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WORLD TOURNAMENT RECORDS

Here are the official World and National Tournament records the boys will be shooting at this month at the Fairgrounds in Murray, Utah.

COMPLETE TOURNAMENT RECORDS

Ring. Percent	(31 games)	87.5%	Casey Jones	(Wisconsin), 1948
Ring. Percent.	(35 games)	85.7%	Fernando Isias	(California), 1951
Most Ringers	(35 games)	2261	Ted Allen	(Colorado), 1955
Shoes Pitched	(35 games)	2872	Ed Sharp	(Indiana), 1955

SINGLE GAME RECORDS

Percentage	(winner)	100%	Guy Zimmerman (Cal.)	44 ring., 1948
Percentage	(loser)	89.0%	Curt Day	(Indiana), 1957
Percentage	(both players)	89.0%	Ted Allen and Curt Day,	1957
Ringers	(winner)	155	Ted Allen	(Colorado), 1957
Ringers	(loser)	155	Curt Day	(Indiana), 1957
Ringers	(both players)	310	Ted Allen and Curt Day,	1957
Doubles	(winner)	69	Ted Allen	(Colorado), 1957
Doubles	(loser)	69	Curt Day	(Indiana), 1957
Doubles	(both players)	138	Ted Allen and Curt Day,	1957
Consecutive Ringers		72	Ted Allen	(Colorado), 1955
Shoes Pitched		174	Ted Allen and Curt Day,	1957
Four Deads		54	Ted Allen and Curt Day,	1957
Consecutive Four Deads		12	Ted Allen and Stan DeLeary (Ariz.)	1951
Cancelled Ringers		278	Ted Allen and Curt Day,	1957

QUALIFYING RECORDS

Total Points	570	Ted Allen	(Colorado), 1955
Most Ringers	186	Ted Allen	(Colorado), 1955
Most Double Ringers	86	Ted Allen	(Colorado), 1955
Ring. 100 Consecutive Shoes	97	Don Titcomb	(California), 1958

HORSESHOE PUBLICITY

The May 2 issue of THE NATION, a well known current events magazine with a national circulation carried an article in which complementary comments on the game of horseshoes occupied a considerable portion. The article was written by Robert Coulson, member of the Illinois legislature from Waukegan.

National NHPA Secretary Bob Pence wrote a letter to the magazine commenting on the article which was printed in the May 30 issue. As a result of Bob's letter he has received several requests for information about the game from well known New York newspaper columnists. One of these, Earl Wilson of the New York Post, who has also written for The Sat. Eve. Post, Coronet and other magazines as well as being author of a number of books, has indicated he wants the material for an article on the game to be carried in his syndicated column.

CHANGE OF DATES

The New Hampshire State Tournament has been changed to September 13 according to Howard White, Secretary of the group. The tournament will be held in Portsmouth one week after the New England States Tournament which is scheduled for the Labor Day week end at Westfield, Mass.

SIXTH ANNUAL CORN BELT OPEN TO BE HELD AUGUST 22-23, BURLINGTON, IOWA

By HAROLD DARNOLD

Plans are being made to hold the sixth annual cornbelt open tournament on the Crapo Park courts in Burlington, Iowa, Saturday and Sunday, August 22 and 23.

After five years of qualifying and playing on the same day, a new plan will be used this year. Change of plans was necessary due to the fact that lights will not be available for night play.

ALL QUALIFYING WILL BE DONE ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 22 STARTING AT 9:00 A.M. AND CLOSING AT 6 P.M. THE SAME DAY. All entries will pay a fee of \$2.00 to qualify, plus an additional \$3.00 to pitch in Class A.

CLASS A will be made up of 12 men divided into 2 groups of 6 each. They will play a round robin starting at 1 p.m. Sunday, August 23. CLASS B using the same procedure as Class A will start playing at 9 a.m., Sunday, August 22. Those playing in Class B will pay an additional \$2.00. CLASS C will have 8 players divided into 2 groups of 4 each playing a round robin and \$1.00 additional fee for this class will be charged.

The winners of each group will play in the finals, one game each of 50 points.

The prize list will be \$168.00 cash based on 50 entries, plus \$150.00 in merchandise prizes. The high qualifying prize will be a steak dinner. There will also be trophies for all three class winners.

This is an unsanctioned affair in an attempt to attract some new blood into the Iowa Tournament circuit. A new champion will be crowned as last year's winner. Glenn Anderson of Moline, Ill., was killed in an auto accident last fall.

WEST AND MORRIS LEAD THE WAY IN OREGON ROSE FESTIVAL TOURNEY

By GENE LOWE

Bob West of McMinnville and Glen Morris of Portland led the way in Oregon's annual Rose Festival-Centennial Horseshoe tournament held at Laurelhurst park.

West topped class A entries with a 7-0 record. In class B, Morris' 6-1 mark was tops.

Elmer Beller, Bellflower, Cal., placed second in class B and was awarded a special trophy as the entry traveling the longest distance to enter the tourney.

Results:

Class A — Bob West, McMinnville (7-0), Roy Getchell, Portland, (6-1), Cletus Chapelle, Portland, Barney Hampton, Portland, and Howard Peterson, Portland, (4-3).

Class B — Glen Morris, Portland, (6-1), Elmer Beller, Bellflower, Cal., (5-2). Clyde Riley, Canby, Alva Steinbrook, Salem, Lloyd Bays, Salem, Bill Hulshof, Portland, (4-3).

Class C — Ray Theis, Salem, (2-0), Tom Brandon, USS Impervious, (1-1), Bob Burt, Beaverton, (0-2).

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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA — LONG BEACH

JUNE 7, 1959 — ADDED CLASS "B"

By JAMES WEEKS

GROUP ONE

	W	L	R	S.P.	%
Bill Shoemaker, Monrovia	3	2	169	286	59.1
Elmer Beller, Bellflower	3	2	200	350	57.1
Fred Burkhardt, So. San Gabriel	3	2	169	326	51.8
Norman Smith, Culver City	2	3	176	322	54.7
George Stahl, Montclair	2	3	180	330	54.5
Waldo Hagy, Long Beach	2	3	164	318	51.6

GROUP TWO

	W	L	R	S.P.	%
Henry Durr, Baldwin Park	5	0	178	318	56.0
Henry Fisher, Compton	3	2	168	262	64.1
Clark Bell, Covina	3	2	134	258	51.9
Gunnar Hansen, Baldwin Park	3	2	171	330	51.8
Harry Nelson, Venice	1	4	117	282	41.5
Larry Geer, So. San Gabriel	0	5	95	238	39.9

The top two from each group played a four man round robin to decide the championship.

	W	L	R	S.P.	%
Henry Durr	2	1	112	182	61.2
Bill Shoemaker	2	1	110	204	53.9
Elmer Beller	1	2	142	250	56.8
Henry Fisher	1	2	96	192	50.0

Henry Durr defeated Bill Shoemaker to win the championship.

	Pts.	R	S.P.	%
Durr	53	41	68	60.3
Shoemaker	36	37	68	54.4

FROM HERE AND THERE

We are sorry to hear of the death of the father of Harold Blackman, peppery little publicity director of the Canadian Horseshoe Pitchers Association. Harold's father was a supporter of the game in Canada for many years.

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A half dozen Oak Ridge, Tennessee players have signed with the N.H.P.A. to form the nucleus of a Tennessee State Chapter under V. A. Stanley.

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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA — ADDED CLASS "C" ONTARIO, JUNE 14, 1959

GROUP ONE

	W	L	R	S.P.	%
Adolph Hernesmaa, Los Angeles	5	0	158	306	51.6
Clark Bell, Covina	4	1	163	304	53.6
Harry Nelson, Venice	2	3	150	318	47.2
Wally Haugland, Los Angeles	2	3	147	318	46.2
Jiggs Gasaway, Baldwin Park	2	3	131	296	44.3
George Lowe, Culver City	0	5	136	332	41.0

GROUP TWO

	W	L	R	S.P.	%
George Stahl, Montclair	4	1	170	298	57.4
Ron Long, Santa Paula	4	1	171	328	52.1
C. Beach, Ontario	3	2	162	330	49.1
Lyman Bailey, N. Hollywood	2	3	128	292	43.8
George Easterling, Los Angeles	2	3	126	296	42.6
Ross Faulkner, South Gate	0	5	82	276	29.7

The top two from each group played a four man round robin to decide the championship.

	W	L	R	S.P.	%
Ron Long	2	1	112	194	57.7
Adolph Hernesmaa	2	1	114	212	53.8
George Stahl	1	2	100	198	50.5
Clark Bell	1	2	100	208	48.1

Ron Long defeated Adolph Hernesmaa to win the championship.

	Pts.	R	S.P.	%
Ron Long	52	35	60	58.3
Adolph Hernesmaa	25	26	60	43.3

BRYANT MEMORIAL OPEN, LAURELHURST PARK, PORTLAND, OREGON, MAY 31, 1959

Eldon Harvey of Canby won six out of seven round-robin matches to top the Class A division of the seventh annual Northwest Bryant Memorial Horseshoe Tournament held at Laurelhurst Park Sunday, May 31.

Gene Patrick of Yakima won the Class B title and Eugene Lowe topped the Class C men. Patrick had a 6-1 match record while Lowe posted a 4-1 tally.

CLASS "A"

	W	L
Eldon Harvey, Canby, Oregon	6	1
Bob West, McMinnville, Oregon	5	2
Barney Hampton, Portland, Ore.	5	2
John Monasmith, Yakima, Wash.	5	2
Ed Fishel, Neilton, Washington	4	3
Arnold Pedersen, Canby, Oregon	2	5
Herb Criss, Bremerton, Wash.	1	6
Roy Getchell, Portland, Oregon	0	7
Playoff for 2nd place won by West.		

CLASS "B"

	W	L
Gene Patrick, Yakima, Wash.	6	1
Lloyd Bays, Salem, Oregon	5	2
Cletus Chapelle, Portland, Ore.	5	2
Jim Malvern, Seattle, Washington ..	4	3
Loren Hill, Boring, Oregon	2	5
Bill Boetger, Portland, Oregon	2	5
Prescott Kaufman, Seattle, Wash.	2	5
Phillip Fishel, Neilton, Wash.	2	5
Playoff for 2nd place won by Bays		

CLASS "C"

	W	L		W	L
Eugene Lowe, Portland, Oregon	4	1	Orville Pettichord, Portland, Ore.	1	4
Jake Kraus, Portland, Oregon	4	1	Lloyd Day, Portland, Oregon	1	4
Harvey Robbins, Lilliwaup, Wash.	3	2	Playoff for 1st place won by Lowe		
Orvale Sears, Portland, Oregon	2	3			

DAVE BAKER WINS OZARK OPEN

The Ozark Open Tournament was played in typical Ozark fashion. There were four states represented. Baker wasn't in any trouble at any time, winning easily. He also had the high percentage game with 81.9. Two games went over one hundred shoes, played by Long and D. Baker 118; Banes and Tate 104.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
D. Baker, Missouri	9	0	74.0
Tate, Illinois	8	1	72.0
Long, Missouri	6	3	71.2
Greenlee, Missouri	6	3	65.0
Banes, Missouri	4	5	63.9
Elkins, Missouri	4	5	61.6
Rehis, Kansas	3	6	63.0
Adams, Missouri	2	7	58.0
F. Baker, Missouri	2	7	55.5
Walker, Missouri	1	8	50.4

CLASS B

	W	L	%
Lilly, Missouri	5	0	56.9
Yeoman, Missouri	4	1	48.9
Carver, Missouri	3	2	44.4
Graves, Kansas	2	3	33.1
Smith, Missouri	1	4	26.0
Honn, Okla.	0	5	29.9

SOUTHWESTERN IOWA HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT

McKINLEY PARK, CRESTON, IOWA, MAY 31

By LUCILLE HOPKINS

CLASS A

	Qual.	W	L
Wellington Taylor, Grand River, Iowa, Trophy	226	5	0
Marion Lange, Bondurant, Iowa, Trophy	222	4	1
Kenneth Markley, Mt. Ayr, Iowa	206	3	2
Harry Page, Waterloo, Iowa	199	2	3
Hugh Rogers, Cedar Falls, Iowa	222	1	4
Bill Foster, Maryville, Missouri	201	0	5

CLASS B

John Paxton, Ottumwa, Iowa, Trophy	186	5	0
John Weakland, Osceola, Iowa, Trophy	184	4	1
Art Brown, Patterson, Iowa	199	3	2
Art Reed, Creston, Iowa	187	2	3
Charles Cook, Corydon, Iowa	176	1	4
Charley Hopkins, Ottumwa, Iowa	197	0	5

CLASS C

Louis B. Jeters, Afton, Iowa, Pr. Horseshoes	164	3	1
George Kessler, Creston, Iowa	164	3	1
Jim Wilkinson, Winterset, Iowa	154	2	2
Fred Foster, Maryville, Mo.	161	1	3
Ed Eckles, Creston, Iowa	—	1	3

Jeters won first in Class C in playoff with Kessler.

"From Out of the Mailbag"

Ellis Cobb, Editor
The Horseshoe Pitcher's News Digest
Aurora, Illinois

June 12, 1959

Dear Mr. Cobb:

A lengthy article on horseshoe, complete with a three by four inch picture, recently appeared in the employees' newspaper of a nationally known industrial firm.

Written for the personal glorification of a single individual employee of this company, the article contained so many mis-statements and false information as to be injurious to the game when read by people not familiar with the facts, especially those who are recent devotees of the game.

Among other things the article claimed this individual is now manufacturing an official horseshoe with his own personal grip built into it and bearing his name; that he is the originator of the "Count-All Scoring System"; that almost all associations now use the "Count-all System"; that he was voted the title of "Mr. Horseshoes of 1958"; that he is a member and former head of an association with a high sounding name which implies a nation-wide membership; that he once came within ONE SHOE OF WINNING THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP.

It is hoped he applies for official sanction of the horseshoe bearing his name so it can be used in officially sanctioned tournaments of the NHPA. So far he has not done so.

Old timers know the "Count-all Scoring System" was devised many, many years ago, possibly before this individual ever tossed a shoe. It was probably devised by D. J. Cowden, of Iowa, with Dave Chess of Ohio as its chief exponent, back in the 1920's.

Contrary to the claims of the article it is a known fact that almost no tournaments use the "Count-all System", and that its use is confined almost entirely to a few local handicap leagues. Although the NHPA recognizes the system, its use is scanty, and to claim otherwise is misleading.

The personal organization belonging to this individual came about ten years ago when two men tried to cram their ideas down the throat of the NHPA, and make it exclusively a "Count-all" group. Not being successful in the open convention, they picked up their horseshoe, and went home to form a local group which has never extended its boundaries in the ensuing ten years, and which cannot make legitimate claim of being nation-wide, as is implied in the name. It is not even state wide in either of the two states it is confined to.

There are many other purely local groups without NHPA affiliated members, but none of these claim to be something they aren't, and they are all friendly with the NHPA and recognize its role in the game.

It is presumptuous for anyone to claim the title of "Mr. Horseshoes of 1958" when one considers the excellent work of national scope done by such men as Elmer Beller and Archie Gregson of California, Ellis Cobb of Illinois, and Bob Pence of Indiana. For the record, last year at the World Tournament, Elmer Beller was given the Arch Stokes Memorial Award for his outstanding contribution to the game.

Fernando Isias and Ted Allen will be amazed to learn this individual, in some mythical year, came within one pitch of winning the World Championship, especially since his name most certainly is NOT Don Titcomb of California, or Casey Jones of Wisconsin.

It all makes sense, however, when one reads the complete article, and finds that he, no doubt, comes from another world. He must be "from out of this world", for the article says the distance between stakes is 40 YARDS, and at this distance, he is beyond doubt the Champion of all Champions.

Sincerely,

JIM JOHNSON
Covington, Ky.

EDITOR'S NOTE: — Jim Johnson is the recognized champion of Kentucky and is the only man to defeat both Ted Allen and Fernando Isias in successive games in the World Tourney, having turned the trick in 1952 at Murray when he finished fourth.

JOE ZICHELLA WINS CONNECTICUT OPEN

Joe Zichella, of New York City, won the Connecticut Open Horseshoe tournament Sunday at Beardsley park. Zichella went through the round robin play undefeated, winning all seven games. Vito Filecca, of New York City, was second and Bill Kolb, of Newark, third.

Don Dunleavy, of Hartford, won Class B honors, also going through the round robin play undefeated. Jack Kurlick, of Bristol, was second and Mel Merritt of Athol, Mass., third.

Joe Blomquist, of Old Greenwich, won Class C honors after a play off with Dom Majewski, of Forrestville. Ed Faulkner, of New Jersey, placed third.

Mike Shopey, of Bristol, took the Class D title, with Lee Peets, of Orange, Mass., second and Stan Luke, of Holyoke, Mass., third. Leo Martineou, of Forrestville, won Class E with Charles Griffin, of Bridgeport, second and Ken Middlebrook, of Bridgeport, third.

CLASS A

Name	State	W	L	R	S.P.	%
J. Zichella,	New York	7	0	302	420	71.9
V. Filecca,	New York	6	1	284	438	64.8
W. Kolb,	New Jersey	4	3	311	496	62.7
W. Paradise,	Connecticut	4	3	232	408	56.8
O. Farmer,	New York	3	4	244	448	54.4
G. Brinkman,	Massachusetts	2	5	257	464	55.3
A. Witaker,	Massachusetts	1	6	199	392	50.7
L. Davis,	New Jersey	1	6	173	390	44.3

CLASS B

D. Dunleavy,	Connecticut	7	0	194	510	47.3
J. Kurlick,	Connecticut	6	1	203	434	46.7
M. Merritt,	Massachusetts	4	3	230	490	46.9
L. Gancos,	New York	4	3	210	480	43.8
L. Loughery,	New York	3	4	211	468	45.0
J. Fairbanks,	Massachusetts	2	5	187	506	36.9
J. Renfro,	Massachusetts	2	5	159	450	35.3
R. Forsstrum,	Massachusetts	0	7	169	462	36.5

CLASS C

J. Blomquist,	Connecticut	4	1	153	344	44.4
D. Majewski,	Connecticut	4	1	135	322	41.9
E. Faulkner,	New Jersey	3	2	138	358	38.5
W. Schustek,	Connecticut	2	3	144	378	38.0
C. Sokolowski,	Connecticut	2	3	118	318	37.1
R. O'Connell,	New York	0	5	120	360	33.3

CLASS D

M. Shopey,	Connecticut	5	0	115	284	40.4
L. Peets,	Massachusetts	4	1	114	320	35.6
S. Luke,	Massachusetts	3	2	113	330	34.2
C. Richardson,	Massachusetts	2	3	107	332	32.2
R. Hoyt,	Connecticut	1	4	93	312	29.4
J. Brostum,	N. Y.	0	5	71	290	24.5

CLASS E

L. Martineou,	Connecticut	5	0	117	318	36.8
C. Griffin,	Connecticut	4	1	102	320	31.9
K. Middlebrook,	Connecticut	3	2	99	334	29.6
H. Wrisley,	Connecticut	2	3	81	318	25.4
D. Schmidlin,	New York	1	4	45	320	13.7
J. Welsh,	Connecticut	0	5	69	318	21.6

MEMORIAL DAY TOURNAMENT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

Bill Fraser of the Golden Gate Horseshoe Club showed good clutch pitching in winning the Memorial Day Tournament. Bill had many close games and always came on top by virtue of his 15-0 record.

The longest game of the tournament was between Paul Mori of the San Francisco Club, and Will Blexrude of the Oakland Horseshoe Club. The game went 108 shoes with each man getting 81 ringers for a ringer percentage of 75%. Blexrude won the game 50-49.

	W	L	R	S.P.	%
1. Bill Fraser	15	0	605	876	69
2. Paul Mori	13	2	673	964	70
3. Bill Blexrude	13	2	641	976	65
4. Carl Moskalik	12	3	586	932	64
5. Luke Braun	10	5	592	988	60
6. Jack Seymour	9	6	532	878	60
7. Dave Loucks	7	8	607	1012	60
8. George Callas	7	8	467	888	53
9. Vail Rasmussen	6	9	484	900	54
10. Bert Zumwalt	6	9	492	946	52
11. Earl Davis	5	10	461	912	51
12. Les Anderson	4	11	561	1002	56
13. John Hagerman	4	11	470	930	51
14. Al Michelcic	4	11	415	842	49
15. Louis Costa	3	12	397	864	46
16. Joe Costa	2	13	435	582	51

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COMING EVENTS

- July 11 — Durham Open, Durham, North Carolina.
 July 11 — American Forks Open, American Forks, Utah.
 July 11-12 — Four State Open (Kan., Ia., Neb., Mo.), Falls City, Nebraska.
 July 12 — Special Class A Open Tournament, Ontario, California.
 July 12 — New Jersey Open, 100% Handicap, Branch Brook Park, Newark, N. J.
 July 18 — Murray Open, Murray Fairgrounds, Murray, Utah.
 July 22-29 — World Tournament, Salt Lake County Fairgrounds, Murray, Utah.
 July 26 — Northern Indiana Qualifying, City Park, Wabash, Indiana.
 July 26 — Central Indiana Qualifying, Heekin Park, Muncie, Indiana.
 July 26 — Essex County Open, 100% Handicap, Branch Brook Park, Newark, N. J.
 August 1 — West Jordon Open, West Jordon, Utah.
 August 2 — Amateur Tournament, Baldwin Park, California.
 August 1-2 — Northwest Open Horseshoe Tournament, Ramsey County Fairgrounds, St. Paul, Minnesota.
 August 1-2 — Northern Indiana Finals, City Park, Wabash, Indiana.
 August 1-2 — Central Indiana Finals, Heekin Park, Muncie, Indiana.
 August 5-6-7-8 — Eastern National Open, Fairgrounds, Clearfield, Penn.
 August 7-8 — Utah State Class A, Murray, Utah.
 August 8 — Class E Added Tournament, Harvard, California.
 August 15 — Tooele Open, Tooele, Utah.
 August 16 — Knox County Open, Lincoln Park, Galesburg, Illinois.
 August 16 — Inter-City, St. Paul-Minneapolis, Minnesota.
 August 16 — New Jersey State Championships, Branch Brook Park, Newark, N. J.
 August 16 — South Gate Open Tournament, South Gate, California.
 Aug. 18-19 — Illinois State Tournament, State Fair Grounds, Springfield, Ill.
 Aug. 19 — Illinois State Boy's Tournament, State Fair Grounds, Springfield, Illinois.
 August 22 — North Carolina State Tournament, Winston-Salem, No. Car.
 August 21-22 — Utah State Class C, Ogden, Utah.
 August 22 — 60 Years and over Tournament, Long Beach, California.
 August 22-23 — Massachusetts State Tournament, Moxie's Grove, Holyoke, Mass.
 Aug. 22-23 — Connecticut State Tournament, Beardsley Park, Bridgeport, Conn.
 Aug. 22-23 — New Hampshire State Tournament, Portsmouth, New Hampshire.
 Aug. 22-23 — Indiana State Tournament Qualifying, Four regionals.
 August 27-28-29 — Missouri State Tournament, Fairgrounds, Sedalia, Mo.
 August 28-29 — Utah State Class B, West Jordon, Utah.
 August 29 — Winston-Salem Open, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.
 Sept. 4-5 — Iowa State Tournament, Fairgrounds, Des Moines, Iowa.
 Sept. 5 — Junior Boy's Tournament, Fairgrounds, Des Moines, Iowa.
 Sept. 5-6 — New York State Tournament, Falconer Rod & Gun Club courts, Falconer, New York.
 Sept. 5-6-7 — Missouri Open, Phelps Grove, Springfield, Missouri.
 Sept. 5-6-7 — New England States Tournament, Westfield, Massachusetts.
 Sept. 5-6-7 — Nebraska State Tournament, Panhandle Club, Kimball, Neb.
 Sept. 5-6-7 — Ohio State Tournament, Location to be announced later.
 Sept. 5-6-7 — Indiana State Tournament, Dorner Park, Frankfort, Indiana.
 Sept. 5-6-7 — Michigan State Tournament, Location to be announced later.
 Sept. 6 — Iowa Farmers and Open Tournament, Fairgrounds, Des Moines, Iowa.
 Sept. 6-7 — Minnesota State Tournament, Hibbing, Minn.
 Sept. 5-6-7 — Pennsylvania State Tournament, Erie, Penn. (tentative)
 Sept. 7 — Rock River Valley Open, Lawrence Park, Rock Falls, Illinois.
 Sept. 12-13 — Clinton County Tournament, Frankfort, Indiana.
 Sept. 13 — Whiteside County Tournament, Lawrence Park, Rock Falls, Illinois.
 Sept. 13 — New Jersey State Doubles Championships, Weasel Brook Park, Clifton.
 Sept. 13 — Championship Class E, Harvard, California.
 Sept. 19 — North Carolina Invitation, Durham, North Carolina.
 Sept. 20 — Championship Class D, South Gate, California.
 Sept. 25-26-27 — Norwood Open Tournament, Norwood, Ohio.
 Sept. 27 — Championship Class C, Long Beach, California.
 Oct. 3-4 — Victorville Open Tournament, Victorville, California.
 Oct. 11 — Championship Class B Tournament, Baldwin Park, California.
 Oct. 18 — Championship Class A, South Gate, California.

EASTERN NATIONAL TOURNAMENT

The annual Eastern National Tournament will be held at the Clearfield County Fair in Pennsylvania this year with a qualifying round on August 5 and 6 and the finals on the following two days according to Alex Zebrun, manager of the meet.

The Clearfield Fair Board has given \$500.00 for cash prizes and the total with entries fees should be around \$700.00. Glenn Sebring, Secretary of the Pennsylvania Association has already applied for official N.H.P.A. sanction. Details will be carried in a later issue. Harold Reno of Sabina, Ohio is the defending champion.

**FORT GEORGE (NEW YORK) OPEN TOURNEY
CLASS B AND C, SUNDAY, MAY 31**

By TOM O'GARA

CLASS B

	W	L	%
1. Brumek	6	1	48.9
2. Brooks	5	2	52.2
3. Davis	5	2	48.1
4. Peary	4	3	50.2
5. Compton Sr.	4	3	46.9
6. Packard	3	4	49.1
7. Loughrey	1	6	44.8
8. Majewski	0	7	43.6

CLASS C PLAYOFF

	W	L	%
1. Knapp	3	0	53.0
2. Sokolski	2	1	40.9
3. Werle	1	2	39.0
4. Schmedlin	0	3	35.3

CLASS C

Section No. 1

	W	L
1. Schmedlin	4	1
2. Werle	3	2
R. Lerner	3	2
4. Compton Jr.	3	2
5. Carthy	2	3
6. BYE	0	5

Section No. 2

	W	L
1. Sokolski	5	0
2. Knapp	4	1
3. Wagner	3	2
4. Golba	2	3
5. Puglise	1	4
6. BYE	0	5

STEINFELDT WINS AT FORT GEORGE

The Memorial Day holiday tournament staged by the Fort George club of New York City, on Sunday, May 31 drew competitors from far and near to vie for the trophies in three divisions of competition. George Steinfeldt set a terrific pace of 74.8 ringer average for the seven games. John Fulton followed close behind with 6 wins and no losses but with a ringer percentage that was higher than that of the first place winner. In the Class A division there were no games under 50.0 ringer percentage.

The distances traveled by the entrants covered a radius of 400 miles from the metropolis, coming from Rochester, N. Y.; Carlisle, Penn.; Baltimore, Md.; New Jersey, Connecticut, Long Island and the Metropolitan Area.

John Fulton of Carlisle, Penn. had one game in which he pitched 45 ringers out of 50 shoes for an average of 90%.

At the close of the tournament the players with their wives adjourned to the clubrooms where they enjoyed refreshments and sandwiches and "Batted the breeze".

	W	L	%		W	L	%
Steinfeldt	7	0	74.8	Kolb	4	3	64.8
Fulton	6	1	76.8	Fileccia	3	4	65.7
Zichella	4	3	67.6	Paradis	1	6	62.6
Carson	4	3	66.4	Hardwick	0	7	53.0

RAY OHMS OF UTAH PLANS ADDED ATTRACTION FOR NHPA VISITORS TO NATIONAL TOURNAMENT

As an added attraction to the Worlds' Tournament to fill up some of the extra time that is not being used for horseshoe pitching, Ray Ohms of Salt Lake City, who manages a bowling establishment at nearby Kearns, Utah, has come up with a prospective "First Annual N.H.P.A. Bowling Tournament to be known as the "BOWL-O-RINGER". This tournament would be conducted during the daytime between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M. when the horseshoe courts were idle. He plans on having a team event, doubles and singles. Multiple entry would also be permitted in the doubles and singles. Bowlers would cash only once in the singles but by changing partners in the doubles each time they could take as many cash prizes as they could place in. In all cases it would be a 3-game affair and the entry fee would be \$5.00 per each event. All in all it should be a real tournament with everyone having a grand time and winning some money.

Ray's bowling lanes are equipped with 14 fully automatic Brunswick pin-spotters and located only 10 minutes driving time west of Murray, Utah. All horseshoe players who bowl (and there are a lot of them) should pay a visit to his bowling emporium.

FALCONER, N. Y. ROD AND GUN CLUB INSTALLS 8 NEW COURTS

By LARRY PROUDMAN

Now it can be told: Our completely new 8 court installation is now ready and the 32 regular weekly pitchers, and the 200 members of the Falconer Rod & Gun Club, are now ready to host the New York State Tournament on Sept. 5-6 (rain date Sept. 7, 1959).

Our courts cover an area exceeding 6,500 square feet, which are located on the Club Grounds, are lighted by a completely new lighting installation of the finest quality. The courts are shaded by trees on an entire lawn surface. We feel our courts are unique in that they are spaced approximately sixteen feet apart side by side, thus eliminating that distraction that often times takes place when courts are only a few feet apart. Each court has at least one foot deep that good "blue clay" which is found only in this neck of the woods.

All of the courts and the lights were built by members of the horseshoe division and all expense for their construction with the exception of the lights were borne by the local pitchers, which attests to our enthusiasm and likeness for this sport. The Club underwrote the expense of installing the lights for this tournament and also our permanent pleasure. The cost of the lights exceeded \$500.00.

We feel that our facility is one of the finest to be found anywhere, we are anxiously awaiting the tournament, which we are hosting only after two years as a horseshoe division. We also extend an invitation to any horseshoe pitcher traveling in our area of western New York to drop by and get acquainted and participate in our activities.

KNOX COUNTY, ILLINOIS CLUB ANNOUNCES NEW OPEN MEET

To put a little fun in your life, try pitching horseshoes. With that in mind amiable Andy Horn of Galesburg, Illinois, and a very enthusiastic pitcher and also one who will insure you a very good time along with anything else you want insured, announces that the "Knox County Horseshoe club will conduct an open tournament on the 16 brand new Lincoln Park courts on Sunday, August 16th. For Illinois pitchers it will provide a warmup for the Illinois State tournament which begins a few days later in Springfield. Qualifying will start at 8:00 A.M. and close at 12:00 noon on Sunday, August 16th. The finals will start at 1:00 P.M. Entry fee will be \$2.00. First prize will be \$30.00. All pitchers are cordially invited to join the festivities of the Knox County "ringerama".

NEBRASKA TOURNAMENTS

The State Tournament will be held over the Labor Day week end and the Wyoming-Nebraska Open will be held on August 16. Wayne Enyeart, Nebraska State Secretary and officials of the Panhandle Club of Kimball will be in charge of the tournaments.

The courts on which the events will be held were built and sponsored by Lou Soebenaler before his death last fall and have been named in memory of the work he has done for the game in that area.

KNAPP WINS PLAY-OFF TO TAKE ENGLEWOOD HANDICAP

By LEE DAVIS

Barney Knapp defeated Frank Wagner in a two game play-off 50-32 and 50-18 to win the Englewood, New Jersey Handicap Tournament held Sunday, May 23. In the second game Knapp averaged 75 per cent.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
B. Knapp	4	1	50.6
F. Wagner	4	1	35.5
C. Spitzer	3	2	37.0
L. Culmone	3	2	42.5
L. Davis	1	4	46.7
B. Brostrum	0	5	33.3

CLASS B

	W	L	%
W. Fournier	3	0	26.7
W. Zangl	2	1	20.8
J. Dykstra	1	2	22.5
B. Swindel	0	3	26.5

ROEDING PARK CLUB ACTIVITIES (FRESNO, CALIFORNIA)

By MAJOR DALTON

In the season's opening tournament conducted by the Roeding Park club for its own members, five men were tied for first place in a 7-game round robin. This was played off 2 weeks later with the 5 men finishing as follows: Davis, Lambeth, Wilfong, Preo and Ludlow. Round robin results are as follows:

	W	L	Pts.	R	S.P.	%
Davis	5	2	336	190	448	42.4
Wilfong	5	2	335	287	213	43.7
Preo	5	2	329	194	408	47.5
Lambeth	5	2	337	193	426	45.3
Ludlow	5	2	336	199	442	45.0
Fulton	2	5	297	183	444	41.2
L. Allen	1	6	196	106	414	20.5
Mills	0	7	178	110	402	20.7

In another tournament conducted by the Roeding club June 7 and 14th using a handicap system based on a 50 shoe "Count-All", 14 men took part. The object was to encourage the lower percentage players to enter tournament competition. As a result many new faces were at the top of the list as the following results show. All players pitched 650 shoes except Ludlow and Sage who shot 350 each.

	W	L	Pts.	R	%
Cima	13	0	1208	337	51.8
Hollender	10	3	1040	225	34.6
Preo	9	4	1070	255	39.2
Arcewead	8	5	963	171	26.3
Helmuth	7	6	1135	300	46.1
Wilfong	7	6	1077	284	43.6
Fulton	7	6	1055	264	40.0
Bingham	7	6	966	236	36.3
Reed	6	7	1041	277	42.6
Lambeth	5	8	932	223	34.3
Erdman	5	8	918	182	28.0
Hicks	4	9	794	167	25.6
Ludlow	1	6	555	148	49.3
Sage	1	6	470	67	22.3

**NORTHEASTERN IOWA HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT
ISLAND PARK, CEDAR FALLS, JUNE 7**

CLASS A

	<i>Qual.</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>L</i>
Hugh Rogers, Cedar Falls, Trophy, Def. Champion	—	7	0
John Paxton, Ottumwa, Iowa	205	6	1
Marion Lange, Bondurant, Iowa	221	5	2
Francis Rogers, Waverly, Iowa	234	4	3
Harry Page, Waterloo, Iowa	220	3	4
Harold Hughes, Cedar Rapids, Iowa	210	2	5
Clarence Spier, Waverly, Iowa	222	1	6
Charley Hopkins, Ottumwa, Iowa	221	0	7

CLASS B

Francis Pratt, Cedar Rapids, Trophy	196	4	3
Ernie Danielson, Burlington	190	4	3
Osie Trimble, Cedar Rapids	188	4	3
Harold Darnold, Burlington	206	4	3
Fred Keiper, Palo	192	4	3
Charles Cook, Corydon	194	3	4
Harold Shaw, Fairfield	183	3	4
Carl Bennett, Des Moines	201	2	5

Top five in Class B were tied for first, so threw 50 shoes for first five places, then 3rd and 4th were tied, then flipped a coin. Francis Rogers was high qualifier at 234, low was 183.

**SOUTHERN IOWA HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT
EAST SIDE PARK, OSCEOLA, JUNE 14**

CLASS A

	<i>Qual.</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>L</i>
John Paxton, Ottumwa, Def. Champion, Trophy	—	7	0
Marion Lange, Bondurant, Pr. Horseshoes	232	5	2
Hugh Rogers, Cedar Falls	220	4	3
Art Brown, Patterson	220	4	3
Willard James, Council Bluffs	212	3	4
John Weakland, Osceola	218	3	4
Harold Darnold, Burlington	224	1	6
Charles Cook, Corydon	210	1	6

CLASS B

Harry Page, Waterloo, Trophy	209	6	1
Kenneth Markley, Mt. Ayr, Pr. Horseshoes	198	5	2
Ernie Danielson, Burlington	206	4	3
Jim Wilkinson, Peru	192	4	3
Maurice Clark, Osceola	187	4	3
Leo Hamand, Peru	189	3	4
Charley Hopkins, Ottumwa	191	1	6
Carl Bennett, Des Moines	192	1	6

Marion Lange was high qualifier with 232. Longest game, 90 shoes; shortest game, 34 shoes.

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