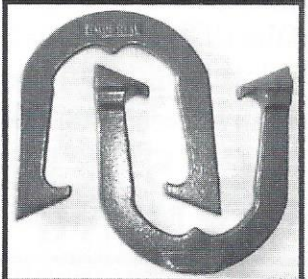


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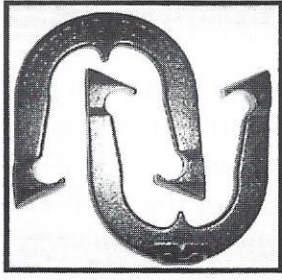
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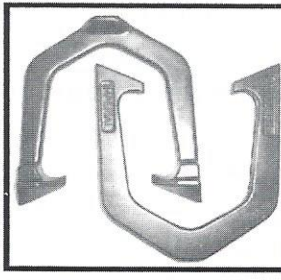
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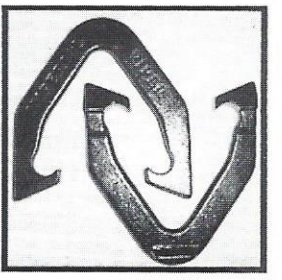
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Horseshoe Pitching Facts and Folklore



By Bob Dunn

Writer's note: This is the initial article in a new series that will focus on the yesteryear. Most will be fact and some will be folklore, but all will be about the beginning and the path the sport we enjoy so much today has taken. Our sport has a very interesting history, some of which we all know about, some of it we have forgotten about and hopefully I can present some of what we haven't known about.

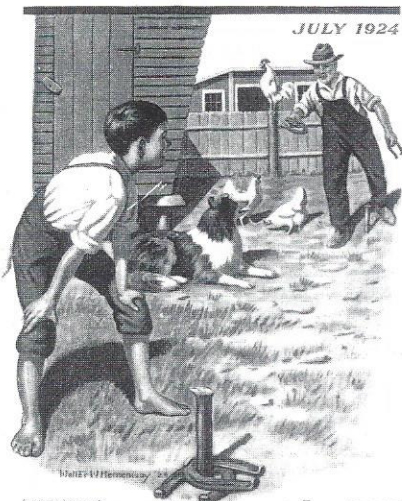
Barnyard Golf

Before our sport took on an organized concept, horseshoe pitching was most often referred to as Barnyard Golf. Horseshoe pitching may have been thought to be more active in the rural areas as the shoes off the horse were actually used before the standard or official shoes was developed. But horseshoe pitching was active in the cities also, but the slang nickname stuck, and stuck for the first two decades of the sport.

By 1919, the sport had become widespread and considerable promotion efforts were being made to develop leagues and state associations. World Tournaments were being held each year. In fact, for most of the 1920's there was a winter World Tournament held in Florida and a summer World tournament held

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in a northern city. The NHPA had formed in 1921 and certainly the name Barnyard Golf didn't project the image the national leaders would prefer. But the newspaper media commonly used the nickname when covering tournament events. Not always, but commonly.

This was a period in time when horseshoe pitching had considerable coverage in the newspaper sport pages. Every newspaper across the country, whether a major paper or the home town local newspaper, covered horseshoe pitching events, leagues or tournaments, right along with baseball and all other sports of the day.

The name Barnyard Golf can be traced back to the originator, a sports writer from Akron - Harry 'Doc' Kerr.

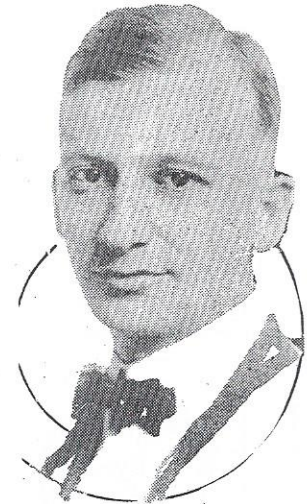
Kerr was a well-known sports writer, whose career extended into the late 1950's with the same Akron Newspaper.

The Barnyard Golf nickname phased out in the mid-1930s but a recent reminder just popped up on the E-bay auction, as a 1925 tournament trophy was up for sale. The engraving was "1925 Tucson Barnyard Golf Championship."

Folklore Jottings

Many of you may have a favorite old story that would go well in this series. Feel welcome to send it in. Write it up and mail to: Bob Dunn, 6417 Georgia Ave No., Brooklyn Park, MN 55428.

There is the story of how the term 'Four Dead' came about. There very well could be more than one or two versions; we'll print them all. If you have been told of the 'Four Dead' origin, or if you were around when the name was coined, please share that with us. Write it up and mail it in.



HARRY 'DOC' KERR
Former Sporting Editor of the Akron Press. The Man who
dubbed Horseshoe Pitching
BARN YARD GOLF

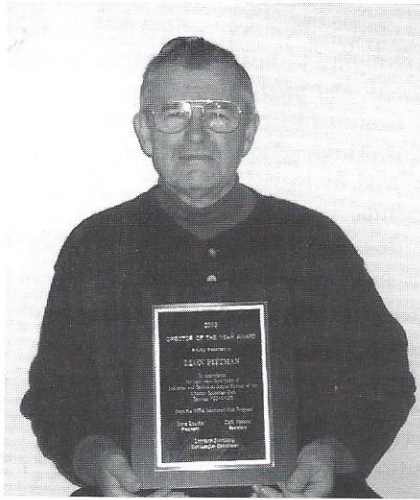
2003 LEAGUE DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

Leon Pittman, Kilkenny Horseshoe Club, Minnesota

Leon Pittman has been the league director of the Kilkenny HSC since it began in 1981. In May of 1983 the club sanctioned with the NHPA. The club is the fourth oldest National Sanctioned club in Minnesota.

Leon is 71 years of age and is a retired farmer and seed processor. He will be married to his wife, Kathryn, 50 years this May. Together they have six children, eleven grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

He spends most of his time by keeping busy as treasurer with Township Government; a job he has held for the past twenty-three years. When not doing that, he has been



for thirty-seven years and still is a Boy Scout Leader. Leon is a Korean War veteran and has been Adjutant of the American Legion Post 380 for the last forty-one years.

Hobbies that Leon enjoys doing are, gardening, hunting, computers, and of course pitching horseshoes. His best personal achievement in horseshoes, was pitching a 64% ringer game and a 110 points in a 50-shoe count-all game.

Leon greatly deserves the award as League Director of the Year.

Congratulations

DEANSVILLE DOES IT FOR KIDS IN WISCONSIN

By Sharon Derr

The newly sanctioned Deansville Horseshoe Club recently completed their first six-week horseshoe clinic for juniors. Coaches, Sharon Derr, Kerry Morris, Dobie Bultman and Kevin Brekke were joined by eight area juniors from ages 9 to 16 who had very little or no horseshoes experience at all.

The clinic was a success, as it appears that we will have at least eight juniors returning in January to begin a league.

The coaches would like to take a moment to thank the area pitchers who stopped by to offer their help and/or support including Rudy Van Fleet, Ron Maffet, Al Huizenga, Betty Dennison, Tim Gerhman and Bill Spahn.

The newly formed Deansville Junior League includes Lindsey M, Sarah G., Michael B., T-Jay T., Ben H., Ryan W., Paige A., and James B.



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THE TOLL OF TIME

Roland K. Johnson

Nebraska

Roland (Rolly) Johnson, 80, of Neligh, Nebraska died September 19, 2003. Rolly was an avid horseshoe pitcher belonging to both the National Association and the state of Nebraska. He pitched in local, state and world tournaments as well as taught the sport of horseshoe pitching to interested youth in the local high school physical education classes each year. Rolly is survived by his wife Ruby of Neligh, a daughter, two sons and many friends.

Bob Jones

Niagara Falls, NY

Robert E. Jones a.k.a. "Buffalo Bob" Jones passed away on December 18, 2003 at the age of 61. He suffered a massive stroke, slipped into a coma and died within a week. His family was by his side at the time of his peaceful death. In horseshoes, Bob was a tremendous competitor. He started competing in NHPA events in the mid '80's. He started in the lower ranks, pitching around 35% in the beginning and slowly working his way up to a solid 75% average and a New York State Title in 2002. He was ranked 11th on the NHPA NatStat rankings in the Men's Division at the time of his death. He had recently retired and was beginning to attend many more tournaments in the eastern region, gaining recognition and friends all over the eastern United States. He liked to call himself, "the beast from the east!"

His accomplishments as a player were very impressive but were nothing in comparison to his accomplishments as a friend to everyone he encountered through horseshoes. Our horseshoe club in Erie, PA is like a family and through his frequent visits to just about every tournament we've held in the last fifteen years (nearly a hundred), Bob had become a major part of that family. We held our first tournament without Bob at the end of January and it was not the same. He is surely missed by all. There are, undoubtedly, a number of horseshoe clubs in the New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio tri-state area that could say the same about Bob.

Many horseshoe players from New York and Pennsylvania attended Bob's funeral. Robert F. White spoke in praise of Bob on behalf of the Erie Horseshoe Club and the NHPA during the evening service and one of his best friends, the legendary Art Tyson, gave a very emotional tribute to Bob at his funeral service the next morning. Most of us knew Bob as a horseshoe player only. In attending his funeral, it was inspiring to meet his wonderful family and to find out the little things we never knew about Bob Jones. He was born in Butler County, Alabama in 1942. His family, who knew him as "Rob", relocated to Niagara Falls, NY in 1947. He joined the US Army in the early '60's and was stationed in France, as a paratrooper. He worked for Union Carbide from 1965 to 1979. Then he went to

Olin Chemicals until his retirement in 2002. All his life he was a very faithful Christian and if you were to meet any of his children, you'd be able to see that he must have been a pretty great dad too. His other hobbies were woodcarving and fishing, but horseshoe pitching was his big thing and we're all definitely lucky that he took to horseshoes-- what a friend we'd have missed out on if he hadn't!

--Bobby White, Erie Horseshoe Club

John W. Clippinger

Pennsylvania

John W. Clippinger, 74, of Mechanicsburg, PA passed away October 2, 2003. Born April 2, 1929 near Carlisle, PA, he was the son of John M. and Blanche Fulton Clippinger. He was the widower of Gladys Rice Clippinger. A retired employee of AMP, Inc., Mr. Clippinger was a part-time employee of Enterprise Car Rental in Mechanicsburg.


He was a member of the West Shore Baptist Church in Camp Hill and it's Friendship Sunday School class; and a member and treasurer of the Holiday Ramblers Camping Club. He and his late wife enjoyed camping and traveled all over the United States. John was a devoted family man who also enjoyed hunting and fishing.

An avid horseshoe player, he was a member of the NHPA, member and past president of the York County Horseshoe League, member and past president of the New Cumberland, PA Horseshoe Club, a member and past vice-president of the Eastern PA Horseshoe Club. He was a member of the York County Horseshoe Hall of Fame.


He is survived by two sons, Thomas and Larry; a daughter, Sally J. Leeper; two brothers, a sister and six grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a brother. His uncle was John Fulton.

He is now in his eternal home with Jesus Christ his Savior, joining all his family and friends who have preceded him to Heaven.

Submitted by Darle Esh, PA Regional Director



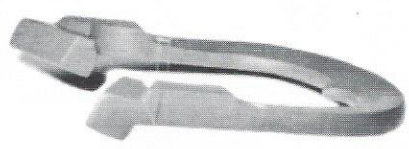
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DR. JACK FREEMAN

by Mary Bastian

June 16, 1934-December 28, 2003

Dr. Jack Freeman died of a massive heart attack at St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville, TN on December 28, 2003. He was 69 years old. He is survived by his wife, Laura, and three sons, Jack, Jr., Adam, and Burton.

Freeman, one of thirteen children, was born and raised in Danville, Kentucky. After graduation from Danville High School, he attended the University of Kentucky on a full football scholarship and played under Coach Bear Bryant. While there he won the Samuel L. Huey Award given to the senior athlete in all sports with the highest scholastic standing. Contributions made during "Jack Freeman Day" in his hometown paid for his medical education at Vanderbilt University Medical School. After graduation, internship and residency, he was Board Certified in Pathology in 1965.

He served as a captain in the US Army during the Vietnam conflict while stationed near Tokyo, Japan. He practiced pathology and was owner of Nashville Pathology Associates until his retirement on September 1, 1998.

He played in his first sanctioned horseshoe tournament in 1988 and his first World Tournament in 1989 in Spearfish, South Dakota. He won the Men's Class B in 1990 at the World Tournament in Perry, Georgia. He pitched the Imperial Original horseshoe, one and a quarter turn. He spent a good portion of his time in building up interest in horseshoe pitching in Tennessee with the help of players from surrounding states. He bought land near Joelton, Tennessee and began the construction of an indoor

facility and later a covered outdoor facility for pitching horseshoes.

He received the NHPA Achievement Award for Outstanding Contributions to the Game of Horseshoes in 1993. In 1996 he was the recipient of the Arch Stokes Memorial Award for having done the most during the preceding three to five years to promote, foster and build the sport of horseshoes. That same year (1996) he gave the 58 acres of land adjacent to the Jack Freeman Courts to the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association for the purpose of building a permanent home for the NHPA Hall of Fame and Museum. The National Horseshoe Pitchers Foundation was established as a result of this gift. He served as a director for the Foundation.

He served as president of the Tennessee Horseshoe Pitchers Association from January 1, 1995 to September 6, 2003. In 1999 he was inducted into the Tennessee Horseshoe Pitchers Association Hall of Fame.

He had spent the last several months cataloging the NHPA Hall of Fame memorabilia and designing and constructing display elements for use in displaying plaques, photos and horseshoes in the NHPA Hall of Fame and Museum located on the Joelton property.

Jack was a person with a vision who saw a need and spent time and money fulfilling that need. His contributions to the THPA, the NHPA and the NHPF were many and generous. The horseshoe pitching world has lost a good friend and a generous and enthusiastic supporter.

JACK FREEMAN AN AMERICAN HERO!

by Dean Schmitz, Mount Clemens, Michigan

The death of Jack Freeman really bothers me. It's like the loss of your father in a sense. He was the Father of the NHPF and probably the biggest contributor of land, buildings, money and time ever in the history of the NHPA. Wouldn't we all like to contribute to horseshoe pitching as much as he did?

One of his dreams was to have every member in the NHPA receive the NHPA Horseshoe Pitchers Newline magazine as part of the NHPA dues. Delegates at the national meetings have voted it down at least once. Maybe as the last gesture of thanks to Mr. Freeman, the NHPA will find a way to make this wish of his come true.

Jack Freeman is an American Hero! He's one of 13 children and a graduate of the University of Kentucky where he

played football under Paul "Bear" Bryant. After graduation he went on to medical school and became a Pathologist in Nashville, TN. He served time in the military and lucky for us loved to pitch horseshoes. That love gave us the use of over 60 acres of land, buildings with courts, the NHPF, and the Horseshoe Pitchers Hall of Fame.

He did get to see the beginnings of the NHPA Horseshoe Pitchers Hall of Fame. However, more NHPF contributions are needed. We need more people introduced to pitching and recruited to join the NHPA. More indoor horseshoe pitching arenas need to be built. An inexpensive pit material must be invented for indoor pitching that has blue clay characteristics and is dustless. And, for all of us, we need to love the sport of horseshoe pitching as much as Jack Freeman!

LOOKING BACK by Heidi Poppe

One chilly, Wisconsin day I was sitting in my living room with my dog, Louie, looking back into my childhood and remembering my days as a junior pitcher. I wondered what was it about horseshoes that got me to set my childhood goals every year to be better, to be the Junior Girls World Champion, to be the best I can in this game? And why is it that I'm still involved in this sport so many years later? Well, I'll tell you. It came to me now that I am a little older and maybe a little wiser that I was lucky; lucky to be able to share a love of this game with my family. These days not many families are so lucky to share in a sport that everyone can enjoy and play at their own level. They don't have the time to spend quality time with their family. That's what I appreciate the most – the time my parents took out of their busy lives to give us something we could do together.

We spent hours in the car every summer going to tournaments everywhere in the State of Wisconsin. And once a year, we would take that two-week vacation to the World Horseshoe Tournament. At one point, my parents bought a conversion van and the real reason I think they bought it was because they were tired of listening to us three girls arguing in the back seat of the station wagon while traveling! I couldn't even tell you which World Tournament was my favorite because it wasn't about winning the Junior Girls Championship in 1994 that made it something I looked forward to, it was the people I met along the way. There were the junior girls pitchers that I looked up to when I was only a 2% pitcher and watching my sister, Renee, and then there were the girls that I pitched against that grew with me and we became good friends, writing all the time to each other, waiting until the next World Tournament so we had two weeks to catch up in person and just hang out. I even met my husband while pitching horseshoes! Then there was my "extended" families, I had big sisters and brothers, moms and dads; lots of people looking out for me and giving me support during my pitching career. All of these people mean a lot to me, and a lot of them I still see to today. That means something and it's all because of horseshoes that I am so lucky to have so many friends.

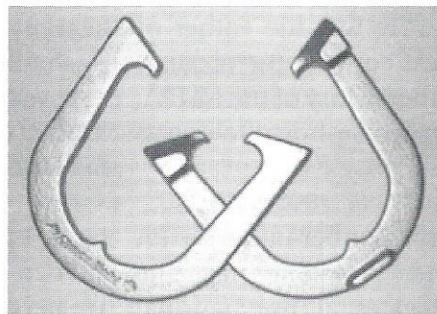
So, to me, horseshoes as a junior, was about spending time with my family and friends. If I had only been involved in school sports, I wouldn't have had the opportunity to travel around the states to tournaments and meet other friends from other areas of the United States and

Canada. I learned so much just from that, meeting people from other areas, teaching me first hand the different lifestyles people lived. You can learn that in school, but it never really means anything unless you experience it. Has that helped me now that I'm older and I have a professional career? Oh yes, I work with people from all different areas of the United States and I have learned the personalities and lifestyles I am dealing with from horseshoes. It gave me knowledge of how I need to handle my work with others and what to expect from them. Not everyone works the same!

Horseshoes has given me a lot more than I could even explain here! I have a very close relationship with my family to this day. When I hear people my age today explain their family lifestyle with their children, I really feel lucky that my parents spent time with us when we were younger. It does make a difference! I hope more parents get involved with their kids and start pitching horseshoes together!

This may be my last article as the Junior Promotions Director, so this was my article to say "THANKS" to everyone who I have met along the way! I hope to meet more new pitchers in years to come and I hope that horseshoes can give other families the same thing it has given me over the years!

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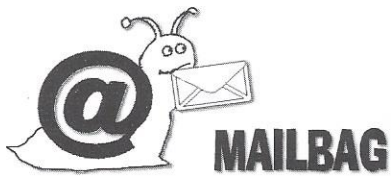
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	Robert Logan, Kouts, IN	30 ft. 79.0%
2003 - 15 th Annual Open	Alan Francis, Defiance, OH	40ft 83.2%
	Amy Francis, Defiance, OH	30ft 84.2%



MAILBAG

I was moved by the cover photo of the Jan/ Feb 2004 Newsline issue. Perhaps the year and site were unknown, as these weren't cited on page three. I was born and raised in Salt Lake City, Utah, and therefore am quite sure the site was the Murray courts in the '50's, and with these esteemed players, it had to be the World's. I played in the Juniors from 1955 to 1959 (winning in 1958), and therefore had seen most of these guys play.

Using Gary Kline's fine book, "The Official History of the World Tournament 1909 - 1980", I believe that the only year all these players appeared was 1951.

Bill Backer

P.S. I think an interesting article for the Newsline would be conjecture and interviews (including "old timers") as to why there are only two or three legitimate 80% Men's players these days, while in the 50's and 60's the World's had as many as 13 (1964)! Gentlemen like Walter Ray Williams, Mark Seibold, Jim Knisley, Gary Roberts, Don Titcomb, Art Tyson, Merlin Potts, Jesse Gonzales, Barry Chappelle, Jerry Black, Ronnie Simmons, and others probably have opinions about this!

BOB SCULLY

Inducted Into Louisiana State Horseshoe Pitchers Association Hall Of Fame *by Al Dodson*

Robert Scully, Sr., better known in local circles as "Captain Bob", was inducted into the LSHPA Hall of Fame on Sunday, September 28, 2003. The induction ceremony was held at Kemper Williams Park in Patterson, Louisiana, at the State Singles Championship Tournament. Bob became the fourteenth member of this elite group and the first from the local Bayou Horseshoe Pitchers Association.

Bob was instrumental in forming the first sanctioned horseshoe club in his area of the state, "The LA 70 Ringers", which was based at his local establishment, Scully's Seafood Restaurant, in 1992. He still maintains two sanctioned courts behind the restaurant today in which friends and customers alike, can throw a few shoes if they have the urge. Of course, Bob is always available to offer free advice, if the need arises, and it usually does. The two time State Singles and one time State Doubles Champion loves to discuss and demonstrate the finer points of the game he so enjoys and his restaurant reflects it, as the walls are lined with local horseshoe memorabilia.

SANCTIONED JUNIOR LEAGUE 2003 TOP TEN LIST

NATIONAL DIVISION-MIXED BOY/GIRLS

High Point Average

Pos	Name	Club/State	Pts.
1	Mark Strand	Sheyenne Valley Jr. Lg., ND	81.33
2	Justin Smith	Try County, OH	79.88
3	Ryan Hoverson	Sheyenne Valley Jr. Lg., ND	75.80
4	Abby Hogan	Try County, OH	73.47
5	Damon Barnhart	Try County, OH	70.93
6	Anthony Gentry	Denver Metro, CO	64.86
7	Cole Grimm	Try County, OH	64.23
8	Alan Nichols	Arkansas Valley, AK	64.20
9	Kayla Larson	Alexandria, MN	62.13
10	J.J. Stanton	Liberty, MO	61.43

High Point Game

1	Justin Smith	Try County, OH	116
2	Abby Hogan	Try County, OH	111
3	Mark Strand	Sheyenne Valley Jr. Lg., ND	103
4	Damon Barnhart	Try County, OH	98
5	Ryan Hoverson	Sheyenne Valley Jr. Lg., ND	98
6	Anthony Gentry	Denver Metro, CO	97
7	Cole Grimm	Try County, OH	90
8	Dan Beasley	Troy, OH	89
9	Michael Bowman	Lions Park, MO	83
10	Alan Nichols	Arkansas Valley, AK	83

High Point over Average

1	Abby Hogan	Try County, OH	40.72
2	Justin Smith	Try County, OH	38.22
3	Damon Barnhart	Try County, OH	34.04
4	Anthony Gentry	Denver Metro, CO	32.14

5	Austin Sarbaugh	Try County, OH	29.58
6	Dan Beasley	Troy, OH	27.89
7	William Hall 111	Enid Area Jr. Lg., OK	27.83
8	John Stines	Try County, OH	26.92
9	Cory Bishop	Lions Park, MO	26.76
10	Nicholas Hinman	Syracuse Pioneer Jr. Lg., NY	26.50

High Ringer Average

1	Nick Preston	Sodbuster, VT	65.63
2	Keith Boone	Balboa Park, CA	56.93
3	Cody Preston	Sodbuster, VT	48.46
4	Mark Strand	Sheyenne Valley Jr. Lg., ND	41.11
5	Tim Knudson	Brooklyn Park, MN	40.59
6	Ryan Radamacher	Greater Lansing, MI	40.29
7	Justin Smith	Try County, OH	37.70
8	Ryan Hoverson	Sheyenne Valley Jr. Lg., ND	37.20
9	Abby Hogan	Try County, OH	35.88
10	Joshua Carr	Greater Lansing, MI	35.18

JUNIOR BOY'S DIVISION

High Ringer Average

1	Nick Preston	Sodbuster, VT	65.63
2	Keith Boone	Balboa Park, CA	56.93
3	Cody Preston	Sodbuster, VT	48.46
4	Tim Knudson	Brooklyn Park Jr. Lg., MN	41.88
5	Mark Strand	Sheyenne Valley Jr. Lg., ND	41.11
6	Ryan Radamacher	Greater Lansing, MI	40.29
7	Justin Smith	Try County, OH	37.70
8	Ryan Hoverson	Sheyenne Valley Jr. Lg., ND	37.20
9	Joshua Carr	Greater Lansing, MI	35.18
10	Erik Harjo	Tenn-us-see, OK	34.11

SANCTIONED JUNIOR LEAGUE 2003 TOP TEN LIST

High Ringer Game

1	Nick Preston	Sodbuster, VT	92.00
2	Keith Boone	Balboa Park, CA	85.00
3	Cody Preston	Sodbuster, VT	74.00
4	Tim Knudson	Brooklyn Park Jr. Lg., MN	73.33
5	Justin Smith	Try County, OH	68.00
6	Joshua Carr	Greater Lansing, MI	65.00
7	Ryan Radamacher	Greater Lansing, MI	62.50
8	Ryan Hoverson	Sheyenne Valley Jr. Lg., ND	60.00
9	Erik Harjo	Tenn-us-see, OK	58.00
10	Mark Strand	Sheyenne Valley Jr. Lg., ND	58.00

5	Crystal Sinde	Whiting, IN	21.41
6	Alexandra Hagen	Sheyenne Valley Jr. Lg., ND	18.44
7	Heather Drozd	Pawnee Ringers, NE	18.76
8	Angie Karow	Montgomery, MN	16.33
9	Sara Besaw	Wolf River, WI	15.87
10	Kimberly Mabry	Frederick, MD	13.81

High Ringer over Average

1	Travis Scott	Try County, OH	33.88
2	Justin Smith	Try County, OH	31.67
3	Tim Knudson	Brooklyn Park Jr. Lg., MN	31.45
4	Joshua Carr	Greater Lansing, MI	29.82
5	Damon Barnhart	Try County, OH	28.73
6	Keith Boone	Balboa Park, CA	28.07
7	Nick Preston	Sodbuster, VT	26.37
8	Cody Preston	Sodbuster, VT	25.54
9	Tim Wagler	Classic City, IN	25.33
10	Anthony Gentry	Denver Metro, CO	23.96

High Ringer Game

1	Abby Hogan	Try County, OH	60.00
2	Melissa Bigelow	Sodbuster, VT	48.00
3	Kayla Larson	Alexandria, MN	44.00
4	Colette Cave	Tri-County, MN	40.00
5	Angie Karow	Montgomery, MN	40.00
6	Crystal Sinde	Whiting, IN	40.00
7	Heather Drozd	Pawnee Ringers, NE	34.00
8	Sara Besaw	Wolf River, WI	30.00
9	Alexandra Hagen	Sheyenne Valley Jr. Lg., ND	30.00
10	Nicole Hickethier	Close Doesn't Count Jr. Lg., WI	30.00

JUNIOR GIRL'S DIVISION

High Ringer Average

1	Abby Hogan	Try County, OH	35.88
2	Melissa Bigelow	Sodbuster, VT	32.28
3	Colette Cave	Tri-County, MN	30.83
4	Kayla Larson	Alexandria, MN	27.83

High Ringer over Average

1	Abby Hogan	Try County, OH	29.00
2	Angie Karow	Montgomery, MN	23.67
3	Crysta Sinde	Whiting, IN	18.59
4	Nicole Hickethier	Close Doesn't Count Jr. Lg., WI	16.51
5	Heather Drozd	Pawnee Ringers, NE	16.24
6	Kayla Larson	Alexandria, MN	16.17
7	Melissa Bigelow	Sodbuster, VT	15.72
8	Erika Bowman	Lions Park, MO	15.06
9	Sara Besaw	Wolf River, WI	14.13
10	Cassandra Hagen	Sheyenne Valley Jr. Lg., ND	13.67

SANCTIONED ADULT LEAGUE 2003 TOP TEN LIST

ADULT NATIONAL DIVISION-MIXED DISTANCE

High Point Average

Pos	Name	Club/State	Pts.
1	Elden Sarbaugh	Try County, OH	124.97
2	Joan Elmore	Flips & Turns, TN	124.52
3	Jim Walters	Troy, OH	123.35
4	Connie Filley	Red River Valley, ND	121.36
5	Paul LaCrosse	Denver Metro, CO	118.70
6	Don Wild	Denver Metro, CO	115.53
7	Bev Nathe	Upsala, MN	115.31
8	Dee Powell	Denver Metro, CO	113.41
9	Paul Burhitt	Arledge's Indoor, OH	113.12
10	Loree Meier	Independence, MO	113.00

High Ringer Average

1	Joan Elmore	Flips & Turns, TN	79.81
2	Elden Sarbaugh	Try County, OH	78.68
3	Gert Wilcziek	Eau Claire, WI	78.47
4	Bev Nathe	Tri-County, MN	76.11
5	Jim Walters	Troy, OH	75.97
6	Connie Filley	Red River Valley, ND	74.73
7	Paul LaCrosse	Denver Metro, CO	72.91
8	Paul Burhitt	Arledge's Indoor, OH	68.67
9	Don Wild	Denver Metro, CO	68.37
10	Dee Powell	Denver Metro, CO	68.00

High Point Game

1	Elden Sarbaugh	Try County, OH	140
2	Jim Walters	Troy, OH	139
3	Connie Filley	Red River Valley, ND	138
4	Joan Elmore	Flips & Turns, TN	137
5	Dee Powell	Denver Metro, CO	137
6	Jenny Morris	Marion, IN	137
7	Archie Matheny	North Central AK, AK	136
8	Paul LaCrosse	Denver Metro, CO	135
9	Bev Nathe	Upsala, MN	135
10	Paul Burhitt	Arledge's Indoor, OH	134

MEN'S DIVISION-40 ft. DISTANCE

High Ringer Average

1	Jim Walters	Troy, OH	75.97
2	Paul LaCrosse	Denver Metro, CO	72.91
3	Stan Griggs	Kansas City Heart of America, MO	67.47
4	Jerry Wtkle	Mountaineer, WV	66.12
5	Allen Withrow	Mountaineer, WV	65.22
6	Bob Lautenschleger	Bradenton, FL	65.00
7	Don Brown	Darke County, OH	64.13
8	Gary Roberts	Arledge's Indoor, OH	63.28
9	Mark Mauthe	Platteville, WI	63.19
10	Rich Pintor	Denver Metro, CO	62.38

High Points Over Average

1	Jim Kinney Jr.	Lions Park, MO	40.66
2	Walter Danielson	Moline, IL	38.64
3	Rick Smith	Try County, OH	38.23
4	Ron Price	Moline, IL	37.25
5	Joe Morgan	Bradenton, FL	36.15
6	Edward Bell	Moline, IL	35.70
7	Jack Baldwin	Arledge's Indoor, OH	35.28
8	Gary Arledge	Arledge's Indoor, OH	35.13
9	Joleene Elich	Boulder, CO	34.93
10	Larry Riley	Denver Metro, CO	34.61

High Ringer Game

1	Jim Walters	Troy, OH	90.00
2	Paul LaCrosse	Denver Metro, CO	86.00
3	Dave Hughes	Brooklyn Park, MN	82.50
4	Roger Comerio	Eau Claire, WI	82.00
5	Stan Griggs	Kansas City Heart of America, MO	82.00
6	Don Brown	Darke County, OH	80.00
7	Robert Garber, Jr.	Darke County, OH	80.00
8	Ted McClure	Classic City, IN	80.00
9	Rich Pintor	Denver Metro, CO	80.00
10	Dave Schorbahn	Eau Claire, WI	80.00
11	Wayne Totten	Eau Claire, WI	80.00

SANCTIONED ADULT LEAGUE 2003 TOP TEN LIST

High Ringer Over Average

1	Ernie Eicher	Classic City, IN	39.29
2	Ted McClure	Classic City, IN	36.25
3	Paul Gaylord	Classic City, IN	35.64
4	Bill Chakarian	Gate City Clangers, NH	34.48
5	Jim Lemish	Classic City, IN	34.27
6	Leonard Nelson	Shreveport, LA	33.13
7	Ken Frame	Sandbar Sandbaggers, WI	32.89
8	John Key	Frederick, MD	31.14
9	Jim Kinney, Jr.	Lions Park, MO	30.80
10	Jim Howard	Tri-County, MN	30.53

MEN'S DIVISION-30 ft. DISTANCE

High Ringer Average

1	Elden Sarbaugh	Try County, OH	78.68
2	Paul Burhitt	Arledge's Indoor, OH	68.67
3	Don Wild	Denver Metro, CO	68.37
4	Dee Powell	Denver Metro, CO	68.00
5	Archie Matheny	North Central AK, AK	67.71
6	Marv Meyer	Rochester, MN	66.89
7	Jack Algiers	Wolf River, WI	63.87
8	Lloyd Wolf	Tri-County, MN	63.83
9	Milton Vinson	Stone Mountain, GA	63.14
10	Curly Seibold	Marion, IN	61.73

High Ringer Game

1	Elden Sarbaugh	Try County, OH	90.00
2	(tie) Archie Matheny	North Central AK, AK	88.00
2	(tie) Dee Powell	Denver Metro, CO	88.00
3	Paul Burhitt	Arledge's Indoor, OH	86.00
4	Marv Meyer	Rochester, MN	84.00
5	Don Wild	Denver Metro, CO	84.00
6	Nick DiRaimo	Liberty, MO	82.00
7	Jack Algiers	Wolf River, WI	80.00

8	Tony Paiz	Denver Metro, CO	80.00
9	Ottie Reno	Arledge's Indoor, OH	80.00
10	Lloyd Wolf	Tri-County, MN	80.00

High Ringer over Average

1	Sam Barbuto	Syracuse Pioneer, NY	30.88
2	Larry Riley	Denver Metro, CO	30.73
3	Joe Pillion	Darke County, OH	29.65
4	Joe Morgan	Bradenton, FL	29.10
5	Richard Tolzman	Kilkenny, MN	29.10
6	William Nourse	Moline, IL	28.73
7	Russell Dockstader	AVF Downers Grove, IL	28.00
8	Edward Bell	Moline, IL	27.33
9	Al Kostelac	Kansas City Heart of America, MO	27.06
10	John Loyd	Independence, MO	27.05

WOMEN'S DIVISION

High Ringer Average

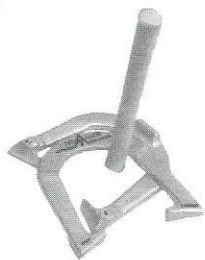
1	Joan Elmore	Flips & Turns, TN	79.81
2	Gert Wilcziek	Eau Claire, WI	78.47
3	Bev Nathe	Tri-County, MN	76.11
4	Connie Filley	Red River Valley, ND	74.73
5	Loree Meier	Independence, MO	66.71
6	Mary Vogel	Liberty, MO	64.79
7	Deborah Michaud	Loon Pond, MA	63.96
8	Jenny Morris	Marion, IN	63.60
9	Jen Speakman	Boulder, CO	63.56
10	Debbie Brown	Sodbuster, VT	61.33

High Ringer Game

1	(tie) Joan Elmore	Flips & Turns, TN	92.00
1	(tie) Gert Wilcziek	Eau Claire, WI	92.00
2	(tie) Connie Filley	Red River Valley, ND	90.00
2	(tie) Jenny Morris	Marion, IN	90.00
3	Bev Nathe	Upsala, MN	88.00
4	Mary Green	Try County, OH	86.00
5	Deborah Michaud	Loon Pond, MA	80.00
6	Jen Speakman	Boulder, CO	80.00
7	Debbie Brown	Sodbuster, VT	78.00
8	Pat Stumph	Tri-County, MN	78.00
9	Mary Vogel	Liberty, MO	78.00

High Ringer Over Average

1	Rita Mitchell	Shreveport, LA	39.36
2	Thelma DeCosta	Loon Pond, MA	33.95
3	Linda Fletcher	Shreveport, LA	29.33
4	Diana Bottiger	Balboa Park, CA	28.75
5	Elizabeth Furner	Liberty, MO	28.06
6	Joleene Elich	Boulder, CO	28.04
7	Mary Green	Try County, OH	27.20
8	Marlene Knudtson	Brooklyn Park, MN	27.19
9	Marlene Cooper	Classic City, IN	27.09
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