

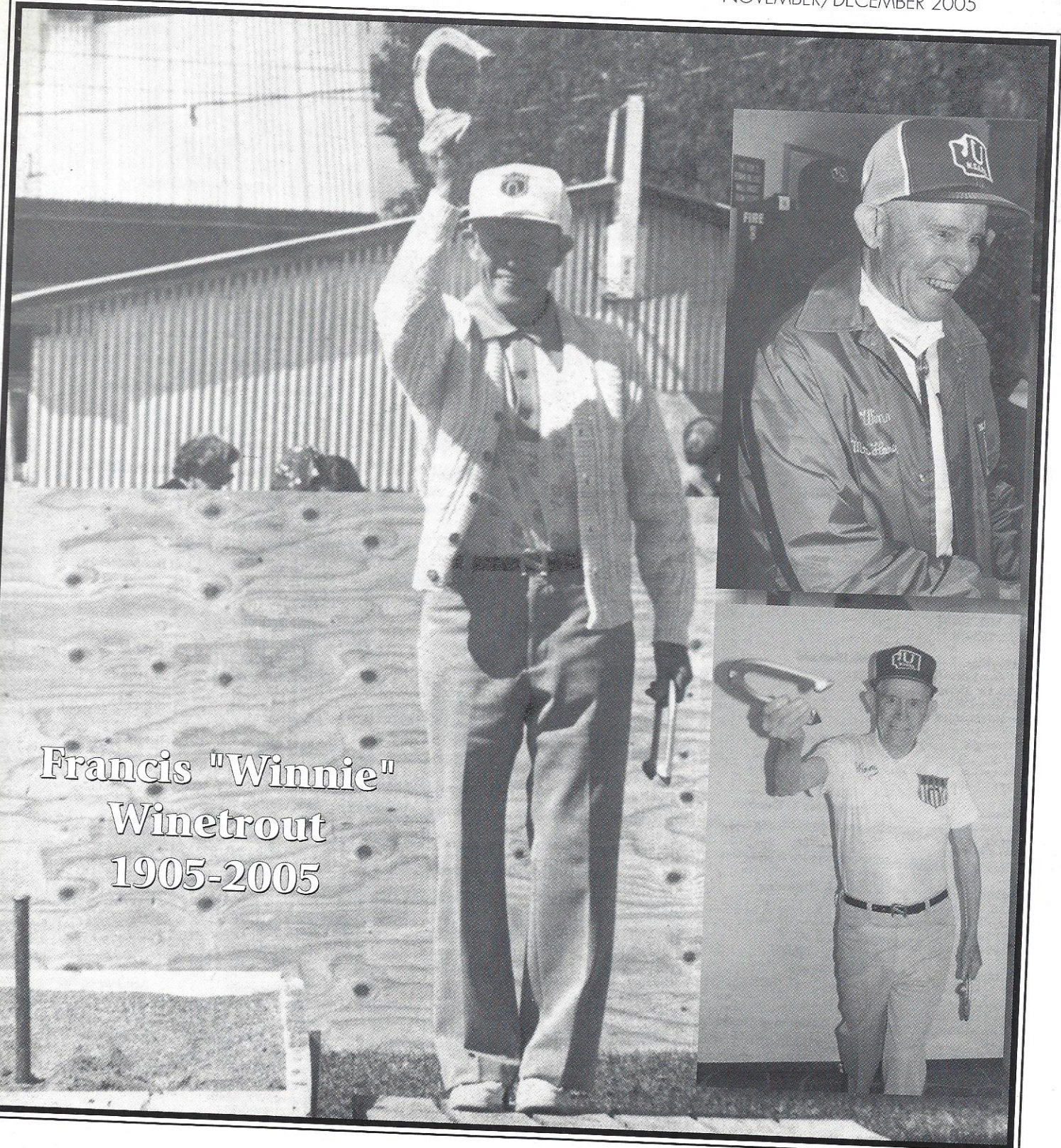


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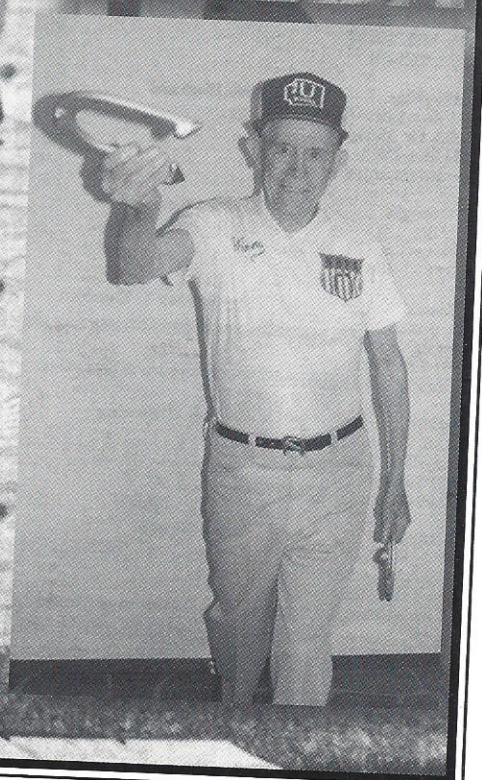
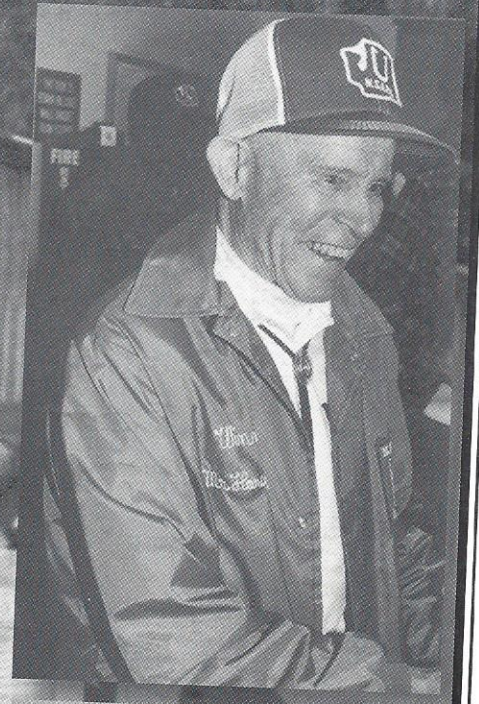
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We say a fond farewell to Francis "Winnie" Winetrou - whose love in life was horseshoe pitching.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Paul Stewart

The 2005 horseshoe pitching season has ended for most of us with the exception of a few of our charters in the extreme South that pitch over the winter. I hope all of you had a good year in horseshoes and that all of you are looking forward to having an even better year in horseshoes next year.

As for my year in horseshoes, it was a good year and a very busy year. I traveled to tournaments almost every weekend to visit or pitch. My pitching was not good for most of the year with the exception that I got lucky at our state tournament where my opponents didn't have their good games against me and I wound up as state champion.

In the September/October issue of Newslite I failed to tell you the results of the 2005 election of Officers. My apologies go to Dan Sanders of Ohio for failing to put this in my last article. We welcome Dan as our new NHPA 1st Vice

President. Dan will be replacing Allen Baptist of Colorado as the 1st Vice President. We welcome Dan to the NHPA Council and look forward to working with him in the future. I am sure he will do a good job in this position. We also would like to say thanks to Allen Baptist for his years of service to the Council and the NHPA. Allen has done a great job as an NHPA Officer and as Chairman of the Regional Directors. We will all miss Allen and we wish him the best in his endeavors and hope to see him at many horseshoe tournaments in the future.

The other three officers that were up for re-election, 5th VP Stuart Sipma, 3rd VP Lorraine Sternberg and President, Paul Stewart, were unopposed and elected by acclamation. They will be serving in their positions for the next two years.

Happy Holiday Season! I look forward to seeing all of you at the courts in 2006.

QUESTIONS MOST OFTEN ASKED

By Bonnie Seibold

How Do They Figure Averages On Natstats?

All pitchers' averages are based on the three highest NHPA sanctioned events pitched in the preceding 12 months or the last ten sanctioned events during the same period, whichever occurs first. An average is figured by dividing the total number of ringers by the total number of shoes pitched for those three events.

Any member without a current average at their pitching distance shall pitch a minimum of 100 consecutive shoes to establish their tournament seeding percentage. This qualifying must be scored in writing and witnessed by two NHPA members no more than 30 days prior to entering a tournament. Alternately, an NHPA sanctioned club or league average may be used if it covers 400 or more shoes.

Members with less than three sanctioned events shall use the combined average of the one or two sanctioned events they have pitched.

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SANCTIONED CLUB/LEAGUE REPORT by Lorraine Sternberg

Where has the summer gone? Once again it is in the past and we are into the fall season. Two deadlines to remember this time of the year are the Junior Scholarships that need to be in by the 15th of November and the Top Ten forms that need to be submitted by December 1st.

By the time that this issue comes out the National Sanctioned League Tournament will be over. We didn't get the number of entries that I had hoped for. Only thirteen teams entered. With the little interest shown, it may be the last one we have. This will have to be decided upon at the winter council meeting. I will write on the results of the tournament in the next issue.

Those clubs that are receiving consecutive years of sanction awards for 2005 are:

Five year plaques: North Central Arkansas, AK; Bakersfield Shoe Crew League, CA; Stroh Horseshoe Palace, IN; Ringers of Rice, MN; East Horseshoe League, MN; Lake of the Ozarks, MO; Nebraska City, NE and Skippy's Tuesday, WI.

Ten year plaques: Rocky Mountain Ringers, CO; Ahahola, HI; Chesapeake Ranch Estates, MD; First Capital Women's League, MO; LaChance, NH; Middlesex, NJ; Woodward

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Fifteen year plaque: Stone Mountain, GA.

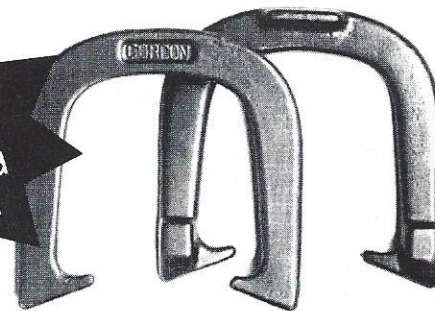
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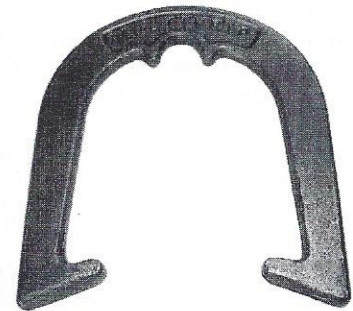
Congratulations and thank you to all these clubs and leagues for their continuous support of the National Sanctioned Club/League Program.

For those of you who will be starting up your winter leagues, please be sure that all of your pitchers have their 2006 membership cards. All pitchers on a sanctioned league must be NHPA members. If you allow non-sanctioned pitchers on your league, the NHPA insurance will not cover you. This is not fair to those that are sanctioned.

With that, I would like to wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season!



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by Dave Loucks

As I prepare this article for the Editor's October 2nd deadline, I'm happy to report some positive news with regard to the Hall of Fame re-locating to St. Charles County, Missouri. Word has been received that the County Executive has approved the ground lease agreement, drawn up and several times modified, by the attorneys representing both sides. The matter will now go on the agenda for a mid-October meeting of the County Council. While final approval is not assured, it is expected. Once that happens, the County says it will schedule a press release and groundbreaking ceremony.

The NHPF has been issuing grants for court construction and upgrading for the past three years. While the Directors have authorized approving up to eight \$1,000 grants a year, only 15 applications have been received in three years. There are two review and decision times a year, each March and September. This year only two grants were issued, both during the March review period. No applications were received for September. Applications can be printed from the NHPA website.

It has been my practice to include with each of these articles, the names of the contributors who sent a check as well as an updated list showing the level of contributions from each state. This issue may be the last for that to occur on a regular basis though you, the members, may have the final say in that decision. It has been expressed to me by a few individuals and a couple of NHPA Officers that printing the names and State Ranking list may in fact be detrimental to receiving contributions. Apparently some people who have not contributed, feel the State Ranking List is an attempt to shame them into contributing. To me, motivate is a better word and some charters report that the list actually does motivate them to climb higher on the list. How the listing of individuals who have contributed can be a negative is puzzling to me. Anyone who does not want their name mentioned, and there have been some, merely ask to be listed as anonymous.

I would like to hear from some of you who have been contributing and some who haven't. Actually, I hope to hear from many of you. Do you feel that the listing of names should be stopped? Do you feel the State Rankings List is actually hurting contributions? You can send

your opinions to me at P.O. Box 1628, Penn Valley, CA 95946 or email nhpf-dave@nccn.com. Your comments will be kept confidential, though I will use your opinions to determine whether the majority feels the current listings should continue, be modified or stopped.

For this, the last 2005 Newsline issue, I am showing the names of all recent contributors and the State Ranking List. If reader comments should favor a change in the future, contributors who wish their name to be listed can always request it. With the Hall of Fame move and construction in Missouri now looking imminent, it becomes very important that we receive a steady flow of contributions. Remember, the NHPF works for you, the NHPA and the development of Horseshoe Pitching. Make it a point in 2006 to support our sport by sending your tax-deductible contribution to the NHPF at P.O. Box 1628, Penn Valley, CA 95946. Those that donate \$25 or more will receive an acknowledgement letter of thanks.

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39.	WY	5	5	\$332
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41.	AR	5	5	\$185
42.	VT	2	6	\$165
43.	HI	3	3	\$150
44.	UT	2	4	\$130
45.	AK	1	1	\$120
46.	NH	2	2	\$105
47.	ME	1	2	\$50
48.	DE	1	1	\$7
49.	MS	1	1	\$5

Horseshoe Pitching Facts and Folklore




By Bob Dym

Horseshoe Pitching Artwork

Here we have another view of a cartoon from the early 1930's with a character of Blair Nunamaker. Unlike the Harvard cartoon, this artwork does not poke fun at our sport, but it isn't all-factual either. Blair Nunamaker was indeed World Champion in 1929, and then is described as undefeated for the next three years. There were no World Tournaments in 1930 - 1932. The next World Tournament was in 1933.



One of finest cartoonists in our era was an NHPA member and skilled pitcher, John Yernberg. His fun and humorous work is found in several horseshoe pitching publications and he did other artwork as the two Christmas cards shown in this article. John was a native of Duluth, born June 15, 1913. John passed away earlier this year. He was Minnesota State Men's Champion in 1958. He served many years as a charter officer, club officer and also as a NHPA Regional Director.



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DOWN AND BACK IN THE JUNIOR DIVISION

By Bobby White, National Junior Promotions Director

Since this is the last issue of the year, I will just do a bit of a summary and reflection on what's happened in these first six months as your National Junior Promotions Director. First of all, I'd like to thank the officers and other directors of the NHPA and various state charters as well as other members whom I've received help and encouragement from recently. It's really great to see that there's a genuine interest in developing more junior player participation in horseshoe pitching on a national level.

School Pitching Programs (in Erie, PA area):

I decided to try this out on a local level to see where it goes... Fortunately, I've had a lot of help on this from Dan Kuchcinski who has taken it upon himself to go into local schools and promote horseshoe pitching all over Erie County. The demonstration program followed by instructional seminars has been successful and numerous schools are interested and plan on incorporating horseshoe pitching into their physical education classes. Dan has a number of new programs scheduled for the fall term of 2005 which I will report on after their completion. This is working and as soon as we can get a final court design and in production, we will then be able to expand to other areas... that's when we will need all of you to help!

Portable Court and light-weight shoes:

Of course, as soon as we got the idea to go into schools with this, the question became how do we do this when they mostly don't have any courts to pitch on? That is, by far, the biggest hold up in getting this sport into school. Well, this past winter we began designing a very portable clayless horseshoe court that we've used successfully in numerous demonstrations since about mid May of 2005. This court has already undergone numerous design changes and we've got further ideas that we'll be testing soon now that we're into the off-season.

In demonstrating at elementary schools, we found that a big problem was the weight of the shoe... even at twenty feet

it was still difficult for a lot of first timers to have any control over the pitch. Eventually enough "wild pitches" were thrown that we quickly realized this was something that needed attention as well. A new ultra-lightweight horseshoe by Thoroughbred, the GXL, is now in the works. It will weigh between 1³/₄ and 2 pounds (current prototype weighs 1 pound 12.8 ounces). This shoe will be a full-sized, NHPA sanctioned shoe (design based on the Glory Horseshoe), but will be considerably thinner than a typical shoe. These enhancements will make it possible for beginners to have success much more rapidly than when starting with full-weight shoes. They will be available for purchase by the time you read this article, so contact Thoroughbred for details. The nice thing about this shoe is that it doesn't just have to be for kids. It's quite durable and can be pitched against full-weight shoes in competition, so it is fine for kids or adults to use in sanctioned tournaments if they'd like.

Stewlie Shoes; Fund Raising for Juniors:

As you may be aware, there is virtually no budget for junior promotions in the NHPA; anything we do for juniors beyond the norm (which is everything we do!) has to come from funds or volunteer efforts outside of the NHPA's treasury. Sadly, there has never been much focus on developing junior pitching in this organization. Most all of the efforts and resources of the NHPA (in recent years) have gone towards the promotion of the annual World Horseshoe Pitching Tournament. It is a mammoth undertaking for the small group of people who pitch in and make it happen. This lack of attention to the junior program is not their fault. They have their hands completely full with just organizing and running that huge event. Juniors have always been an afterthought. Yes, all the officers would like to see more happening there; but with all their other duties, they don't have time to focus on it.

One man has publicly stepped up and decided to do something to help raise

funds for the NHPA Junior Players; Gene Burlingham, better known as "Burly" or "Da Prezz" of the Stewlies (the almost 800 member strong Paul Stewart Fan Club) has designed and developed a new Stewlie Horseshoe (called "A Stewlie Thing") that you can purchase, where \$5 of each purchase will go directly to the NHPA Juniors. In just a couple months, Burly has already raised about \$750 for the kids on his own. Buy this shoe and help the kids!

The Future:

In the short term, I'm going to do my best to stay on course with the development of the new indoor portable court system. I see this as the key to success in a national movement of getting kids exposed to horseshoes in school. This is the missing link at all levels and should also make it possible to increase exposure to adults in colleges and universities and other venues. Showing them an easy, simple, clean and portable version of this sport will be the key to rapid growth.

The long term plan is to take all of this national once we have success locally and are ready and able to offer this whole program across the country. This program will be what feeds new players to the NHPA clubs all over. The people (mostly kids) who start here and really like the game will be directed to their local club where they can learn advanced techniques and play on official tournament sanctioned courts. Of course, there will be many other issues and events to deal with along the way in keeping the current structure of junior participation in the NHPA alive. I'd like to see more juniors in the administration of the organization where juniors are concerned and I have a plan for that too. Of course, any feedback, suggestions or offers to help will be greatly appreciated. I'm also working on getting to know the junior promoters in each charter and will begin relying more on them for help as well. The more people I get to know in this, the more I can see that we need to be promoting this sport to kids as much as we can.

2006 WORLD TOURNAMENT UPDATE

by *Stu Sipma*

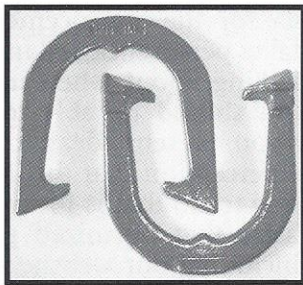
Gillette, Wyoming is hard at work getting ready for the 2006 World Tournament. The NHPA trailer has reached its home for another year. Since the 1996 World Tournament, Gillette has added over 100 new RV sites at the Cam-Plex and now have air conditioning in both buildings. After the 1996 world tournament, the maintenance crew from the Cam-Plex buried the clay for future use. They have assured me they still remember where it's buried and plan on using it for the 2006 World Tournament.

With the next two World Tournaments being awarded through 2008, I thought this part of my job would become easier. I am amazed at the number of sites showing an interest in bidding for the 2009 World Tournament. As

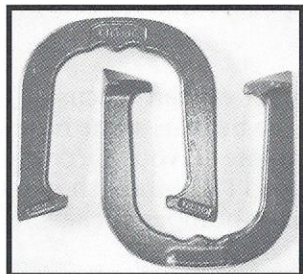
many of you know, St. George, Utah is actively pursuing winning the 2009 bid since they were not able to bid for the 2008. Other sites I have been in contact with include Spearfish, South Dakota; Cedar Rapids, Iowa; British Columbia, Canada; Appleton, Wisconsin and Birch Run, Michigan. I am really glad to see the interest pick up for hosting this event.

Dates to remember for upcoming world tournaments are as follows:

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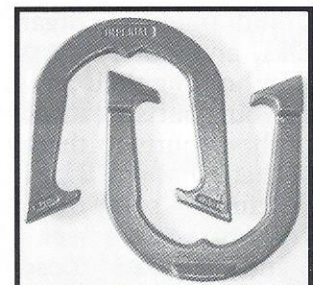
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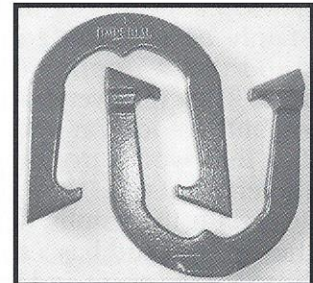
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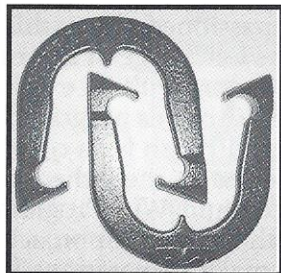
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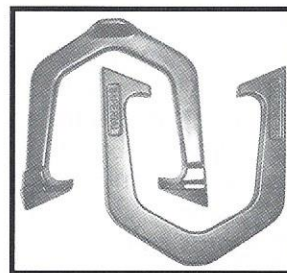
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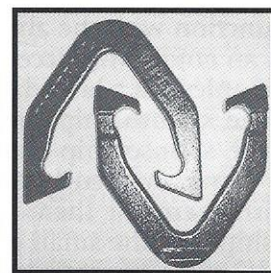
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PUBLICITY PROMOTION *by Casey Sluys*

Using Your Club

What do you think of a proposal that would increase the number of people participating in organized horseshoe pitching? Great huh? This is one idea that could accomplish that exact goal.

What if you used your club facility for the public? Invite them to use your courts for their next family reunion or company picnic. Then recruit a few NHPA members to provide equipment, guidance, instructions, rules or anything else that is needed for a successful outing. Local contact information should certainly be available, whether that is in the form of a business card or charter specific brochures you've created. Certainly you've made those, right? The NHPA Co-op Ad Program is still available for those of you who have not made them. Ah, but, I digress...

Solicit corporations, small businesses, local youth groups, churches, and fraternity organizations such as Eagles, Moose, Elks, and Rotary. Ask them if they would be interested in holding their annual company picnic in the park where your courts are located. If they agree, then offer your horseshoe courts to them for a group tournament. Explain to them that you'll be happy to conduct an event for them. Refurbish some of the trophies you've collected during your horseshoe career, have new plates engraved for them, and then hand those out as awards. Better yet, ask the company if they'd like to buy the trophies for the picnic. Of course you can't ask a youth group to buy their own awards; you would need to supply those. Either way, the participants have to have a goal to pitch for. It could certainly be something other than a trophy, BUT keep in mind that a trophy makes a lasting impression on a person. They may very well put it in a window sill somewhere and not look at it for a few years, but the idea and the fact they won a trophy pitching horseshoes will be a reminder every time they glance at it, dust it, move it, etc. Be certain the trophy depicts a figure or figurine pitching horseshoes and has a specific date on it. Be sure to take photos of the event and send a copy of the pictures to the person you made the arrangements with.

There is a nice banner on the website soliciting sponsorship for horseshoe pitching tournaments. This could work very well in conjunction with the above idea. Imagine if you were to host an enjoyable/successful tournament for one of these companies. At a later date when you approached them for some sponsorship they would most certainly entertain those sponsorship thoughts. Emphasize that during their company picnic you hosted the horseshoe-pitching tournament for them. When asking them for the sponsorship take the small photo album with you to reiterate what an enjoyable time was had.

Imagine if all 650 clubs in the NHPA were to do something like this? How many people we could reach? I'd say thousands every time we would hold an event like

this. Within a few years we could significantly raise our membership numbers.

Parks Departments

Reach out to your local Parks and Recreation Departments and ask them if horseshoe pits could be installed in the next upgrade of your local park. Tell them that detailed plans are available on our website for construction of one or multiple horseshoe courts. Send them to me for any questions you or your Regional Director cannot answer. Once they build them, post a flyer or two close by so that folks that use it are able to get information about your local club and league. A contact phone number is critically important and if they have enough interest to call you to inquire about your club, please give them the courtesy of a call back with all the details.

Many thanks to Chad Hyatt, Nevada, for the above ideas.

Magic Formula

There is no magic formula for the advancement and promotion of our sport. It takes persistence and initiative. You know what you are talking about when it comes to horseshoes, therefore you should be able to speak comfortably to whomever you present ideas to. We need to change the general perception that this is still a backyard game. The only way to do that is for each and every one of us to emphasize that organized pitching exists. We can do that by including our website address in each and every piece of correspondence you create for your club, particularly everything sent to the local press. If they publish the article and include the website address then we have a source of exposure that no one individual could do by themselves.

Certainly many great ideas have been discussed on our website and in past articles. To be sure, some have worked well for clubs, be sure to send me all your successful ideas. Simply send me a synopsis and I'll embellish it and make an article out of it. Yes, I have bumper stickers left, want some?

Pitch and Win

Don't forget about the Pitch and Win Program that is available. It is written up on the website and copies of it are available through the NHPA. Don Titcomb made an impassioned plea at this year's convention for all to please take advantage of this outstanding promotional tool. We ended up with an extensive list of names that will receive a DVD of this program. Those of you who were not there, but still wish for a copy of it, simply send your name and address to me either snail mail or email; be sure to say Pitch and Win Program in the text somewhere. NOW is the time to approach your fair board or fair manager to make preparations for the upcoming year to host the Pitch and Win Program.

From our house to yours have a great holiday season, Casey, Gail, Daniel and Travis

REGIONAL DIRECTORS REPORT

by Allen Baptist

I am sure that everyone knows by now that Dan Sanders from Ohio was elected as our new NHPA 1st Vice President. Dan, as 1st VP, will obtain the responsibility as Chairman of the Regional Directors. Dan officially takes office January 1, 2006. To make a smooth transition, Dan will be handling the 2006 Tournament Patches and Tournament Sanction Certificates. I will continue to take care of the 2005 patches and certificates. Regional Director reports will come to me until the end of the end of the year, so I may print them in the Newline. Any reports that I receive after my last column, I will forward to Dan. Please send Dan your 2006 tournament schedules. It has been great working with a top notch bunch of Regional Directors the past six years! I thank you all for your help and support.

New Regional Directors:

Ward Lutz, RD from Minnesota, has decided to step down after many years as Regional Director. Ward has done a great job and has been replaced by Minnesota President, Jerry LaBrosse. I was saddened to hear that Alaska RD, Pete Imhof, had died from cancer in May. He had been a great supporter of horseshoes in Alaska for many years. Pete has been replaced by Tom Bowers, who was Pete's ARD. Ken Fraser, RD from New York, has resigned and has been replaced by Bob Klock.

From the Mail Bag

Dale Boss - Arizona Regional Director reports that he has sanctioned four sets of courts named the Lake Havasu City Horseshoe courts. They are located at the Jack Hardi Park on Bunker Drive.

Darle Esh - Pennsylvania Regional Director reports that he has sanctioned two courts. Darle has sanctioned nine courts in Huntingdon, PA named the Stone Creek Valley Lions Horseshoe Courts, located on Cold Springs Road. There are nine clay courts complete with lights. This is a new club that was started this year and has already been hosting Sanctioned League play. The other courts are located in Mt. Pleasant, PA. The Mt. Pleasant Horseshoe Courts are inside courts with three clay pits. The club was established in 1964 and has 30 members currently.

Pat Wemhoff - Nebraska Regional director is sad to inform us of the death of young Bob Wysocki, who died between games at a fun Tournament in Revenna. Bob leaves behind his wife, Karla, and three young children.



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RULES REWRITE UPDATE

by Stu Sipma

In this Newsline is a "draft" of the Rules, Guidelines, and Specifications which is being published for all charter committees to comment on. The only section not included in this draft, which will be published on the web at a later date, is the "Glossary of Terms". The rules rewrite committee is asking each charter to appoint a committee to review this draft and provide comments. I would like all comments by January 1, 2006. This will give the rules rewrite committee time to evaluate all comments and make any necessary corrections. All comments received will be taken into consideration.

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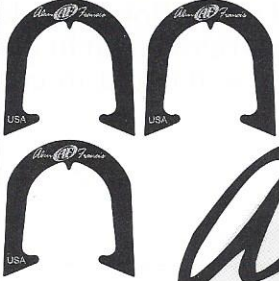
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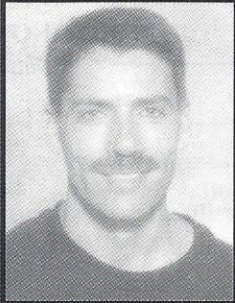
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shoes into our top selling shoes... We expect this shoe to out sell them all! We've incorporated our newest feature, hardened tips, into this shoe first, making it one of the toughest and most durable shoes you can buy. It's a very easy turning shoe with a narrow, pointed ringer break, making it easy to grip for the flip pitch too. The exceptional balance in this design makes it great for any turn or flip... It was well worth the extra effort that went into its design. Like all our other shoes, it has a one year warranty... We were lucky to have one of the best players in the world to help us on this one and now we're passing that benefit on to you!

Alan Francis
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THE OFFICIAL PLAYING RULES, SPECIFICATIONS, AND GUIDELINES FOR THE SPORT OF HORSESHOE PITCHING

Published By The National Horseshoe Pitchers Association of America (NHPA)

(Jan 1, 2006)

PLAYING RULES – This section explains the playing rules of horseshoes and may specify a general or specific penalty for violations. These rules apply for all sanctioned events, which includes league play and tournament play. Failure of pitchers to abide by these rules may result in penalties that range from a verbal reminder, to loss of points, to forfeiture of games, or to suspension of membership, while failure of the tournament and league directors (or designates) to monitor and enforce these rules could result in sanctions to the club or charter. This information can also be found on the NHPA website at <www.horseshoepitching.com>.

RULE 1 – PITCHING DIVISIONS

Section A – Juniors (any pitcher eighteen (18) years old or younger for the entire calendar year)

Junior contestants may pitch from any place on either the full-distance or extended platforms. They must observe the twenty-seven (27)-foot foul lines. Juniors age nine or under, for the entire calendar year, may observe a twenty (20)-foot foul line. **Note:** Juniors may choose to move into the Open Men or Open Women Divisions prior to the age guidelines, but cannot return to the Junior Division, once this declaration has been made. (See Guideline 5, Sections A-D, for exceptions and additional information)

Section B – Open Men (beginning age eighteen (18) or nineteen (19), and Senior Men (beginning age sixty (60))

All Open Men and Senior Men contestants shall pitch from on or behind the full-distance platforms adjacent to the pits and observe the thirty-seven (37)-foot foul line. There are no age restrictions for entering the Open Men's Division. Physically impaired males may be given permission, by their governing Charter, to move onto the extended platforms and observe the twenty-seven (27)-foot foul lines. The prior completion and approval of a Medical Exemption Form is required. (See Section E for additional information)

Section C – Elders (beginning age 70)

Elders are classified as short-distance pitchers, may pitch from any place on either the full-distance or extended platforms, and shall observe the twenty-seven (27)-foot foul line. Elders may move onto the short-distance pitching platforms at any time during the calendar year that they become seventy (70) years of age.

Section D – Open Women (beginning age eighteen (18) or nineteen (19), and Senior Women (beginning age sixty (60))

Female contestants in either of these divisions may pitch from any place on the full-distance or extended platforms and shall observe the twenty-seven (27)-foot foul lines. There are no age restrictions for entering the Open Women's Division.

Section E – Male Pitchers with an Approved Medical Exemption Form

Male pitchers less than seventy (70) years old and with an approved Medical Exemption Form (available from charter secretaries) are classified as short-distance pitchers. They shall pitch from less than forty (40) feet and shall observe the twenty-seven (27)-foot foul line. At the World Tournament and at State Championship Tournaments, they shall compete in the Elders Division.

RULE 2 – GAME PREPARATION

Section A – Court Assignment

Each contestant shall find his or her court assignment and warm up on that court for their first game. The court shall be prepared for play in a timely manner so that all games can begin at about the same time.

Section B – Pit Preparation and Maintenance

Contestants are responsible for preparing one of the pits on the assigned court of their first game. Between games, each contestant is also responsible for preparing one pit on the next assigned court, but they may allow someone else to make these pit preparations. During a game, a contestant shall not repair any of the pit material in the scoring area without the consent of the opponent or a tournament official. Any pit material removed for the measurement of a shoe or for the removal of a "buried" shoe may be replaced.

Section C – Painting of Stakes

To make the stakes more visible for the contestants, they may be painted between games (white paint is often used) so that there is a good contrast

between the color of the stake and the color of the backboard. The painting of stakes shall not be allowed while a game is in progress, unless both contestants are in agreement.

Section D – Start of Game

The tournament director will make an announcement when it is time for games to begin. No games should begin before this announcement. The flip of a shoe (or coin) and handshake shall signify the beginning of each game. The winner of the flip will have choice of first or second pitch.

Section E – Court Rotation

After each game, contestants shall go promptly to their next assigned court and each shall prepare one pit for play, **but only after all games of that round are completed.** If, during the time it takes for others to complete a round, a contestant wants to practice, he/she shall practice on the court where they just finished their game. To minimize distractions for games still in progress, the preparation of courts for the next game shall not begin until all games of that round are completed. After both pits have been prepared and the scorekeeper is ready, the contestants have the option of pitching no more than four additional warm-up shoes, and then the next game must begin immediately.

RULE 3 – PLAY OF THE GAME AND VALUE OF THE SHOE

Section A – Innings

The game is broken down into innings. Each inning consists of four (4) pitched shoes; two (2) by each contestant.

Section B – Value of the Shoe

Ringer – A ringer is a shoe that comes to rest while encircling the stake. A straightedge touching either the points or any part of the heel calks of the shoe must clear (not touch) the stake in order to be declared a ringer. A ringer has a value of three (3) points.

Shoe in Count – A shoe that is not a ringer but comes to rest with any portion of it within six (6) inches of any part of the stake is a shoe "in count". A shoe in count has a value of one (1) point. A "leaner", or any other shoe that is touching the stake (but not a ringer), is considered a shoe in count and has a value of one (1) point.

Shoe out of Count – A shoe that comes to rest further than six (6) inches from the stake is a shoe out of count and has no scoring value. A foul shoe is also considered to be a shoe that is out of count, no matter where it comes to rest.

Section C – Delivery of Shoes

The contestant pitching first shall deliver both shoes (one at a time) and then the other contestant shall deliver both shoes (one at a time). A contestant may deliver the shoes from either the left or right pitching platform, but in any one inning, both shoes must be delivered from the same platform. A contestant shall pitch the entire tournament with the same hand or arm, except in the case of a medical emergency.

2. A contestant shall deliver both shoes within thirty (30) seconds. This time limitation shall be measured by a judge and will start when the contestant steps onto the pitching platform with the intention of pitching and is in a "set" position for the first pitch.

Exceptions:

Extra time will be allowed to repair a damaged shoe (filing a burr for example).

If a player becomes distracted due to unusual playing conditions or by another contestant or spectator, they will not be penalized for this additional time.

Section D – Position of Contestants During Delivery

The Pitcher – **During the entire address and release of a shoe, the pitcher must not start or step completely outside the platform with either foot.**

Exceptions:

A contestant observing the 37-foot foul line may start directly behind the platform provided they step within it when they release the shoe.

A physically-challenged contestant must have at least some contact with the platform and be completely behind the 27-foot foul line when the shoe is released.

The Opponent – When not pitching, the opponent shall stand quietly and stationary on or behind the same court's opposite pitching platform and at least two (2) feet behind the contestant who is pitching from the same or

adjacent court. In mixed-distance pitching, a short-distance pitcher who pitches first must return to this position; on or behind the 40-foot pitching platform.

3. The Contestants – If both contestants use the same pitching platform to deliver their shoes, the contestant pitching first should cross over (in front of the pit) to the other platform and then move back to the position described in # 2, above. As the first contestant is crossing over in front, the second contestant should be crossing over in back and onto the same platform, from the rear. If the contestants use opposite platforms, the contestant who pitches first should step directly back to the position described in # 2, above.

RULE 4 – FLOW OF THE GAME

Once the four (4) shoes of an inning have been pitched, the contestants shall walk to the opposite pit to determine the score for the inning and retrieve their shoes. No shoe shall be moved before its' scoring value is determined. If this decision is in doubt, a judge shall be called. The judge shall make the necessary measurements and determine the scoring for the shoes in question. To help speed up play, contestants are encouraged to carry measuring tools and to make their own decisions on scoring, whenever possible. Play shall continue in a similar fashion for each inning until the game is completed.

No contestant shall walk to the opposite stake (except to remove a foul shoe) or ask to be informed about the position of any pitched shoes prior to the completion of an inning.

At any one time, a contestant shall carry and use only two (2) sanctioned horseshoes during the course of a game. A spare shoe or shoes should be taken along to the courts in case of a broken shoe or if the contestant chooses to switch shoes. Shoes may be switched between innings, but not during an inning, unless a shoe breaks.

If it is discovered during an inning that a contestant has pitched the shoe of an opponent (and if the opponent agrees), the remaining shoes may be pitched and the score will be based on the shoes they pitched. If the contestants do not agree on pitching the remaining shoes, then the shoes pitched shall be picked up and the entire inning shall be re-pitched, using the correct shoes. If the contestants fail to discover this error until after all four (4) shoes have been pitched, the inning shall be scored on the basis of whatever shoes they pitched. If agreement cannot be reached, a judge shall be called. Based upon input from the contestants, the judge shall either determine the scoring for the inning or void it and order the inning to be re-pitched.

When a contestant is measuring a shoe and the shoe (or the stake) is accidentally moved, the inning shall be scored only if the contestants can come to an agreement. If no agreement can be reached, a judge shall be called. The judge shall either determine the scoring or void the inning and order it to be re-pitched. When a judge is measuring a shoe and the shoe (or the stake) is accidentally moved, the judge shall either determine the scoring for the inning or void it and order it to be re-pitched.

Exceptions: Any shoes for which point values have been agreed upon by the contestants (such as ringers which may have been removed to measure other shoes) should not be re-pitched or have their value changed due to a re-pitch of other shoes. Only the shoe(s) in question when the shoe or stake was moved should be ordered re-pitched by the judge. If one or more shoes are below the shoe(s) in question, they shall remain in place for the re-pitch and shall be scored at the completion of the inning.

6. If a contestant has to leave the area of the court complex between games, he/she should notify his/her next opponent, the scorekeeper, or a tournament official and should return soon after the last game of that round is completed. Failure to return in a reasonable period of time (to be determined by the tournament director or committee) may result in the forfeiture of that next game.

RULE 5 – BROKEN OR CRACKED SHOES

Section A. Broken Shoes

1. If a shoe breaks into two or more parts as a result of striking the stake, striking another shoe in the pit, or from landing into the pit substance, the parts shall be removed and another shoe shall be pitched in its place. If the shoe breaks when striking the backboard or other "foul" territory, it shall be considered a foul shoe and may not be re-pitched.

2. If a shoe has landed in the pit and becomes broken by having another shoe land on it, it shall be scored as it appears to lie. If there is any

disagreement, a judge shall be called. The judge shall either determine the scoring for the inning or order the shoe to be re-pitched.

Section B. Cracked Shoes

If a shoe is discovered to be cracked (but not completely broken into two or more parts), it shall be scored as it lies. If there is any disagreement, a judge shall be called. The judge shall either determine the scoring for the inning or order the shoe to be re-pitched. Once the scoring is determined, the shoe shall be replaced.

RULE 6 – BROKEN STAKES

A broken stake is defined as any stake not in the same position as when the game started, and when both contestants agree that it is broken. When the stake breaks during an inning, the game shall be discontinued at the end of the previous inning and the stake shall be replaced. If a stake breaks as the result of being struck by the fourth shoe of the inning, then the inning may be counted. If the contestants cannot agree on this, then a judge shall be called to determine the scoring for the inning or void it and order the inning to be re-pitched once the game resumes. Once the scoring for the inning is determined, the tournament officials may decide to complete the game on another court, resume play after the stake is replaced, or to complete the game at a later time. A judge or tournament official will notify the contestants about resumption of play.

RULE 7 – FOUL SHOES

A foul shoe is a shoe that is delivered in non-compliance with one of the rules listed below. It scores as a shoe out of count and is to be removed from the pit (if within the scoring radius of the stake) before any more shoes are pitched.

1. The following are rules violations that must be spotted and called by an assigned judge. The penalty is to declare the shoe a foul shoe.

Any shoe pitched when the contestant has stepped on or over the foul line before the shoe is released.

Any shoe pitched when the contestant has started or stepped completely outside the pitching platform with either foot before releasing the shoe. (See exceptions in Rule 3, Section D-1a, 1b)

Any shoe not delivered within the thirty-second time limit.

Any shoe pitched with the opposite hand/arm, unless there is an approved medical emergency.

The second shoe, if it is pitched from a different platform than the first shoe.

2. **The following occurrences are also considered foul shoes** and, where it applies, the shoes must be removed from the pit (if they are in the scoring radius of the stake) before any more shoes are delivered, unless all competitors in that game agree to leave the shoe where it is.

Any shoe that contacts the backboard, platform, court frame, or any ground outside the pit area before it comes to rest.

Any shoe that strikes a previously-defined object such as a tree limb, wire, indoor court ceiling, etc.

Note: A shoe that strikes a foreign, moving object is not foul and may be re-pitched.

The second shoe if the contestant changes shoes after the first shoe has been pitched. The only exception is if the first shoe has broken and qualifies for a re-pitch.

Any shoe that leaves a contestant's hand once the final, forward swing of the delivery process has started shall count as a pitched shoe. A shoe that is accidentally dropped by a contestant before the final forward swing has started shall not be considered a foul shoe and may be picked up and pitched.

A contestant's shoe(s), if the contestant removes any shoe before the scoring of that shoe has been agreed upon. If the contestants cannot agree, a judge shall be called to determine the scoring or may order the inning re-pitched.

Note: Live shoes already in the pit area that may be disturbed by other live shoes or by a foul shoe are not to be removed, unless they are knocked into foul territory and then come to rest in the scoring area. They shall be scored "as they lie", after all shoes for the inning have been pitched.

RULE 8 – LENGTH OF THE GAME, BREAKING OF TIE GAMES

The length of a game and method for breaking ties shall be determined and announced by the tournament officials before play begins. There are three (3) options:

Point Limit – The game shall be played to a pre-determined number of points. Forty (40) points is the suggested amount. The first contestant to reach (or exceed) that amount is the winner.

Shoe Limit – The game shall be played to a pre-determined number of shoes. Forty (40) or fifty (50) shoes is the suggested amount. It shall be an even number. When that number is reached, the contestant with the highest score is the winner. If the score is tied, there are three (3) options: Each contestant may receive ½ win and ½ loss. (This option should be used if a handicap system is in effect).

A one-inning tiebreaker may be played, using the same method of play that was used in the game. In the event of another tie, this same procedure shall be continued until the tie is broken. This is recommended for cancellation play.

A two-inning tiebreaker may be played, using the same method of play that was used to begin the game. In the event of another tie, this same procedure shall be continued until the tie is broken. This is recommended for count-all play.

Point Limit or Shoe Limit - For example, thirty-five (35) points or fifty (50) shoes, whichever comes first. In the event of a tie when the shoe limit is reached, each contestant may receive ½ win and ½ loss (this option should be used if a handicap system is in effect), or additional single innings may be played until the tie is broken.

RULE 9 – SCORING THE GAME, CALLING THE SCORE

There are two methods of scoring in the game of horseshoes: Cancellation scoring and Count-all scoring.

Cancellation Scoring - In cancellation scoring, only one contestant can score in each inning.

Ringers – Ringers cancel each other. A ringer of one contestant shall cancel a ringer of the other contestant and those shoes shall not score any points. Any un-cancelled (live) ringer scores three (3) points.

Shoes in count – A shoe “in count” must be within six (6) inches of the stake and shall score one (1) point under the following conditions:

If there are cancelled ringers and no live ringer, the closest shoe to the stake, that is in count, shall score one (1) point.

If there are no ringers, the closest shoe in count shall score one (1) point.

If the other shoe of that same contestant is the second-closest shoe in count, it shall also score one (1) point.

If there is one un-cancelled ringer and if the other shoe of the scoring contestant is the closest in-count shoe to the stake, it shall score one (1) point (four (4) points total).

Opposing contestant’s shoes that are touching the stake, or that are in count and determined to be an equal distance from the stake, shall cancel each other and (like cancelled ringers) shall score no (0) points. In this situation, the next closest shoe in count (if there is one) shall score one (1) point.

Calling the Score – Points shall be awarded in the following situations. The contestant scoring the points shall call the score, as follows:

No (0) ringers with the closest shoe in count – call “one point”.

No (0) ringers with the two (2) closest shoes in count – call “two points”.

One (1) ringer with either no shoe in count or the other contestant having the closest shoe in count – call “one ringer, three points”.

One (1) ringer with the closest shoe in count – call “one ringer, four points”.

Two (2) cancelled ringers with the closest shoe in count – call “one ringer each, one point”.

Two (2) cancelled ringers with one (1) un-cancelled ringer – call “three ringers, three points”.

Two (2) un-cancelled ringers – call “two ringers, six points”.

Note: No (0) points shall be awarded in the following situations. The score shall be called by the contestant who pitched second in the previous inning. This contestant shall also pitch first in the next inning.

All four (4) shoes out of count – call “no score”.

Two (2) cancelled ringers with no (0) shoes in count – call “one ringer each, no score”.

Two (2) cancelled ringers with two (2) shoes an equal distance from the stake or out of count – call “one ringer each, no score”.

Four (4) cancelled ringers – call “four dead”.

Count-All Scoring

Count-all scoring is where each contestant receives credit for each of his or her shoes that have scored, for all innings of the game. Each contestant may score zero (0), one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), or six (6) points per inning.

Count-all scoring can also be used where the contestants only receive credit for the ringers they pitch, for all innings of the game. This format may be called a “Ringers Only” game. Each contestant may score zero

(0), one (1), or two (2) points per inning. This type of scoring should generally be limited to higher-percentage classes.

The method used for calling the score shall be determined and announced before the game begins.

4. Recording the Score

Care should be taken in reporting the scores to the scorekeeper so that the proper score is recorded for each contestant. In tournament play, the score sheet (not the scoring device) shall be the official record of the game. Contestants are encouraged to pay close attention to the score at all times. If a question or discrepancy occurs regarding the correct score, the contestants may approach the scorekeeper between innings, or during their half inning, to clarify the situation. If the discrepancy cannot be corrected to the satisfaction of both contestants, a tournament judge shall be called to make the final decision before play resumes.

RULE 10 – PITCHING ROTATION DURING THE GAME

Section A. - Cancellation Rotation

After the flip of a shoe or coin, the winner will choose who pitches first. If the game is to be played under cancellation scoring, there are two (2) ways to determine who will pitch first in the next inning, once the game has started. The method to be used shall be determined and announced before play begins.

Cancellation Play – The contestant who scored in the preceding inning shall pitch first in the next inning. If neither pitcher scores, the contestant who pitched last in the preceding inning shall pitch first in the next inning.

Alternate Pitch – Alternate first pitch is used to guarantee each contestant an equal number of first and second pitches during a game. If the game is to be played to a shoe limit, it is recommended that this limit be a number divisible by four. Alternate first pitch shall be done in one of three (3) ways:

a. One contestant shall pitch first in innings 1,4,5,8,9,12,13,16,17, etc. while the other contestant shall pitch first in innings 2,3,6,7,10,11,14,15, etc. until the game is completed. This is the fairest way and is recommended.

b. One contestant shall pitch first in innings 1,2,5,6,9,10,13,14, etc. while the other contestant shall pitch first in innings 3,4,7,8,11,12,15,16, etc. until the game is completed.

c. One opponent shall pitch first from one end of the court, and the opponent shall pitch first from the opposite end.

Section B. – Count-All Rotation

Any game played using count-all scoring shall also use one of the alternate-pitch formats, described above in Section A, 2.

Section C – Handicap Rotation

Any game played under any kind of handicap system shall use one of the alternate-pitch formats, described above in Section A, 2.

Section D – Out of Turn Rotation

If it is discovered during an inning (before all four (4) shoes are pitched) that the wrong contestant has pitched first, the shoes pitched so far in that inning shall be re-pitched. If the error is not discovered until after all four (4) shoes have been delivered, they shall be scored as they lie and the correct rotation shall be re-established for the rest of the game. If no agreement can be reached, a judge shall be called. The judge shall either determine the scoring or void the inning and order it to be re-pitched.

RULE 11 – APPROPRIATE NHPA MEMBER CONDUCT

Section A. On the courts:

An NHPA member, while in competition, shall make no disturbing noises or movements that would distract the opponent or competitors on adjacent courts. Other inappropriate behavior would include profanity, abusive language, obscene gestures, etc. The first offense shall call for a warning from the judge or a tournament official. A second offense shall call for a forfeiture of the game being played. Any further offenses shall call for a forfeiture of all games. This member shall also be subject to a one (1)-year suspension from the NHPA.

Section B. Sportsmanship:

Any NHPA member who indulges in heckling or unfair rooting, uses profanity or abusive language, makes obscene gestures, or exhibits any other form of un-sportsmanlike conduct toward the contestants, tournament officials, or other NHPA members who are in the area of the courts, shall be subject to expulsion from the tournament and from the tournament site. This member shall also be subject to a one (1)-year suspension from the NHPA.

Section C. Dress Code:

All pitchers competing in a World Tournament shall have, as a minimum, their last name and State or Country abbreviation professionally lettered on the back of their shirts. Said shirts cannot be sleeveless. No cut-offs are permitted and closed-toe shoes must be worn. Further dress code restrictions can be imposed by the Executive Council if all entrants are notified no later than the mailing date of their pitching schedules. This dress code may also be enforced at any State or Regional Tournament or at any local sanctioned event, but must be announced in advance by the Tournament Director or Tournament Committee. Contestants that do not comply may not be allowed to participate in the event.

Section D. Alcohol, Tobacco Products, and Illegal Controlled Substances:

During sanctioned tournaments, the use of Alcohol, any form of Tobacco, or Illegal Controlled Substances while in the confines of the courts shall be prohibited for all contestants, officials, and scorekeepers. Violations may result in the forfeiture of games.

Section E. Cell Phones: As a courtesy to participants, the use of cell phones shall not be allowed by anyone on the courts.

RULE 12 – TOURNAMENT PLAY

Section A. Standard Method of Sanctioned Tournament Play:

The standard method of NHPA sanctioned tournament play is round-robin play with contestants being seeded into classes using current NATSTATS ringer percentages. Each contestant will play all other contestants in the class. Court assignments and the order of play will follow a printed schedule, given to each contestant at the beginning of the contest. To credit individuals with a complete, official tournament, at least half of the scheduled games must be completed, with a minimum of two (2) games.

Section B. Determining Class Winners, Breaking of Ties

At the end of round-robin play, win-loss records or ringer percentage shall determine class winners. In addition, total points may be used if the scoring was done using the count-all method. If ties occur, they shall be settled by playoff, ringer percentage, total points, who-beat-whom, or other methods that were not used to determine the winners. The tournament director or committee shall decide how winners are to be determined and how ties are to be broken and shall announce these procedures before tournament play begins. If playoff games take place, the method of play and the length of the games shall be decided and announced by the tournament director or tournament committee. In World, National, Regional and State Championships, all ties for first place in the championship class of a designated division must be broken by a playoff game. Ties for other places may be settled by playoff, percentage or who beat whom.

Section C. Ringer Percentage

A contestant's ringer percentage shall be determined by dividing the total number of ringers by the total number of shoes pitched. Shoes pitched in playoff games and in extra innings pitched, because of tie games, shall be included in these totals.

Section D. Seeding Contestants

Generally, contestants shall be seeded into tournament classes based on their current NATSTATS ringer percentage at the time of the entry deadline. An exception could be the top seeding of a defending champion (not required) when his/her current NATSTATS average isn't the highest average within the championship group. All NATSTATS average ringer percentages shall be based on the three highest NHPA sanctioned events pitched in the preceding twelve (12) months, or among the last ten (10) sanctioned events pitched during the same period, whichever occurs first. An average is calculated by dividing the total number of ringers by the total number of shoes pitched for those three (3) events.

1. Any member without a current average at their pitching distance shall pitch a minimum of one hundred (100) consecutive shoes to establish their tournament seeding percentage. This qualifying must be scored in writing and witnessed by two (2) NHPA members no more than thirty (30) days prior to the entry deadline. Alternately, an NHPA sanctioned club or league average may be used if it is based on four hundred (400) or more shoes.

2. Members with less than three (3) sanctioned events shall use the combined average of the one (1) or two (2) sanctioned events in which they have pitched. This may include the 100-shoe qualifier described above.

3. The number of sanctioned events required for entering a tournament may vary and shall be determined and announced in advance by the tournament committee.

Section E. Handicapping

Handicapping may be used in open tournaments and in league play. The tournament director or tournament committee shall determine the amount of the handicap. Class winners will be determined by win-loss record or by total points. An alternate-pitch format shall be used. For the breaking of ties, the options in Section B (above) may apply, except that ringer percentage shall not be used. Game handicapping shall not be used in any World, National, or Regional Tournament or in the championship class of a designated division of any State Championship Tournament.

Section F. Forfeits

In tournament competition, the wins and losses and all statistics accumulated shall remain in the books for a pitcher who has to forfeit one or more games, for any reason. A pitcher may miss any number of games, due to illness or other legitimate reason approved by the Tournament Director or Committee, and still be permitted to return to competition. If a pitcher forfeits for an unapproved reason, they will not be allowed to return to the competition and will forfeit all prize money and/or awards. Any pitcher who forfeits games shall finish wherever their record puts them in the standings, unless they forfeit for unapproved reasons; then they shall finish in last place.

Section G. Protests

If a contestant does not agree with a ruling or decision, a protest shall be made to the judge or tournament official(s) at the time the problem occurs. If the problem cannot be resolved on the courts, the tournament director or committee shall make the final ruling on all protests. This ruling may occur after the game has been completed.

GUIDELINES and other requirements for Sanctioned League and Sanctioned Tournament play – The Guidelines Section begins with an explanation of and suggested formats for Doubles Play, and continues with an overview of the duties of the Tournament/League Director or Committee, and the duties of Judges. The Guidelines sections on State Tournaments, the World Tournament, and Special Tournaments include some additional requirements for participation in these events. Guideline 7 includes some special, additional information for Junior Pitchers and there is a very useful Guideline for Keeping Score. (Please note that some of the information in this section has been moved here from Bylaws)

GUIDELINE 1 - DOUBLES PLAY

In doubles play, two contestants are partners against another team of two contestants. One contestant from each team shall be at each end of the court and the tournament officials shall match the contestants so that the highest rated contestant (by percentage) from each team shall be pitching from the same end of the court. The tournament committee shall determine the length of the game and method of play. When contestants are pitching their shoes, the contestants at the other end shall be well behind and to the side of the pitcher's box (for their own safety) and in a stationary position so as not to distract the contestants on their own or adjacent courts. Otherwise, all the Playing Rules for singles play shall apply.

Section A. Regular Doubles

In regular doubles, both team members use the same pair of shoes and all contestants stay at the same end of the court for the entire game. To begin the game, the highest-rated contestants shall decide first pitch and pitch their shoes, just as in singles competition. Their partners, at the opposite end, shall decide and call the score, retrieve the shoes, and pitch them back following the same procedure. The decision on who pitches first in each inning depends upon the scoring system being used, following the rules of singles play. A single score sheet shall be used that clearly shows the ringers and shoes pitched by all contestants.

Section B. Walking Doubles

In walking doubles, all contestants will pitch their own shoes. A single score sheet shall be used that clearly shows the ringers and shoes pitched by all contestants.

1. Shoe-limit Games - The lower-rated contestants will decide first pitch and pitch their four (4) shoes. The higher-rated pitchers will then pitch their four (4) shoes and all pitchers will then walk to the opposite end, decide the scoring, and pick up their shoes. The scores for the highest-rated should be recorded first and they will also pitch first for the remainder of the game. Which one of them (and their opponents) pitches

first depends upon the scoring system (cancellation or count-all) being used, following the rules of singles play. This procedure will continue until the game is over.

2. Point-limit Games - The higher-rated contestants will decide first pitch and pitch their four (4) shoes. The lower-rated contestants will determine the scoring for these shoes. The partner of the pitcher who scores (or the partner of the contestant who pitched last, in case of a no-score situation) will call or record the score and will pitch first in the next inning. All pitchers will now walk to the opposite end. The highest-rated contestants will pick up their shoes (already scored) and step back. The scoring of the last four (4) shoes pitched is determined and called or recorded. The contestant calling the score always pitches first. This procedure is continued until the game is over. For safety or other reasons, the tournament director or committee may select an alternative walking sequence, as long as the scoring sequence remains the same.

GUIDELINE 2 – TOURNAMENT AND SANCTIONED LEAGUE ADMINISTRATION

Section A. Guidelines For Directors And Committees

All NHPA sanctioned tournaments and leagues shall have a designated director or committee to administer the activities of the event. The director or committee shall:

1. Publicize the event

a. Announce the date, place, entry fee, prize list, registration deadline, and any other information a member will need in order to participate.

b. Announce classifications available to entrants.

c. Announce the method of play (cancellation or count-all), the length of the games (how many shoes or points) and whether or not alternate pitch will be used.

d. Announce the method to be used for handling ties for individual games, and at the end of round-robin play.

Obtain verifiable and current ringer percentages for all entrants from their charter statistician or from NATSTATS.

3. Set up the playing format, assign contestants to their proper courts, and provide contestants with a schedule of games to be played.

4. Ask to see NHPA membership cards to make sure all entrants are current NHPA members.

5. Arrange for scorekeepers for each court and announce the amount and method of their pay before play begins.

6. Have statisticians available for the checking and recording of game scores and for the compilation of class and tournament results.

7. Have judges and judging tools available.

8. Handle all protests and make the final decisions on any questions that may remain unanswered.

9. Make the decision to halt play because of inclement weather or other emergencies and decide when play shall resume, if or when conditions improve.

10. Present the awards at the end of play.

11. See that the tournament or league results are sent to the charter statistician and NATSTATS for proper recording.

Section B. Judges (also see Judging Guidelines booklet)

1. Judges shall be appointed by the tournament/league director or committee. Their duties are:

a. To enforce the rules and issue the proper penalties if and when violations occur.

b. To measure for ringers, the closest shoe to the stake, or for shoes in count. To resolve scoring questions or discrepancies, and to answer or resolve any rules questions, when called upon by the contestants.

c. To help make the correct decision in situations involving broken shoes, broken stakes, shoes and/or stakes that may be moved by contestants during measurements, shoes pitched out of turn, a contestant's shoes mistakenly pitched by the opponent, and other questions which may arise.

d. To act as a liaison between the contestants and the tournament committee for all possible questions or situations.

Decisions made by judges in 1, a-c (above) shall be accepted as final, by the contestants, and the game shall continue from that point.

GUIDELINE 3 - FOR CHARTER/STATE CHAMPIONSHIP PLAY

Section A. Each Charter must hold an NHPA sanctioned State Championship annually unless there is more than one charter in the State, in which case the State Tournament will be rotated unless otherwise agreed upon by the involved Charters.

Section B. The State Championship Tournament must advertise and provide an entry form stating the intent to crown champions in at least

Men, Women, Junior and Elder Short-distance Pitching Divisions. Other Divisions are an option left to the discretion of the tournament committee. Any Division not receiving at least four (4) entrants can be cancelled, but the entrants must be given the opportunity of pitching in another division. All age limitations for Divisions shall be in accord with Rule 1, Sections A-E.

Section C. The Championship Class of the Men and Women's Division in a State Championship Tournament cannot be mixed play. All classes below the Men's and Women's Championship class, as well as all classes in any other Division, may be mixed at the discretion of the Tournament Committee. When other Divisions are mixed in these Championship classes, the champion of each Division will be the highest finishing player in their respective Division. Handicap systems may be used in State Championship play, but any Division Title must be determined by a scratch system of play.

Section D. State Championship Tournaments are open only to those NHPA members who legally reside in that State and meet the regular eligibility requirements imposed for the event. An exception to this shall be active-duty members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families who may pitch in the Championship of the State in which they are stationed/reside, provided they meet the other eligibility requirements of that charter. No one will be allowed to pitch in more than one State Championship Tournament per year.

Section E. All sanctioned tournaments shall provide a playing opportunity for all eligible Full and Short distance pitchers. The NHPA Executive Council in accord with Guideline 5, Section A, can authorize exceptions for special tournaments such as invitationals, juniors only, etc..

Section F. All sanctioned tournament results must be reported promptly in a prescribed format to NATSTATS, the NHPA center for pitching averages. It is the responsibility of the charter president to designate the reporting person. All sanctioned Club/League results shall be reported to the designated NHPA Club/League Director, promptly at the conclusion of any league, who will then forward results on to the NATSTATS Director.

Section G. All officers of a Charter must be members of the NHPA and subscribe to the official NHPA magazine, currently *Horseshoe Pitching Newslite*. Two charter officers housed in a common residence require only a single subscription between them.

Section H. Only NHPA members in possession of a current combined State/National card are eligible to vote on any matter pertaining to the election of Charter officers, the sanctioned tournament schedule, or anything else that may directly or indirectly involve NHPA business, bylaws, or official playing rules.

Section I. Each Charter must comply in all ways with the Official Playing Rules, Guidelines, Specifications, and with the Bylaws of the NHPA. Deliberate violation of same will be cause for possible NHPA suspension of Charter Officers, the revocation of the Charter, or both.

GUIDELINE 4 - FOR WORLD TOURNAMENT PLAY

Section A. The World Tournament Committee shall consist of all members of the Executive Council present at the Tournament. The NHPA President shall designate the Tournament Director who will confer with the President on the format and schedule.

Section B. A World Tournament shall include separate championship divisions for Men, Women, Senior Men, Junior Boys, Junior Girls, Elders and Senior Women. If class-pitching performance is used as a "qualifier" for determining who will advance to Championship Division play, the Championship rounds shall be assigned a separate sanction number and both Class and Championship play shall count as tournaments pitched.

Section C. The title of Champion Horseshoe Pitcher of the World can be contended for only in tournaments authorized by the NHPA Executive Council.

Section D. The winner of each division of the authorized World Tournament shall be declared the Champion Horseshoe Pitcher of the World of their respective division, and shall hold the title until the next authorized World Tournament.

Section E. In a World Tournament, games won and lost shall determine the order in which the winners are placed. Pitchers tying for first place of a division shall decide the winner as follows: if two tie, a one-game playoff to 40 points; If more than two tie, the first place shall be decided by a ladder-type playoff based upon ringer percentages; in all others ties (second and below), trophies and prize money shall be awarded based

upon ringer percentage. First place ties at the "class" level will be determined by 40-shoe playoff games.

Section F. Any record set in a Sanctioned Tournament shall be called a World Record. Any record set in a World Tournament shall be called a World Tournament Record. The statistics will be different sets of records and recorded as such. The Executive Council will decide on the authenticity of any disputed record.

Section G. All pitchers competing in a World Tournament shall have, as a minimum, their last name and State or Country abbreviation professionally lettered on the back of their shirts. Said shirts cannot be sleeveless. No cut-offs are permitted and closed-toe shoes must be worn. Further dress code restrictions can be imposed by the Executive Council if all entrants are notified no later than the mailing date of their pitching schedules.

Section H. All adult entrants to the World Tournament who reside in the United States must have completed at least four (4) NHPA sanctioned events at their Division pitching distance during the twelve (12) months preceding the cut-off date listed on the current World Tournament entry form. An exception to this shall be active-duty members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families, provided they meet the other eligibility requirements. Only one event is required for Juniors. All entrants shall have their eligibility and entering percentage verified by NatStats. Entering averages for foreign entrants and active-duty members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families, not in the NatStats database, will be verified by other means. (See Rule 12, Section D)

Section I. The Prize and Trophy list will be developed by members of the NHPA Executive Council and approved by a majority of the Council. Minimum cash awards are as follows:

1. The Championship Division cash prize list, including the Junior Trusts, will be paid from the NHPA funds collected based upon the \$3.00 set aside for each adult member reported in the prior year (see Bylaws, Art. III, Sec. 3).

2. The Men's Open Championship cash prize for first place shall be a minimum of \$2,500 and the Women's Open Championship cash prize for first place shall be a minimum of \$2,000.

3. The Executive Council shall determine an amount of money, not to be less than \$3,000, to be added to the World Tournament cash prizes. This money may come from any source available to the Executive Council.

GUIDELINE 5 - FOR SPECIAL TOURNAMENTS OR EVENTS

Section A. The Charter Executive Council may authorize or conduct, at its discretion, special tournaments, matches, exhibitions, open, invitational, or celebrity pitching events anywhere that it deems suitable.

Section B. Any Special tournament or event, including the World Tournament, will be conducted in accord with the NHPA Official Playing Rules, Guidelines, and Specifications except that the Executive Council may approve a waiver if it will aid in the promotion of the sport and/or success of the event.

The Charter Executive Council may authorize a limit to the number of entries to any Special Tournament or Special Event if it feels time, court, or any other restraints make it impossible to reasonably schedule an unlimited number of entrants. In such cases, limits may be set by any manner deemed suitable.

GUIDELINE 6 - ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR NHPA TOURNAMENTS/LEAGUES

Section A. All NHPA Tournaments shall be sanctioned in accord with the published guidelines or directives for NHPA Regional Directors.

Section B. Tournament entry and league participation is restricted to players holding a current NHPA membership card and also to players who meet any imposed eligibility requirements, unless otherwise allowed by the charter Executive Council.

Section C. Tournament fees: All registration (entry) and any other fees shall be determined by the Tournament Director or Committee.

Section D. All NHPA Tournaments shall be conducted at the discretion of the Tournament Director or Committee providing the Official Playing Rules, Guidelines, and Specifications are not violated. (See Guideline 5, Section B for exception) Any division not receiving at least four (4) entries can be canceled, but the entrants shall be given an opportunity to pitch in a class of another division. To credit individuals with an official tournament pitched, a class shall complete at least fifty (50) percent of their scheduled tournament games. In no event shall this be less than two (2) games.

Section E. The Count-All System of scoring is to be optional throughout any pitching activity. The exception to this shall be the World and State Championship Tournaments where only the preliminary qualifying rounds may use the count-all method of total points to determine the championship classes.

Section F. All ringers and shoes pitched under one sanction number, including additional shoes to break a tie and play-off games, shall be counted when figuring the totals for that event. All sanctioned Club/League play must be four hundred (400) shoes or more to count as an event.

GUIDELINE 7 - SPECIAL INFORMATION FOR JUNIOR PITCHERS

Section A. Junior pitchers may compete in an adult division of a mixed tournament without harm to their junior standing provided no separate Junior Division is offered in the same tournament. When a Junior Division is offered in any non-handicapped tournament, a junior may pitch with the adults without harm to their junior standing, but only when their average is at least twenty (20) percent higher than the next junior.

Section B. Junior pitchers who request admittance and are accepted into an adult class outside the conditions set forth in Section eight (8) above, will forever forfeit their junior eligibility. A junior boy who forfeits his junior status must pitch from the full distance.

Section C. All junior play (mixed class or otherwise) will be conducted on an amateur basis. Awards presented to a junior should have no immediate monetary value. Trophies, medals, or ribbons are recommended. Any award with monetary value, including trust funds from the World Tournament or the Junior Scholar Pitcher Awards Program, shall not be issued before the successful completion of high school.

Section D. It shall be the responsibility of all junior pitchers to make sure that their amateur standing is not jeopardized by any violation of the above guidelines.

GUIDELINE 8 - GUIDELINES FOR SCOREKEEPERS (this guideline is nearing completion)

SPECIFICATIONS - This section includes information about specific measurement requirements for equipment and for court layout, the sanctioning of horseshoes and courts, and the allowable repairs for horseshoes. Diagrams are included here, but for individuals or clubs that are constructing new courts, more detailed plans can be found on the NHPA website at www.horseshoepitching.com.

I - EQUIPMENT SPECIFICATIONS

Section A - Sanctioned Horseshoes (see diagram, to be added later)

All horseshoe designs and prototypes must be approved and sanctioned by the NHPA before the shoes they represent can officially be manufactured and used in NHPA sanctioned competition. The maximum weight and measurement standards are as follows: The horseshoe weight shall not be more than two (2) pounds, ten (10) ounces (there is no minimum weight). No horseshoe can exceed 7-1/4 inches in width or 7-5/8 inches in length. The opening of the shoe must not exceed 3-1/2 inches, measured from a parallel line 3/4 of an inch inward from a straightedge touching the tips of the shoe points. (A 1/8-inch tolerance to 3-5/8 inches is allowed on used shoes) No part of any horseshoe shall exceed one (1) inch in height when placed, with calks down, on a level surface. Shoes not meeting these requirements shall be declared "illegal". Illegal shoes shall not be used in any NHPA sanctioned competition and all games pitched with illegal shoes shall be forfeited. All horseshoes used by a pitcher may be checked at any time, before or during competition, to verify that they are legal shoes. A judge or other tournament officials will do this checking.

Section B - Altered Horseshoes

Any sanctioned shoe that has been changed from its original design (calk, notch, etc.) shall be considered an "altered" shoe. An "altered" shoe is illegal and cannot be used in any sanctioned event. **Note:** The NHPA Executive Council has the right to waive the "altered" shoe provision for a physically-impaired contestant.

Section C - Legal Horseshoe Repair

Through prolonged use, horseshoes may become bent or warped and "mushrooming" or "roll-over" may occur on the inside of the "toe" area, or elsewhere. Horseshoes may also crack or break into two or more parts. When possible, these conditions may be corrected by grinding, heating, pounding, or welding of the shoes, so long as the original design of the shoe is not altered in the process and so long as they still meet all of the measurement requirements for NHPA sanctioned horseshoes.

Section D – Horseshoes Sanctioned in Other Countries

Any horseshoes sanctioned by the governing bodies of other countries may be used in NHPA sanctioned play, but only by contestants from that country, and only if the shoes meet NHPA horseshoe specifications. They are not allowable for use by U.S. citizens in NHPA sanctioned events unless they have also been sanctioned by the NHPA.

Section E - Hooks, Pick-up Devices, Files, etc.

It is legal for a contestant to carry and use a blunt-ended hook or horseshoe pick-up device, but it cannot exceed thirty-six (36) inches in total length. Any hook cannot protrude more than two (2) inches from the main shaft. Care should be taken in using the hook so as not to endanger the opponent or other contestants. Contestants are also encouraged to carry a file and towel to keep their shoes burr-free and shoes and hands clean and dry.

II – SPECIFICATIONS FOR COURT LAYOUT (see diagram, to be added later)

Section A. Sanctioning Of Courts – Court conditions inconsistent with the NHPA specifications listed below are discouraged primarily because of the need to standardize the conditions and results of play for everyone.

Full Court Sanction – Courts that meet all of the specifications listed below in Section B may receive a Full Court Sanction Certificate from the regional directors of that charter, once these specifications are verified. Any sanctioned event may be contested on these fully-sanctioned courts.

Conditional Court Sanction – The NHPA recognizes that while some older courts may not meet all of the specifications listed below in Section B, they may meet the fundamental requirements of pitching distances, minimum pit dimensions, stake dimensions, and pit substances called for in these specifications. Accordingly, such existing courts may receive a Conditional Court Sanction Certificate from the regional directors of that charter until such time that the courts are modified or re-built to meet all of the current specifications. These courts may then qualify for Full Court Sanction Certification. Any sanctioned event may be contested on conditionally-sanctioned courts *except* State Championship or National Championship events.

Court Complexes – Since only one court sanction certificate will be issued in locations where there are multiple courts, *all* courts within the complex must meet the minimum specification requirements of pitching distances, minimum pit dimensions, stake dimensions, and pit substances for the issuance of a Conditional Court Sanction Certificate. Likewise, *all* courts within a court complex must meet *all* of the specifications listed below in Section B to qualify for the issuance of a Full Court Sanction Certificate.

Note: All sanctioned events must be contested on fully or conditionally-sanctioned courts.

Section B. Ground Level Courts (also see diagram, to be added later)

1. Court Dimensions – The rectangular playing area of a horseshoe court shall be six (6) feet wide and forty-six (46) feet long. An additional two (2) feet of buffer zone, along each side and behind each platform, is recommended for safety reasons. This combination of measurements results in an overall court area that is ten (10) feet wide and fifty (50) feet long. All surfaces within this area shall be level. A north-south orientation for outdoor courts is recommended, to minimize the effects of sunlight.

2. Court Surfaces - There are no specific court surface material requirements other than the use of suitable pit substances (see number 11, below). The same surface material should be used for all platforms and crossover areas surrounding the pit. For outdoor courts, recommended materials for all walkways, platforms, and crossover areas include concrete or paved asphalt. For indoor courts, concrete, wood, or suitable carpeting is recommended for all platforms and crossover areas. Other court surfaces may consist of any natural or man-made material, so long as it provides a safe, non-skid surface. Suitable drainage of surface water away from pits and platforms is recommended for outdoor courts. Shrubs, signs or other objects must not block the view of pitchers or interfere with their necessary movements on the court.

3. Multiple Courts – In facilities with multiple courts, the following layout guidelines shall be observed:

a. Side-by-side Courts – For safety reasons and to minimize distractions, the stakes of adjacent courts must be no closer than ten (10) feet apart. A distance of twelve (12) feet is recommended.

b. Back-to-back Courts – The stakes of back-to-back courts must be a minimum of sixteen (16) feet apart and a visual and protective barrier (six (6) feet high is recommended) must separate the courts.

4. Pitcher's Box - The pitcher's box is a six (6)-foot by six (6)-foot area at each end of the court. It is composed of two main parts: 1) the pit, and 2) the pitching platforms. The areas behind and in front of the pit are referred to as "crossover" areas.

The Pit - The pit is a rectangular area filled with the "pit substance" into which the shoes are pitched. The *maximum inside length* of the pit (in the direction in which the shoes are pitched) is seventy-two (72) inches and the *minimum inside length* is forty-three (43) inches. The *maximum inside width* is thirty-six (36) inches and the *minimum inside width* is thirty-one (31) inches. The pits shall be centered on the court's lengthwise centerline, which is also halfway between the full-distance pitching platforms. For safety reasons, the use of sideboards to contain pit material is not recommended. If used, they shall not exceed a height of seven (7) inches.

Full-distance Pitching Platforms - These pitching platforms flank each side of both pits and are parallel to each other. They shall be 18 to 20-1/2 inches wide (depending upon the width of the pit) and shall be a minimum of six (6) feet long.

Short-distance Pitching Platforms and Walkways – The pitching platforms, on each side of both pits, shall be extended forward for the full length of the court to provide a continuous walkway and to accommodate short-distance pitchers. These platforms shall be level with and be of the same width and material as the full-distance platforms.

6. Raised Pits – Also known as temporary or portable pits, raised pits are often used for events of a relatively short duration such as the world tournament, a local fair, or an exhibition. Normally constructed of plywood and 2X4s or 2X6s, the height of the pit framework shall not be more than seven (7) inches above the level of the adjacent platforms. For sanctioned events, the minimum inside dimensions shall be the same as stated in Section 4-a (see above). After the proper positioning of the pits (see positioning of stakes in # 7, below), foul lines shall be measured from the bottom of the stake, before the approved pit substance is added. The pits should be anchored in such a way that they will not move during their use. The top of each stake shall be no less than eighteen (18) inches and no greater than nineteen (19) inches above the inside, bottom of the pit. The pit substance in the scoring area surrounding the stake shall be maintained at a depth of four (4) inches, between games.

7. Stakes - The stake is the target at which the shoe is pitched. Stakes shall be positioned in the very center of the pitcher's box, on the court's lengthwise centerline, with a minimum of twenty-one (21) inches from the stake to the front and back of the pit substance. The distance between stakes shall be forty (40) feet. This distance is to be measured from the front of each stake, level with the pitching platform. Stakes shall be one (1) inch in diameter and shall be made of cold-rolled steel, mild iron, soft metal, or NHPA-approved synthetic material. The top of each stake shall be no less than fourteen (14) inches and no greater than fifteen (15) inches above the level of the pitching platforms (see exception for raised pits in # 6, above). Stakes shall be securely mounted (see diagrams) and have an approximate three (3)-inch lean toward the opposite stake.

8. Imaginary Stakes - Imaginary stakes are a useful reference, for short-distance pitchers, on where to stand. They shall be marked (often by a spot of paint or other marker of the same diameter as the official stake) midway between the extended platforms, or on the inside edge of the extended platforms, at distances of thirty (30) feet and twenty-three (23) feet from the opposite stake. If the official stakes are not forty (40) feet apart, imaginary stakes shall also be marked on the full-distance platforms, at a distance of forty (40) feet from the opposite stake.

9. Foul Lines - Foul lines shall be defined by straight lines extending across the front of the full-distance and extended platforms and shall be placed perpendicular to an imaginary line between the stakes. The thirty-seven (37) foot and twenty-seven (27) foot foul lines shall be measured from the front of the opposite stakes. A single, twenty (20)-foot foul line, two (2) inches in width, shall be marked on each platform at the exact mid-point between the stakes. Foul lines shall be measured at the level of the pitching platform (see exception for "Raised Pits" in number 6, above). While the width of foul lines may vary (two inches is recommended), their location shall be marked in a way that is clearly visible to the pitchers and judges.

10. Backboards and Protective Barrier

a. Backboards – For safety reasons, every pit should have a backboard. It shall be at least three (3) feet behind the stake, be at least one (1) foot high, and extend to the width of the pit. For spectator visibility, a mesh netting or chain-link material is recommended. If made of solid material, it should be a color that will provide a contrasting background so as to make the stake more visible for the contestants. **Note:** The backboards of raised pits are usually attached to the inside of the wooden framework and may therefore be as close as twenty-one (21) inches to the stake.

b. Protective Barrier – For safety reasons, all court complexes shall be surrounded by a protective barrier. This barrier should be at least eight (8) feet behind the stakes. A chain-link type of fence at least four (4) feet high is recommended.

11. Pit Substance - Clay, sand, dirt and NHPA-approved synthetic materials are all legal pit substances. The *minimum* depth of the pit substance shall be four (4) inches. An eight (8)-inch depth is recommended for ground-level pits.

12. Overhead Court Clearances – The air space above all courts shall be free of all natural or man-made objects such as tree limbs, wires, etc. for a height of at least twelve (12) feet above the playing area.

GLOSSARY – The glossary section includes the definitions of horseshoe-related terms that are used in other sections of this document. These terms are arranged in alphabetical order, which may make it easier to find their meanings than by searching through the document. At the end of each definition you will also find reference information such as a page, article, or section number, which may make it easier to find the location of a term within the text material. Please remember to refer to this text material when making decisions about the interpretation of a rule, for example.

(This should be a relatively easy section to develop as the terms/definitions have been completed. We are now deciding on which terms/definitions should be included here)

Note: The highlighted areas are the changes made to the original rules. This has been done to make it easier for you to review the changes.

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NHPF Donations	\$134.00
Sanctioned Club/League Patches	\$74.00
Sanction League Tournament	\$735.00
US Bank Interest Money Mmkt	\$186.61
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W.T. Class Print Out Sales	\$215.00
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W.T. Telephone Refund	\$22.61
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Total	\$38,720.06

Expenditures

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All Junior Scholarship Trusts	\$1,630.06
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THE TOLL OF TIME

Harold C. Reno **Ohio**

Harold C. Reno, 90, of Sabina, died September 12, 2005. His wife, Wenonah "Nona" Reno, preceded him in death November 20, 1999. They were married November 4, 1938. Harold was born February 16, 1915, in Clinton County, son of the late Charles C. and Alma S. Aills Reno.

Mr. Reno was a lifelong farmer in Wilson Township, Clinton County. He also served Wilson Township for 40 years as trustee.

In 1961, Harold Reno won the NHPA World Tournament. 1964 found Harold capturing the World Title again. From 1957 to 1972 Harold qualified for 16 World Tournaments. Out of those, he finished in the top 10 thirteen times. He was runner up in 1959. In addition to the two World Titles, Harold won eleven State Titles. These came in 1954, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1964, 1966, 1967 and 1969. Between 1947 and 1976 Harold won the Clinton County League 24 times. He won the Southeast Ohio District Tournament in 1951, 1955, 1960, 1967 and 1970. He captured the U.S. Southeastern Title in 1966, 1968, 1969, 1971 and 1972. He took top honors in the Corn Belt Open in 1959, 1961, 1962, 1967, 1969 and 1970. These were in addition to winning numerous other tournaments throughout the United States and Canada. In 1974 Harold was inducted into the NHPA Hall of Fame. In 1977 he was inducted into the Ohio Horseshoe Pitchers Hall of Fame. In 1997 he was inducted into the Clinton County Sports Hall of Fame. After retiring from competition, he stayed active with the Clinton County Horseshoe League as a scorekeeper.

Mr. Reno is survived by two daughters; Ann Reno (Dick) Babb of Sabina

and Karen (Jim) Smith of Sabina; a brother, John (Mary) Reno of Sabina; a grandson and five great-grandchildren.

In addition to his wife and parents, a daughter, Cindy C. Reno, and four sisters; Dorothy Hesse, Imogene Hale, Emma Mae Huff and Emma Faye Brooks are preceded in death.

Any desired memorial contributions may be made to the NHPF, P.O. Box 1628, Penn Valley, CA 95946.

Wilda Shackelton

Wilda T. Shackelton, 89, of Otego passed away after a short illness July 21, 2005.

She was born January 7, 1916, in Walton to George B. and Elizabeth Forrest Tweedie.

She resided on the Fish Hollow family farm for the first 86 years of her life.

Wilda was a member of the United Presbyterian Church in Walton. She was an alumna of Walton Central School and the State University College at Oneonta. She was a member of the Walton Teachers' Association and the state/national affiliate, NYSUTA/NEA.

Mrs. Shackelton was a teacher for 31 years. Twenty-one of those years were in the Walton Central School District.

In 1946, she married Walter Shackelton. He predeceased her December 1, 1986.

Wilda Shackelton is survived by three sons and two daughters, all of whom are in the teaching profession: George of Otego, John in West Oneonta, Tim of Cobleskill, and Maxine and Marlene of Covington, Tennessee. In addition, there are eight grandchildren who she adored.

Wilda was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. She was the matriarch of her family who was totally dedicated to assuring that her sons, daughters and grandchildren would

become all they were capable of being. Her leadership, support and guidance were perpetual and unwavering.

Wilda was an avid horseshoe pitcher and a terrific competitor. She will be missed dearly, but we know that the world is a better place because she lived.

Francis Winetrout **Washington**

Francis 'Winnie' Winetrout, age 100, died September 2, 2005. He was born in Custer, Washington on March 26, 1905. Winnie attended Whatcom High School where he was known as 'The Barefoot Boy' having won the district race barefooted on a cinder track. He was a veteran of WWII, serving from 1942 to 1945. Winnie worked as a gardener at the Ballard Locks in Seattle until his retirement. At age 65, Winnie married his "Sweetie", Florence Miller and moved to Ferndale, WA. She preceded him in death in 1987.

The love of Winnie's life was horseshoe pitching and he was a patron of the sport. He is known throughout Washington as "Mr. Horseshoe". In 1968 he won his first National Division Championship with a 72.8% ringer average. This record in World play was unequaled for many years. Winnie was the first person inducted into the Washington State Horseshoe Pitchers Hall of Fame. He was also inducted into the National Hall of Fame in 1984; he received the NHPA Presidents Award in 1989 and was awarded the Archie Stokes Award in 1993. A six series winter tournament, the Winetrout Classic, is named in his honor.

A very special memorial celebration was held at the Bellingham horseshoe courts on September 15, 2005, where family and friends gathered to remember and share Winnie's life - a life that touched us all and will for generations to come.

Submitted by Phyl Quist

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Alabama

September 19, 2005 - Gadsden

Men's Championship

1. Jerome McCarty	7/0	63.88%
2. Dan Watson	6/1	61.96%
3. Gary Campbell	5/2	49.17%
4. Michael Byram	4/3	48.32%
5. T Roy Brown	2/5	42.14%
6. Ray Chambers	2/5	38.92%
7. Randal Light	2/5	38.63%

Women's Championship

1. Teresa Huff	4/0	46.87%
2. Shannon Moses	2/2	22.66%
3. Mary Sibley	0/4	8.46%

Elder's Championship

1. Orville McElroy	5/1	65.64%
2. James Conaway	4/2	67.64%
3. Louie Watts	3/2	59.73%
4. Jim Harris	3/2	50.04%
5. Ottie Reno		39.37%

Junior Boy's Championship

1. Adam McCutchen	5/0	49.08%
2. Jody Light	4/1	30.76%
3. Michael Miller	3/2	33.17%
4. Mike Byram	2/3	30.70%
5. Ryan Schrest	1/4	25.54%

Men's Classes

B Mickey Hale	5/1	36.33%
C Danny Cannon	5/0	30.00%
D Phil Bragg	4/1	36.80%
E Glen Daugherty	6/1	29.19%
F Steven Cantrell	4/1	19.00%

Junior Boy's Class

B Cody Segrest	5/1	33.33%
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Alberta Provincials

Innisfail, Alberta - July 1 & 2, 2005

Men's Class A

1. Terry Steinke	9/3	57.40%
2. Alvin Nanninga	8/4	51.52%
3. George Fryingpan	7/5	48.56%
4. Casey Vanderlinden	4/8	44.75%
5. Lyle Olmstead	2/3	50.43%

Women's Class A

1. Ina Fryingpan	10/3	49.32%
2. Jane Cordingly	9/4	57.77%
3. Myrna Kissick	5/6	57.32%
4. Joanne Nanninga	4/8	47.04%
5. Winnona Kilbourn	2/9	44.46%

Elder's 30 Feet Class A

1. Len Scheibner	8/4	56.01%
2. Red Gilmore	7/5	55.07%
3. Ron Pudwell	6/6	54.55%
4. Gordon Befus	3/9	45.29%

Senior Women's Class A

1. Bonnie Clemmensen	10/0	61.01%
2. Bert Popovich	7/3	33.82%
3. Hazel Heistad	4/6	40.68%
4. Jean Brousseau	4/6	36.94%
5. Enid Dewald	4/6	31.54%
6. Hilda Wegner	1/9	26.00%

Junior Boy's Class A

1. Bryce Thomas	11/1	35.00%
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Senior Men's 40 Feet Class A

1. Bill Hinds	11/1	40.10%
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Men's Classes

B Bob Sanderson	10/2	48.75%
C David Kilbourn	9/3	22.29%

Women's Classes

B Barbara Fryingpan	10/2	41.04%
C Lianne Rowe	10/2	32.08%

Elder's 30 Feet Classes

B Henry Dewald	10/2	47.71%
C Ove Clemmensen	8/4	40.50%
D Ernie Graham	7/5	19.38%

Arkansas State Championships

Mountain Home-September 3-5, 2005

Men's Championship

1. Ray Lucas	8/2	54.47%
2. Ray Bailey	7/3	53.51%
3. David Mallory	6/3	47.33%
4. Dewayne Moody	6/3	47.06%

5. Paul Davis	4/5	45.63%
6. Jimmy Casey	3/6	46.12%
7. T.K. Gibson	3/6	43.31%
8. Eddie Falls	3/6	41.19%
9. Billy Gill	3-6	40.52%
10. Craig Sears	2-7	40.20%

Women's Championship

1. Rhonda Kimbrell	6/1	47.60%
2. Delores Falls	5/2	46.79%
3. Raylynn Marlow	1/5	35.92%
4. Dianne Morgan	1/5	26.73%

Junior Boy's Championship

1. Heath Clayborn	6/0	14.64%
2. Wayne Weaver	5/1	12.85%
3. Daniel Hill	1/5	2.91%
4. Cameron Brown	1/5	2.08%

Junior Girl's Championship

1. Taylor Easley	4/0	13.75%
2. Kristen Hatchett	3/1	3.75%
3. Kayla Hatchett	2/2	2.00%
4. Kelsey Hatchett	1/3	3.12%

5. Katelyn Hatchett 0/4 1.87%

Men's Classes

A Allan Clark	
B Gail Sherrill	
C Kurt Wilson	
D Clay Brown	
E Keith Clayborn	
F Craig Rippetto	

Women's Class

A Jo Clayborn

Mixed Class

A Darrell Norman

British Columbia Championships
Penticton - September 3 & 4, 2005

Men's Class A

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3. Walter Kinakin	4/4	45.12%
4. Roy Dawe	3/5	38.57%
5. Fred Ormiston	0/8	30.00%

Women's Class A

1. Elyse Brunelle	9/1	66.25%
2. Doreen Mulooin	7/3	62.06%
3. Carol Ormiston	7/3	56.44%
4. Ida Boschman	5/5	46.87%
5. Cheryl Degraaf	2/8	40.65%
6. Elaine Stern	0/10	29.84%

Elder's 30 Feet Class A

1. Neil Yaskow	8/2	59.22%
2. Wilf Gregory	7/3	57.89%
3. Murray Rayner	6/4	51.59%
4. Gordon Snyder	5/5	52.09%
5. Mel McClelland	4/6	36.38%

Junior Boy's Class A

1. Kevin Cuthbert	4/6	53.48%
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Junior Girl's Class A

1. Jessica Degraaf	1/6	8.13%
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Men's Classes

B Al Gushta	8/2	40.31%
C Allan Cummings	8/1	39.28%
D Tom Harris	9/1	19.59%
E Chris MacDonald	8/1	21.30%

Women's Classes

B Carol Wilkinson	8/3	48.61%
C Verna Weingardt	7/4	38.22%
D Carol Perry	9/1	32.36%
E Pauline Tuttle	8/0	23.22%

Elder's 30 Feet Classes

B Ernie Connolly	9/2	50.17%
C Ken Mount	7/4	33.62%
D Ted Peters	8/3	30.33%
E Roger Helgeson	8/2	25.77%
F Cliff Bailey	5/1	24.05%

Junior Boy's Class

B Sam Degraaf	6/1	22.76%
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California State Championships

Davis, CA - September 3-4, 2005

Men's Championship Class

1. Chuck Seal	8/2	63.11%
2. Keith Boone	7/3	57.61%
3. Nathan Williams	7/6	59.20%
4. Paul Hopkins	6/3	51.94%
5. Lance Hahaj	5/4	49.49%
6. Rick Birmingham	4/5	57.29%
7. Jesse Gonzales	4/5	52.98%
8. Jeff Williams	4/5	46.29%
9. Jim Atwell	2/7	46.43%
10. Dale Tex	0/9	28.85%

Elder Men's 30' Championship Class

1. Don Kies	8/1	68.44%
2. Raymond Kinores	7/2	62.13%
3. Flash Mathenia	7/2	58.29%
4. Bob Birge	6/3	61.22%
5. Tom Munoz	5/4	62.04%
6. Teddy Guillotte	3/6	57.38%
7. Bill Brown	3/6	45.65%
8. Ron O'Blenes	2/7	49.55%
9. George Reeder	2/7	47.51%
10. Bill Milligan	2/7	47.10%

Women's Championship Class

1. Kim Stockli	10/0	65.25%
2. Elaine Butcher	6/4	51.91%
3. Foa Remillong	5/5	49.56%
4. Linda Hoelscher	4/6	51.83%
5. Lois Edwards	4/6	45.51%
6. Frances Lopez	1/9	41.30%

Senior Men's Championship Class

1. John Sylvester	10/0	56.72%
2. Dave Loucks	6/4	50.00%
3. Andy Loobey	5/5	47.55%
4. Ben Yost	4/6	44.58%
5. Hal Griswold	3/7	42.98%
6. Don Williams	2/8	44.83%

Junior Girl's Championship Class

1. Amy Horton	4/0	35.00%
2. Jennifer Atwell	2/2	8.84%
3. Lisa Atwell	2/2	3.10%
4. Nicole Salmen	1/3	7.77%

Junior Boy's Championship Class

1. Daniel Wharton	1/3	12.86%
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Junior Boys and Girls 9 and Under Class

1. Travis Sluys	3.0/1.0	4.17%
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2. Lauren "Nikki" Williams	2.5/1.5	4.17%
3. Matthew Williams	0.5/3.5	0.83%

Men's Classes

A Jonathan Williams	11/0	55.91%
B Kevin Jones	10/2	40.00%
C Efrem Bravo	10/2	32.92%
D Dave Black	10.5/0.5	33.64%
E Duane McGrath	9/2	25.68%
F LeeRoy Lassiter	10/0	24.00%
G Bill Falser	9.5/1.5	32.27%
H Rico Ceccarelli	12/2	21.61%

Elder Men's 30' Classes

A Mel Roberts	9/2	48.18%
B George Simon	9.5/1.5	43.41%
C Bill Lawson	9.5/1.5	26.82%

Women's Classes

A Linda Lockwood	12/2	52.14%
B Mary Ten Kate	14/0	26.07%

Senior Men's Classes

A Leroy Whittle	8/1	35.83%
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Junior Boys and Girl's Class

A Base Rice	4/1	9.20%
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Canadian Horseshoe Championships

Halifax, Nova Scotia - August 10-13, 2005

Men's Class A

1. Colin Finnie	12/4	65.99%
2. Tom Gallina	11/5	66.12%
3. Andre Leclere	10/6	64.96%
4. Duncan McKenzie	10/6	63.53%
5. Alvin Nanninga	9/7	59.64%
6. Stan Leis	8/8	58.13%
7. Terry Steinke	5/11	53.55%
8. Ray Hebert	5/11	53.23%
9. Barry Slaunwhite	2/14	54.07%

Women's Class A

1. Sylvianne Moisan	11/1	79.96%
2. Lucille Leis	9/3	68.55%
3. Lucy Thibault	7/5	64.83%
4. Angeline Moisan	6/6	64.20%
5. Ina Fryingpan	5/7	56.44%
6. Bonnie Clemmensen	4/8	56.22%
7. Joanne Nanninga	0/12	43.93%

Elder's 30 Ft. Class A

1. Jack Adams	11/4	58.44%
2. Wilfred Gregory	9/6	55.90%
3. John Snell	9/6	54.70%
4. George Barton	7/8	53.99%
5. Ron Pudwell	7/8	52.17%
6. Jules Liebaert	2/13	40.15%

Senior Men's 40 Ft. Class A

1. Hughie McKenzie	13/2	50.00%
2. Charlie Fromm	10/5	47.34%
3. Vern Tyacke	7/8	38.84%
4. Earl Vanderhart	7/8	35.23%
5. Edmond Manuel	6/9	36.58%
6. Larry Markle	2/13	35.12%

Senior Ladies Class A

1. Bonnie Clemmensen	4/8	56.22%
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Junior Boy's Class A

1. Drew Becker	12/0	65.42%
2. Mark Harrison	4/8	38.86%
3. Bryce Thomas	2/10	33.20%

Junior Girl's Class A

1. Raquel Schaefer	12/0	43.50%
2. Jessica Deline	8/4	22.33%
3. Jaala Curran	7/5	13.16%
4. Samantha Johnson	3/9	3.48%
5. Shivanne Arnold	0/12	1.32%

Men's Classes

B Harold Tatton	14/1	48.66%
C Wally Arnold	13/2	36.16%
D Doug Whitton	13/3	36.09%
E Remi Poirier	13/2	23.66%

Women's Classes

B Clara Allard	13/3	50.15%
C Darlene Rathburn	12/3	37.66%
D Linda Ferrill	8/4	23.19%

Elder's 30 Ft. Classes

B Victor Mosher	11/4	50.16%
C John Jansen	14/1	50.66%
D Al Charters	11/1	30.83%

Colorado State Championship

Edgewater, CO - September 3, 2005

Men's Championship

1. Paul LaCrosse	7/0	65.58%
2. Rich Pintor	5/2	58.91%
3. Marcos Munoz	5/2	58.33%
4. Daniel Martinez	5/2	46.43%
5. Dan McGrew	2/5	43.59%
6. Don Conklin	2/5	39.33%
7. Fred Shepard	1/6	42.99%
8. Bob Hunt	1/6	36.61%

Women's Championship

1. Sheila Shepard	4/0	63.10%
2. Lou Conklin	2/2	52.91%
3. Beverly Anderson	0/4	42.47%

Elder's Championship

1. Tony Paiz	5/0	61.92%
2. Dee Powell	3/2	65.33%
3. Carl Carlton	3/2	58.85%
4. Gordon Carlson	2/3	59.44%
5. Ed Shepard	2/3	49.18%
6. Jim Conlin	0/5	51.10%

Junior's Championship

1. Brad Wilson	6/1	42.14%
2. Jonathan Byrd	5/2	38.21%
3. Aaron Diaz	2/4	29.58%
4. Tim Taylor	0/6	23.33%

Men's Classes

A Marcos Munoz	8/0	60.63%
B Mel Yockstock	7/0	41.07%
C Everett Snead	7/2	33.57%
D Alan Desjardins	7/0	27.50%
E Robert Pintor	6/0	27.87%
F Richard Sewell	4/1	13.50%

Mixed Class

G Judy Hutchinson	6/0	20.83%
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Women's Classes

A Lou Conklin	3/1	51.25%
B Jeanette Romero	7/1	31.79%

Elder's Classes

A Jim Conlin	7/0	54.64%
B Lou Daunora	5/1	41.13%
C Larry Riley	4/0	38.13%

Junior's Class

A Justin Wilson	7/1	17.97%
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Illinois State Championships

Men's Championship

1. Larry Knop	10/2	67.47%
2. Robert Schaver	9/3	63.31%
3. Gary Ulrich	8/3	68.49%
4. Charlie Webb	8/3	66.85%
5. Leon Johnson	6/5	59.19%
6. George Huntington	6/5	55.63%
7. Michael Knop	4/7	55.32%
8. Lester Dumstorff	4/7	54.32%
9. Dennis Griesbaum	4/7	51.98%
10. Bob Vandivier	4/7	48.67%
11. Jerry Dumstorff	3/8	52.86%
12. Les Mullen	1/10	42.44%

Women's Championship

1. Kelly Russell	11/0	57.01%
2. Michele Thornton	9/2	48.70%
3. Sharon Preston	8/3	49.61%
4. Diane Linzer	7/4	50.00%
5. Patty Bailey	7/4	47.60%
6. Linda Roach	7/4	46.03%
7. June Yohn	5/6	42.27%
8. Carolyn Mullins	5/6	36.18%
9. Katherine Moore	3/8	33.33%
10. Dorothy Hack	3/8	31.85%
11. Tina Press	1/10	25.83%
12. Glenda Robison	0/11	21.49%

30' Men's Championship

1. Ervin Starwalt	8/0	63.43%
2. Robert Pluckebaum	5/3	55.05%
3. Roger Reinebach	3/5	42.12%
4. Donald Mantz	3/5	47.42%

Junior Boy's Championship

1. Gage Elder	4/1	44.80%
2. Austin Bailey	3/2	43.60%
3. Matt Lanctot	2/2	36.00%
4. John Brower	1/3	36.50%
5. Cory Grounds	1/3	32.00%

Junior Girl's Championship

1. Megan Goatley	6/2	11.67%
2. Kristin Koonce	5/3	7.08%
3. Adrienne Koonce	4/3	12.86%

4. Abra Brower	4/3	9.05%
5. Leah Marvin	4/3	3.81%
6. Brynn Elder	3/4	5.24%
7. Jasmine Pierce	2/5	2.86%
8. Caitlyn Strader	1/6	2.38%
Men's Classes		
B Mike Green	9/2	51.14%
C David Lanctot	9/3	42.71%
D Charles Smith	10/2	36.82%
E Marvin Robers	10/1	42.27%
F Skip Logan	11/0	40.68%
G Jesse Starwalt	9/1	31.75%
H Robert Block	11/0	30.45%
I Dave Mothershead, Sr	8/1	25.28%
J Fred Linzer	8/1	18.68%
Women's Class		
B Judy Long	10/1	40.00%
30' Men's Class		
B Russell Dockstader	7/2	28.64%
Junior Boy's Classes		
B Brandon Baxley	6/0	34.33%
C Brody Elder	4/0	17.00%
Indiana State Championship		
September 3 - 4, 2005		
Men's Championship		
1. Darrell Sherrard	8/1	60.70%
2. Mark Seibold	7/2	64.53%
3. Russell Baker	6/3	60.78%
4. Glen Htner	6/3	59.83%
5. Ralph Guffey	5/4	59.11%
6. Pat Laffoon	4/5	55.02%
7. Ron Womack	3/6	55.70%
8. Gary Pearman	3/6	46.71%
9. Glen Hoppes	2/7	48.25%
10. Toby Young	1/8	42.25%
Women's Championship		
1. Mary Lee Claise	5/1	70.96%
2. Carolyn Coyle	4/2	65.58%
3. Nancy Yaros	3/2	63.76%
4. Jenny Morris	3/2	59.05%
5. Wendi Martin	1/4	39.67%
6. Sharon Chiddister	0/5	34.71%
Elder's Championship		
1. Carl Sizemore	6/1	73.40%
2. Dale Kirtley	5/2	57.89%
3. Curly Seibold	4/3	55.74%
4. Bob Sheppard	4/3	54.68%
5. Joe Graber	3/4	54.88%
6. John Cowen	3/4	48.36%
7. Bob Wolfinger	2/5	44.63%
8. Dick Price	1/6	48.11%
Junior Boy's Championship		
1. Lee Seibold	3/0	62.73%
2. Jaron Simpson	0/3	35.45%
Men's Classes		
A Fred Gross	6/2	58.79%
B Rick Taylor	7/0	45.18%
C John Passmore	7/2	36.99%
D Bruce Patterson	6/1	46.38%
E Phil Marciniak	6/1	29.09%
F Cole Taylor	5.5/1.5	25.00%
G Art Ullom	4/0	31.18%
H Dusty Brown	5/0	21.60%
I Larry Kenda	3/1	19.90%
30' Classes		
A Eugene Powell	7/0	54.14%
B Frank Adams	5/1	48.24%
C Clayton Whirley	5/0	43.36%
D Kristy Swisher	5/0	22.73%
Kentucky State Championships		
Richmond - September 3, 2005		
Men's Class A		
1. Tony Hankins	9/1	62.6%
2. Walter Mullins	8/2	66.1%
3. Bill Garrett	6/3	53.3%
4. Robert Taylor	6/3	50.0%
5. Jim Culver	4/5	49.5%
6. Michael Worley	4/5	48.9%
7. Bobby Robinson	3/6	51.9%
8. Lou Colpitts	3/6	46.9%
9. Jim Peavley	3/6	42.3%
10. Brian Tungate	0/9	27.3%

Women's Class A		
1. Becky Kemper	3/2	80.9%
2. Sue Snyder	2/3	77.9%
Elder Men's Class A		
1. Johnny Jones	3/2	60.8%
2. Cecil Cook	2/3	63.2%
Junior Boy's Class A		
1. J.D. Mullins	2/3	54.8%
20 Ft. Junior's Class A		
1. Tyler Howard	3/2	59.6%
Men's Classes		
B Lou Colpitts	8/0	49.1%
C Don Hayes	6/0	41.0%
D Martin Wyatt	5/1	30.7%
E Alton Stone	6/0	29.0%
F Dave Jansen	6/1	17.7%
Women's Classes		
B Bridgett Rose	3/2	50.0%
C Vicky Brown	3/1	33.5%
Elder Men's Class		
B George Applegate	3/0	60.7%

Manitoba Provincial Championships		
July 16, 2005		
Men's Class A		
1. Philip Ironstand	4/2	37.79%
2. Robert Gosselin	3/3	36.07%
3. Levis Malo	2/4	36.58%
Women's Class A		
1. Sharon Cloud	6/0	42.97%
2. Shirley Ann Fisher	3/3	29.49%
Elder's 30 Feet Class A		
1. Ivan Fisher	6/1	36.56%
2. Dave Kliever	5/2	36.47%
Men's Class		
B Boyd Kliever	2/5	18.50%
Women's Class		
B Florette Vincent	2/4	23.63%

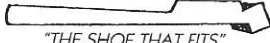
Maryland State Championships		
Baltimore, MD		
Men's Class A (Championship)		
1. Mandel Proctor	9/0	62.73%
2. Zachary Watters Jr.	7/2	47.98%
3. Eric Zimmerman	6/3	49.54%
4. Jimmy Bartlett	6/3	45.81%
5. William Kidwell	4/5	44.18%
6. Charles Bullock	4/5	43.53%
7. James Stewart	4/5	43.22%
8. Francis Shepherd	3/6	43.16%

9. Terry Brown	2/7	40.98%
Women's Class A (Championship)		
1. Mary Eversole	6/0	54.40%
2. Jane Barthlow	4/2	44.50%
3. Claudette Braswell	2/4	39.58%
Junior Boy's Class A (Championship)		
1. Zachary Short	2/0	19.40%
2. Marsal Warrick	0/2	9.06%
Men's Classes		
B Lewis Adkins	7/0	41.57%
C Dave Raab	7/0	37.50%
D Arvo Mikkonen	6/1	36.16%
E John Downs	7/1	26.57%
F Eddie Ellison	6/0	26.87%
Women's Class		
B Joyce Durbin	2/0	16.18%

Michigan State Championships		
Lansing - September 3-5, 2005		
Men's Championship Class		
1. Tom Williams	12/2	67.99%
2. Bob Williams, Jr.	11/3	56.99%
3. Douglas Bailey	10/4	61.70%
4. Andy Matthews	7/7	52.56%
5. Larry Kemp	7/7	47.94%
6. Robert Wyn	5/9	49.40%
7. Gordon Rogers	2/12	36.73%
8. Clayton Bonham	2/12	35.46%
Elder's Championship Class		
1. Jim Wiltse	10/2	66.10%
2. Steve Summerlin	10/3	55.62%
3. Jack Gensman	9/3	63.02%
4. "Dewey" Howard	7/4	63.79%
5. Bill Tedrick	7/4	54.61%
6. Oscar Rednour	7/4	54.05%
7. Ray Wickman	6/5	55.35%
8. Ray Saenz	6/5	52.79%
9. Clayton Champion	3/8	46.50%
Women's Championship Class		
1. Judy Curtiss	11/0	78.92%
2. Judy Dennis	10/1	53.73%
Junior Boy's Championship Class		
1. Joshua Carr		64.26%
Junior Girl's Championship Class		
1. Krystle Price	6/0	24.10%
Men's Classes		
B Fred Smith, Jr.	11/0	52.90%
C Dennis Soldan	11/2	40.28%
D Paul Mattson	9/2	42.13%
E George Pollington	11/2	30.28%
F Larry Murdzia	8/1	21.05%

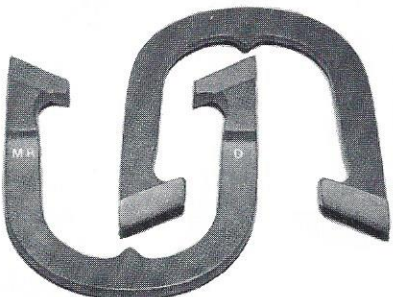


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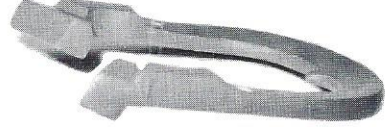
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30' Mixed Classes

B Jan Decker	7/4	45.64%
C Stan Sherman	11/2	44.61%
D Cay Newhouse	9/1	33.95%
E Norma Hansen	9/1	20.04%

Junior's Class

B Clayton Bonham III	6/1	36.42%
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Minnesota State Championships

Men's Class A

1. Dale Lipovsky	7/0	72.92%
2. Gerald Stangland	4/3	62.21%
3. Dave Hughes	4/3	61.73%
4. Dick Dvorak	4/3	55.32%
5. Jerry Hokkala	3/4	55.27%
6. Dick Moen	3/4	51.60%
7. Jerry LaBrosse	2/5	55.45%
8. Eric Sandquist	1/6	55.10%

Women's Class A

1. Jan Turnquist	5/0	68.80%
2. Bev Nathe	4/1	69.60%
3. Edi Holland	3/2	58.92%
4. Mary Matuke	2/3	56.01%
5. Marlys Timm	1/4	48.14%
6. Christy Weyer	0/5	43.80%

Elder's Class A

1. Harold Schrader	4/1	55.50%
2. Lloyd Wolf	3/2	57.69%
3. Roger Harp	3/2	55.47%
4. Jim Wagner	2/3	55.46%
5. Bill Larson	2/3	53.35%
6. Dale Hustad	1/4	47.61%

Senior Men's Class A

1. Bert Logsdon	6/1	63.55%
2. Ray Volkers	5/2	49.14%
3. Jim Aleckson	1/4	39.00%

Junior Boy's Class A

1. Matthew Korpela	6/0	68.80%
2. Trenton Filley	4/2	57.83%
3. Neil Vance	2/4	41.17%
4. Aaron Mead	0/6	40.00%

Junior Girl's Class A

1. Crystal Sheehan	3/2	39.33%
2. Crysta Hughes	3/3	28.49%
3. Nicole Lilly	2/3	28.12%

Men's Classes

B Jerry Hokkala	6/1	55.71%
C Dick Moen	7/0	55.14%
D Stanley Barney	7/0	48.28%
E Van Vanyo	7/0	47.14%
F Mike Holz	7/0	40.00%
G Greg J. Benson	6/1	44.29%
H Gene Booker	6/1	30.00%
I Rob Hagman	5/2	38.28%
J Tom Strandquist	7/0	37.42%
K David Kelly	5/2	23.14%
L Dennis Brown	6/1	17.10%
M Joe Dallman	6/1	10.57%
N Rodney Erickson	7/0	22.50%

Women's Classes

B Marlys Timm	5/0	60.80%
C Janet Lundquist	6/1	37.14%
D Marilyn Schreiner	7/0	44.00%

Elder's Classes

B Lars Hemmingson	5/0	54.40%
C Norm Wunderlich	5/0	41.60%
D Sherlen Rodi	5/0	40.80%
E Wally Anderson	6.5/0.5	37.85%

Senior Men's Class

B Ward Lutz	5/1	28.00%
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Junior Boy's Class

B Joey Mueller	5/0	30.50%
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Junior Mixed Class

C Cody Benson	5/0	16.80%
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Missouri State Championship

Jefferson City, MO - September 2-5, 2005

Men's Championship

1. Stan Griggs	10/1	60.1%
2. Randall Grady	8/3	63.3%
3. M.O. Turner	8/3	59.6%
4. Rich Altis	6/5	54.6%

5. Jim Renfro	6/5	54.6%
6. Dale Parrott	6/5	54.0%
7. Steve Johnson	5/6	58.7%
8. Charles Killgore	5/6	52.7%
9. Tim Henderson	5/6	50.7%
10. Ronald Legrand	4/7	48.0%
11. Edward Pashia	2/9	51.4%
12. Bob Renfro	1/10	40.6%

Women's Championship

1. Rose Diekamp	7/0	64.2%
2. Cori Stoverink	5/2	55.1%
3. Pam Henderson	4/3	54.1%
4. Jill Knobbe	4/3	45.1%
5. Audra Craven	3/4	45.6%
6. Mary Beeson	2/5	40.8%
7. Jeanette Claas	2/5	36.0%
8. Roena Branson	1/6	43.0%

Senior's Championship

1. Sam Carter	7/1	53.2%
2. Marvin Gray	6/2	50.0%
3. Mick Gillette	5/2	54.1%
4. Wayne Barber	4/3	40.5%
5. Gregg Craven	3/4	40.1%
6. Bob Outt	2/5	34.7%
7. Jerry Weller	2/5	34.6%

30 Ft. Men's Championship

1. Tom Ebers	7/1	69.4%
2. Frank Hudson	7/2	59.2%
3. Bob Long	6/2	60.7%
4. Oden Sullivan	4/3	57.8%
5. Carlyle Gricks Jr.	2/5	50.0%
6. Don Enke	2/5	47.4%
7. Paul Taylor	2/5	44.7%

Junior Boys Championship

1. Jake Kluesner	5/0	59.4%
2. Kory Kluesner	4/1	48.1%
3. Michael Bowman	3/2	51.3%
4. Martin Williams	2/3	50.7%
5. Justin Riley	1/4	31.9%
6. Chip Sloan	0/5	37.3%

Junior Girls Championship

1. Erika Bowman	5/0	25.0%
2. Tori Vandeven	4/1	31.9%
3. Hayley Dykes	3/2	13.8%
4. Megan Riley	2/3	11.9%
5. Natalie Altis	1/4	6.3%

Peewee Championship

1. Nathan Evers	3/0	33.3%
2. Felcia Gwinn	2/1	4.4%
3. Gabe Heathman	1/2	1.7%

4. Noah Heathman	0/3	0.0%
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Men's Classes

A Dan Hobbs	6/1	55.0%
B Mike Fadler	6/1	45.1%
C Glenn Bowman	7/0	42.5%
D Wayne Dusenbery	6/3	35.8%
E Steve Steck	7/0	33.9%
F Stan Bailey	6/2	27.8%
G Edward Boyer	7/1	31.9%
H Richard Bandy	7/0	37.1%
I Larry Riley	5/1	27.3%
J Rusty Dominique	7/1	32.8%
K Richard Dudenhoefter	6/1	22.2%
L August Dudenhoefter Jr.	6/2	20.0%
M Oren Harris	7/2	14.6%
N Michael Elder	7/0	13.9%

Women's Classes

A Letha Harris	6/1	43.0%
B Suzanne Evans	6/1	23.8%
C Mary Ann Ell	6/1	39.6%
D June Thompson	6/1	34.5%
E Julie Dominique	6/1	25.0%

Senior's Classes

A Ron Hassler	7/0	51.3%
B Lee Roy Wisdom	7/0	38.8%

30 Ft. Men's Classes

A Bob Fortner	7/0	51.8%
B Harold Hoffmeister	6/1	50.0%
C Earl Winston	5/0	50.4%
D Donald Isaacson	5/0	41.6%
E Lile Harper	5/0	33.6%

Junior Boy's Class

A Daniel Allen	7/1	26.4%
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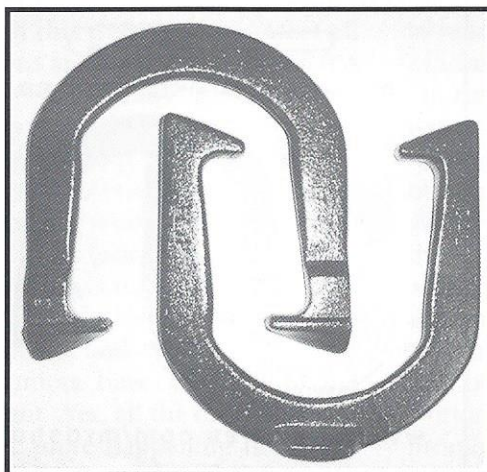
Montana State Championships

Missoula, MT - August 27 - 28, 2005

Men's Championship

1. Richard Hansen	11/3	44.85%
2. Steve Ketterling	9/5	46.07%

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3. Marcus Mosness	7/7	49.28%
4. Darrell Beckwith	7/7	44.36%
5. John Germann	7/7	40.42%
6. Jack Boston	5/9	41.07%
7. Al Dige	5/9	39.64%
8. Jack Price	5/9	37.32%
Men's Classes		
B Mat Urlick	10/4	37.67%
C Dean Bennett	12/2	33.33%
D Randy Josephson	10/4	24.10%
E Sonny Boyer	11/5	19.37%

**New Brunswick Championships
July 17, 2005**

Men Class A		
1. Ray Hebert	7/0	58.26%
2. Weldon Richardson, Jr.	6/1	40.00%
3. Bernie Devine	5/2	52.72%
4. Edmond Manuel	3/4	38.03%
5. Darryl Hansen	3/4	25.68%
6. Patrick Despres	2/5	40.83%
7. Adam Hanlin	2/5	32.64%
Women's Class A		
1. Darlene Rathburn	5/1	36.63%
2. Mary Hansen	4/2	30.83%
3. Mabel Rasch	0/6	19.82%

Elder's 30 Ft. Class A		
1. George Barton	6/0	45.53%
2. Gery Leblanc	5/1	33.47%
3. Ernest Sperl	4/2	41.74%
Men's Classes		
B Gary Lister	7/1	34.58%
C Louis Trzop	7/0	38.51%
D Mark Mosher	6/2	33.22%
E Gerald Richard	5/1	24.50%

Elder's 30 Ft. Class		
B Cecil Colwell	3/3	18.85%
New Jersey State Championships		
Men's Championship		
1. Joe McCrink	5/0	73.81%
2. Anthony Esposito	3/2	57.14%
3. John Forti	3/2	53.31%
4. George Egel	3/2	48.11%
5. Rick Fisch	1/4	46.06%
6. George Patrick	0/5	34.34%

Elders/Short Distance Championship		
1. Norman Smith	6/0	51.38%
2. Ed Quigley	4/2	39.04%
Juniors Championship		
1. John Wright	4/0	5.00%
2. David Bennet	3/1	3.75%
3. Amanda Wolfenden	2/2	3.75%
4. Steve Wright	1/3	0.00%
5. Jessica Wolfenden	0/4	0.63%

Men's Classes		
A Al Fenimore	5/1	44.57%
B Larry Thomason	6/2	39.58%
C Melvin Elmer	6/2	16.13%
D Pat O'Connor	6/1	17.35%
Elders/Short Distance Classes		
A Howard Ramer	5/1	47.06%
B Les Bennet	6/0	23.21%

North Carolina State Championships September 10, 2005		
Men's Championship		
1. Paul Stewart	5/0	60.00%
2. Rick Bolick, Sr.	4/1	59.02%
3. NA Moore	2/3	55.77%
4. Dufay Pearson	2/3	48.45%
5. Jake Hoff	2/3	46.90%
6. Buck Prewette	0/5	49.63%

Women's Championship		
1. Rivers Prewette	4/0	77.56%
2. Janet Manning	2/2	53.09%
3. Marie Alley	2/2	52.98%
4. Carolyn Lloyd	2/2	48.98%
5. Sheila Bolick	0/4	42.70%
Elder's Championship		
1. Joe Young	3/0	69.38%
2. Calvin Motsinger	0/3	60.00%

Junior Boy's Championship		
1. Stephen Vernon	4/0	49.48%
2. Justin Elliott	3/1	37.61%
3. Justin Skinner	1/3	33.47%

4. Eric Lee Guiton	0/4	34.00%
Junior Girl's Championship		
1. Brandi Hall	4/0	31.31%
Men's Classes		
A Ronnie Joines	7/1	50.71%
B Ronnie Elliott	6/2	38.44%
C Jack Hundley	6/2	43.13%
D Robert Lee	6/1	38.21%
E Sheb Tharrington	5/3	30.31%
F Danny Randolph	6/2	31.56%
G Ray Stradley	7/0	30.71%
Junior's Class		
A Ryan Wood	3/0	13.33%

Nova Scotia Championships July 23, 2005		
Men's Class A		
1. Barry Slaunwhite	9/1	59.36%
2. Duncan McKenzie	8/2	66.67%
3. Kevin Bruhm	4/6	41.01%
4. Jerry Marr	4/6	36.17%
5. Mike Riley	3/7	37.50%
6. Hughie McKenzie	2/8	41.21%
Elder's 30 Ft. Class A		
1. Victor Mosher	7/1	51.88%
2. Gus O'Quinn	5/3	46.88%
3. John McNeil	3/5	27.50%
4. Wilfred Edwards	3/5	26.88%
5. Bill McNeil	2/6	25.00%
Men's Classes		
B Bernie Walker	6/1	44.81%
C Ralph Campbell	6/1	36.19%
D Bruce McKenzie	10/2	30.42%

Ohio State Championships Greenville - September 2 - 5, 2005		
Men's Class A		
1. Alan Francis	11/0	89.79%
2. Jim Walters	10/1	70.57%
3. Bob Lautenschleger	8/3	68.79%
4. Gary Roberts	6/5	62.02%
5. Ron Potts	5/6	63.79%
6. Doug Crawford	5/6	60.27%
7. Darrin Potts	4/7	58.89%
8. Rex Uhrig	4/7	57.59%
9. Robert Garber Jr.	4/7	53.65%
10. Virgil Rife	3/8	61.61%
11. John Singleton	3/8	56.20%
12. Rich Knerem, Sr.	3/8	55.22%

Women's Class A		
1. Ruth Rife	5/0	64.17%
2. Amy Francis	4/1	63.03%
3. Donna Dodson	3/2	52.63%
4. Tonja Pettit	2/3	50.79%
5. Jan Melick	1/4	45.26%
6. Dianna Guill	0/5	29.33%
Elder Men's 30' Class A		
1. Paul Burkitt	4/2	65.51%
2. Herschel McCollister	4/3	61.86%
3. Jim Blaker	3/3	62.03%
4. Dick Honigford	2/3	63.64%
5. Bill Treisch	2/3	62.28%
6. Bud England	2/3	59.20%

Junior Boy's Class A		
1. Adam Garver	5/0	75.74%
2. Travis Uhrig	3/2	50.38%
3. Jason Fisher	3/2	47.97%
4. Benjamin Grooms	1/4	48.33%
Junior Girl's Class A		
1. Abby Hogan	3/0	48.53%

Junior 20' Class A		
1. R J Spaller	3/2	50.41%
Men's Classes		
B Jeff Garver	9/2	64.51%
C John Knapp, Sr.	9/2	55.42%
D Woody Melick	9.5/1.5	45.02%
E Paul Clay	9/2	46.00%
F Mark Coppess	9/2	45.45%
G Daryl Conover	6/1	35.06%
H Clarence 'Jim' Hyatt	6/1	38.32%
I Irvin Fraley	6.5/0.5	33.64%
J Bob Garrett	6/1	36.54%
K Ed Waymire	6/1	37.67%
L Gregory Betz	5/2	21.60%

N Tracy Schilling	6.5/0.5	27.70%
O Larry Harmon	4/1	14.46%
P Ron Grandstaff	5/0	30.63%
Women's Classes		
B Bev Hittle	5/0	45.91%
C Karen Dudley	5/0	41.85%
Elder Men's 30' Classes		
B Dave Ackley	5/1	52.33%
C Roger Yocom	4.5/0.5	48.35%
D Harley Thomas	3/2	42.92%
E Steve Powers	6/0	43.85%
Junior Classes		
B Mathew Hummel	5/0	42.05%

Oklahoma State Championship September 3, 2005		
Men's Championship		
1. Tom Goff	5/0	56.52%
2. Gary Wood	3/2	46.67%
3. Jerry Holt	3/2	42.48%
4. Glenn King	2/3	48.43%
5. David Davis	2/3	47.69%
6. Joe Tiger	0/5	41.39%
Women's Championship		
1. Rebecca Glenn	5/0	64.80%
2. Kathy Sullivan	3/2	55.00%
3. Barbara Goff	3/2	45.70%
4. Candace Tiger	3/2	44.67%
5. Tina Hawkins	1/4	47.97%
6. Alyeene Hensley	0/5	43.65%

Elder Men's 30' Championship		
1. Harold Gaston	6/0	58.75%
2. Willard Brakhage	3/3	49.43%
3. Tom Cook	3/3	40.34%

Junior Boy's Championship		
1. Logan Harper	6/0	33.75%
Men's Classes		
A David Davis	6/0	48.38%
B Mike Deer	5/1	30.42%
C Joe Tiger	6/0	31.50%
D Leon Strain	5/0	12.50%
E Johny Vanderburg	5/0	7.50%

Women's Classes		
A Rebecca Glenn	6/0	65.00%
B Ardith King	6/1	23.57%
Elder Men's 30' Classes		
A Clyde Matthews	5/1	37.19%
B Ed Dubbs	6/1	26.00%
Elder Men's Handicap 30' Class		
A G.E. Majors	5/1	33.75%
Junior Boy's Class		
A Tyler Harper	4/2	22.92%

Ontario Championships Wellesley, Ontario - July 9-10, 2005		
Men's Class A		
1. Ronald Parisien	13/1	67.15%
2. Frank Weaver, Sr.	11/3	62.75%
3. Kevin McLachlin	9/5	60.20%
4. Steve Hohl	7/7	57.32%
5. Edward Neeb	7/7	56.33%
6. Andrew Kutsch	4/10	54.18%
7. Dennis Riley	4/10	50.57%
8. Ike Eichhorn	1/13	49.36%

Women's Class A		
1. Carol Kurt	12/2	50.00%
2. Cecile Ross	11/3	53.88%
3. Cathy Rice	10/4	51.86%
4. Jean Roseboom	7/7	43.11%
5. Marie Hartman	7/7	41.82%
6. Kim Miller	5/9	48.32%
7. Tamara Becker	4/10	45.41%
8. Connie Jean Bird	0/14	31.26%

Elder's 30 Feet Class A		
1. Bernie Ashton	5/0	64.01%
2. Harman Earle	4/1	62.98%
3. Keith Lindsay	3/2	56.42%
4. William Arnold	2/3	42.63%
5. Miles Hickling	1/4	44.69%
6. John Snell	0/5	45.14%

Senior Men's 40 Feet Class A		
1. Charlie Fromm	5/2	41.42%
2. Lavergne Butcher	5/3	37.55%
3. Tom Corner	4/3	32.29%

4. Earl Vanderhart	3/3	34.04%
5. Larry Markle	3/3	33.33%
6. David Christoffersen	2/4	27.65%
7. John Jansen	1/5	25.00%

Junior Boy's Class A

1. Drew Becker	8/1	65.70%
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Junior Girl's Class A

1. Joanna Viennau	8/0	26.79%
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Juniors 9 & Under Class A

1. Ariel Baran	4/0	3.65%
2. Nicholas Arnold	1/3	0.62%
3. Bonny Dicaire	1/3	0.60%

Men's Classes

B Kenneth Boyd	6/1	52.46%
C Daniel Sauve	7/0	42.14%
D Gary Gray	7/0	40.71%
E Kevin Challice	6/1	32.50%
F Doug Whitton	7/0	32.85%
G Brian McCall	7/1	29.06%
H Larry Moore	6/2	17.81%
I Max Parker	7/0	21.42%

Women's Classes

B Loretta Nadeau	5/1	41.25%
C Marie Piotto	6/0	40.83%
D Bonnie Lambourne	8/2	19.75%

Elder's 30 Feet Classes

B John Murphy	6/0	48.33%
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Junior Boys Classes

B Alex Viennau	7/2	52.77%
C Andrew Crew	5/1	25.83%

Junior Girl's Class

B Jessica Deline	6/2	17.18%
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Oregon State Championships

Men's Class A

1. Jerry Gorton	5/0	66.66%
2. Jim Postell	3/2	55.97%
3. Bill Graham, Jr.	3/2	66.13%
4. Ed Fogel	2/3	51.81%
5. Rich Augustson	2/3	50.35%
6. Barry Chapelle	0/5	37.50%

Women's Class A

1. Terry Scoville	4/0	45.73%
2. Blanca Dominguez	3/1	45.48%
3. Kathy Warner	2/2	42.70%
4. Tami Gilbert	1/3	41.86%
5. Marge Owens	0/4	23.61%

Elder's Class A

1. Ben Wiedrich	7/1	66.14%
2. Lowell Davis	7/2	56.04%
3. Jim Petersen	6/2	59.38%
4. Marvin Tatchio	4/3	58.12%
5. Joe Manser	3/4	53.14%
6. Harvey Bontrager	1/6	51.69%
7. Rick Rebman	1/6	48.11%
8. Mel Reeser	1/6	41.66%

Junior's Class A

1. Kaleb Gilbert	4/0	26.06%
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Men's Classes

B Don Smalley	7/1	55.26%
C John Adams	6/2	34.36%
D Mjike Hensley	5/1	31.92%
E Lloyd Kilgore	5/1	20.10%

Women's Class

B Jennie Gilbert	4/0	22.68%
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Elder's Classes

B Will Robertson	6/0	48.78%
C Ed Kinonen	6/0	32.08%

Pennsylvania State Tournament Beaver, PA September 3&4, 2005

Men's Championship

1. Kurt Von Kleist	13/2	64.47%
2. Mike Creek	12/3	67.73%
3. Dan Kuchcinski	10/4	62.35%
4. Tom Decker	10/4	59.29%
5. Robert Faidley	8/6	62.36%
6. Steve Strausbaugh	7/7	59.34%
7. Frank McAllen	7/7	57.78%
8. Mike Stasenko	7/7	52.24%
9. Don Miller	6/8	59.52%
10. Steve Kuchcinski	6/8	58.99%
11. Clair Bruce	4/10	54.76%
12. Park Barner	4/10	53.95%

13. Ron Kuchcinski	4/10	53.92%
14. Darle Esh	4/10	52.85%
15. Michael Bell	4/10	47.76%

Women's Championship

1. Shalee Sebastian	5/0	70.53%
2. Dawn Clark	4/1	51.67%
3. Joan Douglas	3/2	51.46%
4. Midge Gaumer	2/3	44.86%
5. Barb Sharp	1/4	32.91%
6. Marilyn McPherson	0/5	16.84%

Elder's Championship

1. Frank Bohun	4/0	79.5%
2. Harold Clippinger	3/1	68.3%
3. Columbus Woods	2/2	64.68%
4. Warren Moore	1/3	65.35%
5. Bill Coon	0/4	54.17%

Junior's Championship

1. Coby Sebastian	5/0	64%
2. Tyler Koah	3/2	38.43%
3. Zach Everetts	3/2	29.55%
4. C.J. Sebastian	2/3	27.86%
5. Zack Reese	2/3	27.06%

Men's Classes

B Vince Neff	7/0	55.49%
C Bill Enslin	6/2	47.74%
D Clyde Wesley Young	6/1	42.55%
E Buck Majors	7/0	40.96%
F Ed Horneman	7/0	39.72%
G Henry Hansen	7/0	35.38%
H Jeff Deyarmin	6/1	37.02%
I Ron Plassmeyer	5/0	41.01%
J Greg Wohar	5/1	25.69%
K Brad Koah	6/0	22.87%

Elder's Classes

B Fred Prechtl	4/0	52.00%
C Alec Shirokey	3/1	41.40%

Junior's Class

B Jared Everetts	5/0	12.93%
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Quebec Provincial Championships

Parc Des Forges, Victoriaville

September 3-4, 2005

Men's Class A

1. Laroche, Lionel	10/1	59.06%
2. Lavoie, Reginald	9/2	55.54%
3. Demers, Sylvain	8/3	57.17%
4. Provencher, Martin	8/3	56.59%
5. Renaud, J-Pierre	7/4	52.39%
6. Prud'homme, Louis	6/5	53.68%
7. Fortier, Daniel	4/7	47.05%
8. Laroche, Gaston	3/8	51.08%
9. McCarthy, Gilles	3/8	48.67%
10. Duford, Arthur	3/8	46.86%
11. Bissonnette, Richard	3/8	44.96%
12. Foucher, J-Pierre	2/9	44.08%

Ladies' Class A

1. Thibault, Lucy	7/1	69.01%
2. Pineault, Lyne	6/2	60.46%
3. Tardif, Lise	5/2	59.45%
4. Carrier, Carole	5/2	54.42%
5. Cote, Josee	2/5	47.87%
6. Brodeur, Nicole	2/5	46.45%
7. Moreau, Claudette	1/6	49.41%
8. Meunier, Liette	1/6	42.20%

Elder's 30 Ft. Class A

1. Caron, Laurent	8/0	71.10%
2. Morin, Thomas	7/1	56.00%
3. Desrochers, Roland	6/2	54.39%
4. Lallemand, Luc	5/3	51.95%
5. Archambault, Andre	4/4	45.62%
6. Guilbeault, Marcel	3/5	49.30%
7. Proulx, Pierre	2/6	37.93%
8. Theriault, Roger	1/7	37.41%
9. Demers, Raynald	0/8	33.67%

Junior's Class A

1. Noury, Mathieu	6/0	52.94%
2. Martineau, Yannick	3/3	40.68%
3. Hebert, Marc Andre	0/6	24.42%

Men's Classes

B Laliberte, J-Marie	7/1	52.26%
C Brunelle, Rosaire	7/0	48.39%
D Huppe, Yves	6/0	47.78%
E Provencher, Leo-Paul	5/0	38.14%
F Pare, Michel	5/0	36.57%
G Berube, Simon	5/1	23.76%
H Sevigny, Jacques	4/0	27.22%

Ladies' Classes

B Bibeau, Denise	7/1	48.61%
C LeClair, Louise	4/0	40.00%

Elder's 30 Ft. Class

B Turcotte, Paul	5/1	47.35%
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Saskatchewan Provincial Championships Manitou Beach - June 25, 2005

Men's Class A

1. Colin Finnie	7/1	61.88%
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Women's Class A

1. Clara Allard	4/2	47.35%
2. Tammy Christensen	3/3	44.52%

Elder's 30 Feet Class A

1. Howard Weitzel	7/0	65.04%
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Senior Men's 40 Feet Class A

1. Vern Tyacke	6/2	46.05%
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Senior Women's Class A

1. Eileen Kozakewich	1/5	27.15%
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Junior Boy's Class A

1. Donovan MacDonald	6/2	12.38%
2. Brett Allard	3/5	6.66%
3. Cody Allard	0/8	1.66%

Junior Girl's Class A

1. Jaala Curren	6/2	10.47%
2. Samantha Johnson	1/7	2.38%

Men's Classes

B Dale Squires	4/4	46.08%
C Ed Stevensen	5/1	36.08%
D Howard Weitzel, Jr.	4/2	26.66%

Women's Classes

B Jane Kalyln	6/0	29.16%
C Loretta Richmond	6/0	24.58%

Elder's 30 Feet Classes

B Jack Adams	6/1	54.37%
C Terry Hudy	5/0	44.89%
D Ed Erickson	6/0	17.50%

Senior Men's 40 Ft. Classes

B Al Ross	6/0	33.33%
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South Dakota State Championships

September 4, 2005

Men's Class A

1. Milton Renville	5/0	47.20%
2. Carl Chambers	3/2	52.00%
3. LaVerne Wipf	3/2	36.40%
4. Vine Marks	3/2	35.60%
5. Jim Corean	1/4	28.40%
6. Jeremy Crowe	0/5	33.20%

Elder's Class A

1. Roland Kleinschmidt	6/0	77.00%
2. David Zilverberg	4/2	48.33%
3. Kent Robinson	2/4	44.00%
4. Ray Anderson	0/6	28.33%

Ladies' Class A

1. Jane Haufschild	5/0	55.60%
2. Carlene Barber	3/2	29.20%
3. Julie Warren	3/2	26.80%
4. Shirley Blake	2/3	23.20%
5. Sharon Lee	2/3	22.80%
6. Dee Steineke	0/5	15.60%

Junior's Class A

1. Shaina Stover	7/0	33.21%
2. Bethany Britton	5.5/1.5	5.00%
3. Kelby Torgerson	4.5/2.5	13.57%
4. MacKenzie Lane	4/3	15.00%
5. Macin Ager	4/3	6.07%
6. Ted Jeitz	2/5	4.64%
7. Cacy Britton	1/6	0.71%
8. Dakotah Steineke	0/7	1.43%

Pee Wee's Class A

1. Tyrell Rosencranz	6/1	13.00%
2. Tanner Steineke	5/2	9.00%
3. Devon Torgerson	4/2	7.78%
4. Garrett Boylan	3/3	3.89%
5. Jake Warren	2/4	5.00%
6. Jaxon Rosencranz	1/5	5.56%
7. Wacey Boylan	1/5	3.33%

Men's Classes

B Donald Harmon	4/0	39.50%
C Clair Harris	5/0	24.00%
D Tim Boren	5/0	16.80%
E Jim Weimer	5/1	16.43%

Elder's Class

B Ed Osterkamp	5/0	36.80%
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Mixed Class

C Lovell Wheeler	4/0	16.50%
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Utah State Championships

Men's Championship

1. Cal Sorensen	13/1	49.00%
2. Gary Wood	9/5	41.45%
3. Mason Walker	9/5	41.08%
4. Roy Buhler	6/8	40.84%
5. Bruce Crane	6/8	40.65%
6. Larry Huffman	5/9	35.14%
7. Dennis Andelin	5/9	34.03%
8. Gary Gilbert	3/11	33.98%

Men's 30' Championship

1. Lynn John	9/1	58.52%
2. Lew Brown	8/2	56.02%
3. Frank Annerl	7/3	48.14%
4. Bill Shelton	3/7	46.92%
5. Phil Rollins	2/8	39.91%
6. Ramon Duke	1/9	42.70%

Women's Championship

1. Shirley Steffen	6/1	47.99%
2. Barbara Purser	5/2	35.26%

Junior Boy's Championship

1. Vic Palmer	6/0	14.20%
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Men's Classes

B Frank Sanchez	8/2	32.34%
C Shirl Barney	10/0	28.11%
D Dennis Ohms	8/2	13.82%

Men's 30' Class

B Rod Purser	5/1	31.37%
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Women's Classes

B Cleo Wardle	6/1	29.61%
C Lori Harper	6/1	24.37%
D Nancy Walker	6/0	8.67%

Junior Boy's Class

B Nathan Scott	6/0	12.33%
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Vermont State Championships

Milton, VT - August 21, 2005

Men's Class A

1. Gale Greene	5/2	69.25%
2. Kevin Hollister	5/3	61.70%
3. Ray Charbonneau	4/2	61.56%
4. Roger Forgues, Jr.	0/6	39.50%

Women's Class A

1. Debra Brown	4/0	66.85%
2. Jean Choiniere	3/1	48.90%
3. Melissa Bigelow	2/2	43.87%
4. Bev Forgues	1/3	37.65%
5. Brenda Preston	0/4	34.69%

Elder's Class A

1. Don Choiniere	5/1	57.48%
2. Leonard Johnson	3/3	55.12%
3. Linwood Bushey	3/3	47.65%
4. Grant Lewis, Sr.	1/5	38.49%

Junior Boy's Class A

1. Nick Preston	7/0	63.84%
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2. Cody Preston	6/1	62.39%
3. Dave Dickenson	5/2	40.48%

Under 9 Mixed

1. Brandon Keyes	3/1	20.54%
2. Devon Knight	2/2	14.04%
3. Brianna McCormick	1/3	4.24%

Men's Classes

B Mike Brown	7/0	42.86%
C Eric Becker	7/0	44.14%
D Aaron Martin	7/0	32.79%
E Grant Lewis, Jr.	7/1	31.14%
F Fred Krebsler	4/0	6.50%

Women's Class

B Jessica George	6/0	36.84%
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Junior Boy's Class

B Randy Little, Jr.	4/3	20.83%
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Washington State Championships

September 3 - 5, 2005

Men's 40' Championship

1. Brandon Lund	12/2	59.66%
2. Russ Phillips	9/5	56.52%
3. Gene Kuiken	9/5	56.09%
4. Jack Johnson	8/6	56.28%
5. Paul Quam	6/8	48.49%
6. Bob Clark	5/9	50.58%
7. Orlean Clinton	4/10	44.67%
8. Gaylord Lund	3/11	45.27%

Women's Championship

1. Carol Sperber	10/2	53.06%
2. Phyllis Quist	6/6	44.02%
3. Babette Sparks	6/6	42.85%
4. Carol Bonds	2/10	36.46%

Elder's 30' Championship

1. Art Sperber	14/0	63.76%
2. Lyle Calkins	11/3	60.27%
3. Mr. Tricky	8/6	51.33%
4. Ken Carvo	6/8	52.49%
5. Jack Moore	6/8	51.35%
6. Ron Smith	5/9	59.37%
7. David Sparks	5/9	46.76%
8. Robert Hansen	1/13	41.02%

Junior's Championship

1. Matt Fuller	12/0	57.69%
2. Tyler Byfield	6/6	37.31%
3. Joel Barnes	3/9	25.00%
4. Ian Hopper	3/9	24.59%

Junior Girl's Championship

1. Sienna Black	0/12	4.83%
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Peewee

1. Logan Steinmetzer	12/0	34.58%
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Men's 40' Classes

A Jon Turnbull	11/0	48.59%
B Vic Magnus	10/2	31.81%
C Donald Ebeby	11/0	29.02%

Women's Class

A Mary Ebeby	12/0	42.04%
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Elder's 30' Classes

A Melvin Benham	12/2	52.95%
B Clancy Young	9/1	41.90%

Junior's Class

A Kevin Turnbull	9/3	25.81%
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West Virginia State Championships

September 4, 2005

Men's Class A

1. Junior Peters	9/2	65.54%
2. Rick Cale	8/3	66.67%
3. Jerry Wykle	7/3	61.33%
4. Allen Withrow	6/3	68.12%
5. Richard Johnson	6/3	56.62%
6. Greg Dotson	4/5	58.49%
7. Jim Titus	4/5	46.50%
8. Doug Cook	3/6	54.93%
9. Mike Stoner	1/8	47.01%

Women's Class A

1. Tamara Burke	6/1	79.06%
2. Brenda Tawney	5/2	80.30%
3. Betty Blankenship	2/4	57.25%

Elder's Class A

1. David Holmes	6/0	83.80%
2. Ken Wilhelm	4/2	60.28%
3. Charles Bunner	1/5	46.33%
4. Don Swaim	1/5	38.74%

Junior Boy's Class A

1. Mark Huggins, Jr.	5/1	26.44%
2. Bryan Huggins	4/2	22.00%
3. Carl Jarrell	3/2	23.94%
4. Dustin Faircloth	3/2	20.62%
5. Bob Bradburn	1/4	7.47%

Junior Girl's Class A

1. Alicia McIntire	6/0	22.50%
2. Rachel McIntire	4/2	1.25%
3. Sarah Martin	2/4	0.62%

Men's Classes

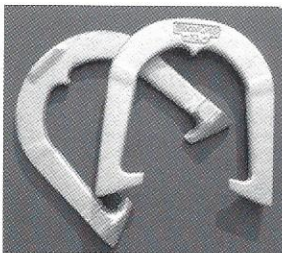
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C Davis Woodward	6/1	38.86%
D Don Shaw	8/1	45.40%
E Wayne Burdette	7/1	38.50%
F Guy Casey	5/2	28.21%
G Robert E. Russell	6/1	46.18%
H Steve Hinkle	6/1	28.76%
I Doug Withrow	6/2	24.11%
J David Carpenter	8/1	27.12%
K Ronnie Roberts	7/0	24.63%

Women's Classes

B Heather Cline	6/0	51.58%
C Victoria Atkins	6/1	23.95%
D Sandy Alderman	3/0	15.38%

Elder's Class

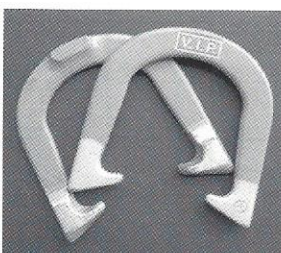
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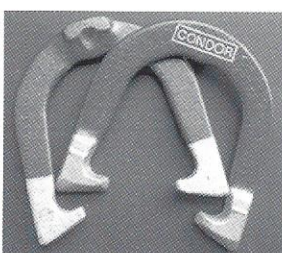
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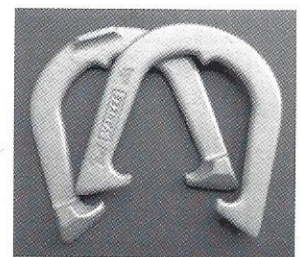
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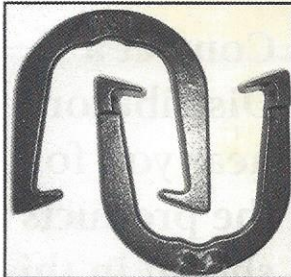


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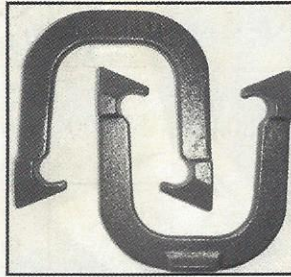


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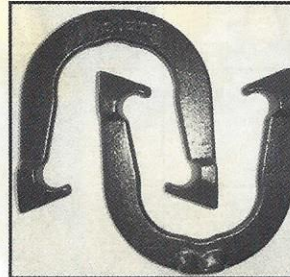
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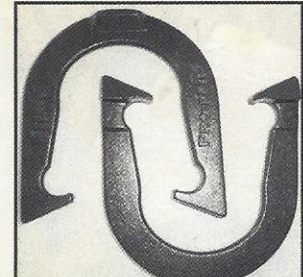
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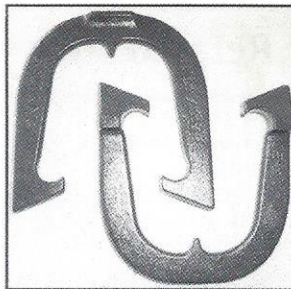
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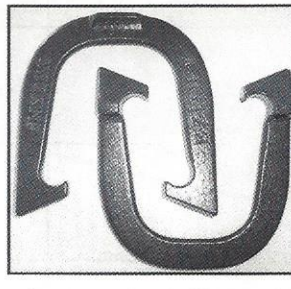
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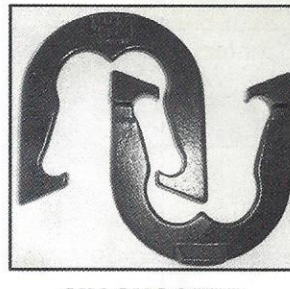
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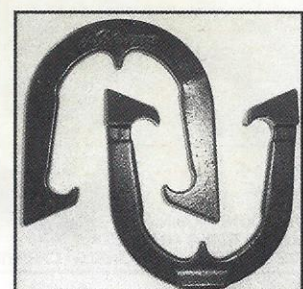
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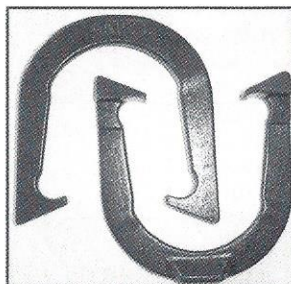
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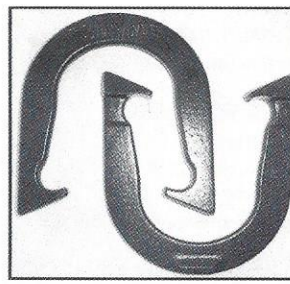
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