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1960 World Tournament Program

MUNCIE, INDIANA, AUGUST 1st-9th

The 1960 World Tournament will be held at Heekin Park in Muncie, Indiana August 1st through August 9th.

Qualifying play will begin at 6:00 P.M. Monday evening, August 1st and close at midnight on Thursday, August 4th. Extra time has been allowed for qualifying time this year in anticipation of a larger field of entrants.

The qualifying round will consist of one 200 shoe try in the championship men's divisions and 50 shoes for the Juniors and Women.

Enough courts will be reserved on Tuesday forenoon, August 2nd and Wednesday forenoon, August 3rd, to qualify all the Junior and Women entries.

Round robins for the Juniors and Women will be held on Thursday forenoon with the number of finalists depending on the number of original entries. The top two in each round robin will meet on Saturday afternoon in a play off for the championships.

The annual Convention and business meeting of the N.H.P.A. will be held Friday morning, August 5th and in the afternoon some type of dinner or barbeque will be arranged for the players and their families.

Opening ceremonies and championship play will start at 5 P.M. Friday afternoon. The championship division will be a straight round robin of the top 36 qualifiers playing a seven game schedule each evening August 5th through August 9th.

Class B will consist of at least 24 contestants divided into two groups for round robin play. The Class B round robins will be played on Saturday forenoon, Sunday afternoon and Monday forenoon. The top two players in each group will meet for the championship Tuesday afternoon, August 9th.

Decision on the proposed "Old Timers" division has not been made yet.

N.H.P.A. AFFILIATES WITH NATIONAL RECREATION ASS'N.

The National Horseshoe Pitcher's Association is now an official affiliate of the National Recreation Association. This is a nationwide organization of all nationally recognized recreation groups in the U.S. designed to help promote and foster these activities. This will place the N.H.P.A. in direct contact with recreational directors of public parks, armed forces, Senior Citizen groups, etc. over the entire country.

An announcement concerning the N.H.P.A. in the American Recreation Annual published by the American Recreation Society in February has resulted in inquiries for information from more than 100 recreational directors from almost every state.

HIBBING, MINN. CLUB OPEN TOURNAMENT SET FOR MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

By WALTER CHARLES

At a meeting held in Hibbing, Minnesota on Sunday, March 20th, definite plans were made to hold an Open Tournament over the Memorial Day weekend in Hibbing, Minnesota. Qualifying will start on Saturday, May 28 and continue through Sunday morning, May 29. Round robin play will begin immediately after dinner.

Hibbing is located about 225 miles from the twin cities and is accessible by Greyhound busses. All pitchers from all areas are cordially invited to come to Hibbing and enjoy the hospitality of this northern community.

RESUME OF 1959 SEASON IN WIBAUX COUNTY, MONTANA

By WES RIMEL

League play for 1959 ended in Wibaux County with Victor Germann tops in the Gopher League, followed by D. C. Lawrence, Roy Berg, Norman Beeler, L. H. Muller, Vincent Knapkewicz, Leonard Heid, Bert Fasching, Chris Kaelberer, John Brophy, Jr., Leroy Priess, Jr., and Jerry Kirkness. Robert Baird led the Beaver Leaguers — Jacob Germann, Ralph Baird, Arnold Quale, Claydeen Berger, Roger Barnaby, Richard C. Bushman, Henry Schneider, Charles Bordsen, James Roberts, Beaman Sherman, and James Goroski.

Leagues will likely be organized according to ability in 1960 to provide keener competition within each league. Interest is being shown in a women's league. If enough interest is aroused among juveniles, provisions will be made for juniors to compete. Many of the league players in 1959 were teenagers who show promise of becoming capable pitchers. Henry Schneider, who is 75, improved considerably over the previous season. In class competition he would have been hard to beat.

COMING EVENTS

- May 28-30 — Hibbing, Minnesota Open, Hibbing, Minnesota.
- May 28-30 — Tournament of Champions (Open), Springfield, Missouri.
- May 30 — Spring Warm-Up Tournament (Open), Rock Falls, Illinois.
- June 11-12 — Ozark Open, Neosho, Missouri.
- June 18 — North Carolina State Tournament, Winston-Salem, N. C.
- June 25-26 — St. Joe Open Tournament, Noyes Field, St. Joseph, Missouri.
- July 4 — Quint County Tournament, Rock Falls, Illinois.
- August 1-9 — World Tournament, Heekin Park, Muncie, Indiana.
- August 14 — Knox County Open, Lincoln Park, Galesburg, Illinois.
- August 16-17 — Illinois State Men's Tournament, Fairgrounds, Springfield, Illinois.
- August 17 — Illinois State Boys' Tournament, Fairgrounds, Springfield, Illinois.
- August 21 — Massachusetts State Tournament, Moxie's Grove, Holyoke, Massachusetts.
- August 26-28 — Missouri State Tournament, State Fair, Sedalia, Missouri.
- August 27 — Winston-Salem Open Tournament, Winston-Salem, N. C.
- Sept. 3-5 — Indiana State Tournament, Highland Park, Kokomo, Indiana.
- September 3-5 — Missouri Open, Springfield, Missouri.
- Sept. 4-5 — Kansas State Tournament, Manhattan, Kansas.
- September 5 — Rock River Valley Open, Rock Falls, Illinois.
- September 11 — Whiteside County and Twin City Tournament, Rock Falls, Illinois.
- Sept. 17 — North Carolina Invitational Tournament of Champions, Durham, North Carolina.

COVER PICTURE . . . While a good portion of the country was clothed in habiliments of winter, these men are shown enjoying the warm sunshine while waiting for the starting gun in the annual Valley of the Sun open tournament held recently at Mesa, Arizona.

FLORIDA HORSESHOE NOTES

Horseshoe activity is picking up in Florida and prospects for the future are bright. N.H.P.A. membership has almost doubled that of 1959.

N.H.P.A. members from 18 different states spent winter vacations in Florida on the courts of the Bradenton Trailer Park and the St. Petersburg Sunshine Pleasure Club. Charlie Stephens and Ray Middleton at Bradenton and Ray Woodrow at St. Pete did a splendid job in taking care of their visitors.

Bradenton with the Sun Coast Open and St. Petersburg with the Florida State Winter Open are the hubs of activity, but action is also picking up in other cities with the N.H.P.A. now having members in Sarasota, Orlando, Ft. Lauderdale, West Palm Beach, Tampa, Ormond Beach and St. Augustine. Prospects are good on the east coast in Palm Beach, Vero Beach and Del Ray Beach. Team matches were played between Orlando and Ft. Lauderdale with others in the offing.

Temple Jerrell, former Maryland and Tennessee State Champ, is now City Recreation Director at Ft. Lauderdale and has built four fine courts in Holiday Park. He plans on expanding the facilities and putting on a Florida State Tournament next fall for Florida residents only. A fine club has been organized at Ft. Lauderdale under the direction of Ed Edward.

Dale Dixon of Iowa won the Sun Coast Open at Bradenton and Walt Horner of Indiana copped the Florida State Open at St. Pete after a playoff with 80 year old W. O. Maxwell of Ohio. High winds bothered the players in the finals at Bradenton, but the qualifying scores were very good.

Another feature was the appearance of Joe Wilkinson of Akron, O., 71 years old, who placed 14th in the National Tournament way back in 1923. Left handed Joe Foster of Omaha, Nebr. was another outstanding player along with Harry Page of Iowa, Wilson Hubbard of Montana, A. L. Austin and Hightower of Illinois, Hallie Ehmke of New York, Ben Farmer and Clyde Green of Indiana, Joe Kelly and Les Peary of Michigan, Burrell Brobeck of Pennsylvania, Grover Anderson of West Virginia, Carl Lundgren of Detroit and Al Nowatske of Wisconsin.

National Secretary Bob Pence, N.H.P.A. Vice President Ottie Reno and Regional Director Lee Davis of New Jersey also made an appearance.

A meeting of Florida members was held at St. Pete and Ray Woodrow of Illinois who winters in Florida and has acted as N.H.P.A. Secretary for a number of years, resigned in order that a Florida resident be elected. The following officers were elected for the coming year; Charles Stephens of Bradenton, Secretary-Treasurer; Frank Wise of Orlando, President; John Davis of St. Augustine and Ed Edward of Ft. Lauderdale, Vice-Presidents.

Ted Allen, Defending Champion, Plans Exhibitions

If the World Tournament is held in the Midwest this year, which seems likely, I will plan an itinerary of exhibitions to and from, and other places, plus one to three tournaments. Territory under tentative consideration ranges via Missouri or Iowa or South Dakota and Minnesota and points east. Would like to hear from those interested.

In Memoriam



Guy Zimmerman

July 11, 1907 March 1, 1960

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*Our memories are precious gifts
To treasure through the years,
To comfort us when days are dark
And eyes are dimmed with tears.
Without them we'd be desolate
When loved ones slip away . . .
Possessing them . . . our hearts re-live
Their words of yesterday.
And so . . . when separation comes
To bring us bitter loss . . .
Our memories are precious gifts
To help us bear the cross.*

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The world of horseshoe pitchers was saddened on March 1, 1960 by the sudden and untimely passing of one of its greatest players, Guy Zimmerman, former world's champion, 1954.

Guy, as he was affectionately known, was stricken with a heart attack while engaged on a job in his plumbing business in Danville, California.

Guy was a member of the N.H.P.A. as well as a long time member of the Mosswood Club of Oakland, California. He had not been too active in pitching in the past few years due to the pressure of his business and from poor health from time to time.

During his pitching career he made many records both in competition and in exhibitions. He was the co-holder of a record game in 1940 of 164 shoes with Ted Allen in which each threw 145 ringers, with 50 times 4 dead and 11 consecutive 4 deads. In 1941 he pitched 94 ringers out of 100 shoes in a qualifying score. In 1948 at Milwaukee world tourney he pitched a perfect game of 44 shoes pitched, 44 ringers. In exhibitions he pitched two perfect 25 point games over a blanket, at Aberdeen, Washington, 1932 and Rock Island, Illinois, 1948.

He was truly one of the finest sportsmen and a true gentleman. To all those who knew him and pitched with him his friendship will be sadly missed.

To his loving wife, and son Robert and daughter Joyce, the heartfelt sympathy of the National Association together with California Associations is extended in the loss of their loved one.

BALDWIN PARK—SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BALDWIN PARK OPEN

By JAMES WEEKS

GROUP ONE

	W	L	R	SP	%
Homer Moefield, Long Beach	5	0	253	356	71.1
Jim Weeks, Norwalk	4	1	278	360	77.2
Wally Shipley, West Covina	3	2	198	312	63.5
Ed McFarland, Covina	1	4	224	366	61.2
Ralph Navarro, South Gate	1	4	197	330	59.7
Henry Harper, Monterey Park	1	4	177	312	56.7

GROUP TWO

	W	L	R	SP	%
Henry Fisher, Compton	5	0	215	322	66.8
Gerald Schneider, Montebello	4	1	237	318	74.5
Ned Shaver, Whittier	2	3	231	388	59.5
Waldo Hagy, Long Beach	2	3	172	298	57.7
Clark Bell, Covina	1	4	179	338	53.0
Jiggs Gasaway, Baldwin Park	1	4	158	328	48.2

CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYOFF

	W	L	R	SP	%
Jim Weeks	3	0	182	252	72.2
Henry Fisher	2	1	157	210	74.7
Homer Moefield	1	2	170	240	70.8
Gerald Schneider	0	3	130	206	63.1

SOUTH GATE — SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA OPEN CLASS "C"

By JAMES WEEKS

GROUP ONE

	W	L	R	SP	%
Don Peterson, South Gate	4	1	162	314	51.6
John Balzer, Santa Ana	3	2	167	344	48.5
Jiggs Gasaway, Baldwin Park	3	2	156	322	48.4
Harry Platt, Maywood	3	2	151	336	44.9
Rolla Baker, Bell	2	3	161	342	47.1
Merret Brown, Hollydale	1	4	138	286	48.3

GROUP TWO

	W	L	R	SP	%
Adolph Hernesmaa, Los Angeles	4	1	163	352	46.2
Ken Outhouse, La Puente	3	2	160	290	55.2
Tom Newman, Bell	3	2	151	322	46.9
Frank Dilger, Lynwood	2	3	157	338	46.4
Ross Faulkner, South Gate	2	3	151	338	44.7
Mel Lingenfelter, Fontana	1	4	104	288	36.1

CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYOFF

	W	L	R	SP	%
Don Peterson	3	0	90	176	51.1
Ken Outhouse	2	1	107	218	49.1
John Balzer	1	2	109	218	50.0
Adolph Hernesmaa	0	3	107	236	45.3

OFFICIAL N. H. P. A. SCORESHEETS AVAILABLE

Official N.H.P.A. scoresheets in pads of 100 may be obtained from National Secretary Bob Pence, 341 Polk Street, Gary, Indiana. The price is \$7.50 per 1000, postpaid.

METHODS USED IN TOURNAMENT PLAY IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PITCHERS ASSOCIATION

By ELMER BELLER

Here are some of the policies I feel have contributed to the growth of our Southern California Horseshoe Pitcher's Association over the past ten years. Although I have been an official in one capacity or another during these years, I do not take credit for our success. Rather, it has been the combined efforts of several able officials during this time and a cooperative overall membership.

The opinion has often been expressed from many points in the nation, that N.H.P.A. membership is only important to the higher percentage pitchers. For those who have ability to enter World Championship competition. That others do not receive their money's worth. That the vast majority of pitchers can never reach this status, so why try. It is said the rest only go along for the ride and help support the organization for the benefit of these few choice pitchers. You have often heard it said, I am not a good enough pitcher to be a National member.

In my opinion, the above is poor reasoning and a false conclusion. The sooner we disperse this idea and adopt methods to encourage the lower percentage pitchers to join the N.H.P.A. and prove to them we have important sanctioned tournaments for all of them, the better it will be. We can, and should, prove to all pitchers the advantage of being an N.H.P.A. member. Regardless of their pitching ability they can compete with others of equal ability. There is a proper status for every pitching member.

I do not in any way intend to detract from the importance of our great pitchers that are winning championships and runner-up positions. They are, indeed, contributing to the popularity of horseshoe pitching. According to their ability they are receiving less monetarily than most top notchers in other sports. Yet I think it important to give proper recognition to all members. Something worthwhile to all who are willing to join N.H.P.A. and pay the qualifying fee to enter tournament play. Our method gives that incentive to everyone interested in pitching horseshoes.

This is the method we use to increase membership and it has built and is building up our Southern California membership. In our many sanctioned tournaments (we are putting on 33 this 1960 season) running from Class "A" down through "B", "C", "D", "E", and "F", we give almost same consideration for Class "F" as we do for Class "A". Because of our exceptional climate we have sanctioned tourneys set up in all months of the year except December. We hold qualifying pitch for each tourney. I do not consider this a necessity but that is our method. Other localities, I concede, have convincing arguments in favor of their non-qualifying methods. This depends on other conditions also. All our tournaments, with two or three exceptions, are for trophies only. At present we are giving four trophies per tourney; to 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th positions. This holds true from Class "A" down through Class "F". Most our tourneys are for 8 or 12 men. When 12 qualify we divide them into two groups with two top men of each group in 4-man play-off.

All classes pay the same fee to enter tournament and all receive trophies of comparative value. Each class has its separate tourney on different weekends. Each class has a yearly championship in their respective classes with trophies so inscribed. Every class has a number of tourneys each year. We will be putting out about 125 trophies this year. Of course the winner of each and every tournament receives a certificate of championship from National Secretary of N.H.P.A. for each specific tournament. Thus, 35% or under pitchers have the same opportunity to get as much out of National membership card as the 70 or 80% pitcher. Except that the 70-80% pitcher can of course enter the highest competition where money and National glory is his rightful compensation.

This type of tournament program encourages the young and the lower percentage pitchers. From some of these may come the future World Champions that never would have been developed otherwise. No doubt some are gifted but they must be developed.

CALIFORNIA METHODS — (Continued)

In 1951, when I was first elected President of Southern California Horseshoe Pitcher's Association, we had less than 30 members and held just 8 tournaments during that year. We had "A" and "B" class only. We have increased the number of tournaments each year as membership increased to the present 33 scheduled for this year. We had over 100 members in 1959. At this writing we have more than 75 for 1960 already. So we should greatly increase our membership by years end.

We have a hard working, efficient Secretary in Jim Weeks. Our three Vice Presidents, Wally Shipley, Ralph Navarro, and Clark Bell are consulted on all policy decisions and contribute to our success. Other past officials helped much to set up policies as conditions changed because of increasing membership. At our annual meeting at the end of each year the whole membership takes part in discussions.

Under our system the majority of pitchers advance to higher brackets from one year to the next. We now have some outstanding pitchers in Class "A" that were only starters a few years ago.

We keep complete record of every pitchers percentage in all sanctioned tourneys and every member is given a copy of each members percentage at end of the season including number of games pitched and his classification for next season. Percentage ratings for the various classes from year to year are completed before our annual meeting at the end of each year and are changed to suit conditions as more classes are added.

We present a trophy each year to the pitcher making the most gain in percentage during the year with inscription to that effect. Wally Shipley is the proud winner of this award for 1959. He increased his percentage from 52.7 to 63.6 in 76 games.

We have a qualifying fee for each tourney. Then an entry fee for each pitcher that successfully enters the tourney. By this procedure the pitcher that actually pitches in the meet pays more than those that try and fail to make it.

Of course to give credit where credit is due, our "News Digest", put out by Ellis Cobb, contributes much to building our membership here as well as in all parts of the country.

It is my opinion, we are about at the saturation point of this type of tournament program. We are using nearly every weekend in order to work in all tourneys through the summer season. In each class we must eliminate some in qualifying for each tourney. Elimination always creates some dissatisfaction. The only alternative, I see, is to adopt some sort of league play or divide into groups to play in separate areas at the same time. In states where the season is much shorter they would have difficulty also.

I feel improvements could be made in our methods but it has merits for increasing membership. We should set our goal to try to get all pitchers into our organization. Those coming in will reap a benefit to themselves as well as to those already within the NATIONAL HORSESHOE PITCHER'S ASSOCIATION.

FT. LAUDERDALE STAGES TOURNAMENT FOR REGISTRATION FUND

By ED. EDWARDS

On Sunday afternoon, March 27, we held our "Little World Tournament". The entry fee was 50¢ and the tourney was conducted on an elimination basis with each contestant having a handicap based on his ringer percentage for the year.

Bill Keegan, city champion and Elwyn Smith battled it out in the finals with Keegan emerging the victor. Keegan fired 40% in his final match.

The entry fees were enough to pay for our courts registration, and the small amount left was awarded as prize money to the winners of the tourney.

So, we were able, in some small measure at least, to help promote the world tournament at Muncie and we had a lot of fun doing it.

WALTER HORNER RINGS SECOND FLORIDA STATE TITLE

Walter Horner of Bradenton, Florida and Farmersburg, Ind., won his second Florida Horseshoe Championship at Sunshine Shuffleboard Club when he defeated 79-year-old pitching wizard W. O. Maxwell of Hicksville, Ohio, 45-50, 52-45 and 52-48.

Horner won the first state championship three years ago. Marines Tamboer of Wichita, Kan., won it last year. In regular tournament play, Horner threw 480 ringers in 664 shoes pitched for a 72.7 average; Maxwell, 452 ringers in 688 for 65.7 average.

Horner did not enter the contest last year, while Maxwell has placed each year—second in 1958, fourth last year and second this year. Horner has been tournament playing for five years. He placed 20th in the Nationals last summer.

John Peary of Detroit, Michigan took third place over Charles Stevens in a play-off match.

Class "A"

	W	L	%
Horner	10	1	72.7
Maxwell	10	1	65.7
Peary	7	4	58.77
Stephens	7	4	58.44
Austin	6	5	55.0
Kelly	6	5	56.8
Wilkinson	5	6	56.0
Lundgren	4	7	55.1
Foster	4	7	53.2
Farmer	3	8	54.7
Anderson	2	9	47.1
Green	1	10	48.5

Class "B"

	W	L
John Davis	10	1
Harry Page	9	2
W. Hubbard	8	3
H. Kemp	8	3
E. Zimmerman	8	3
Roy McClure	6	5
Lloyd Neal	5	6
Al Nowatske	4	7
Elmer Smith	3	8
Elwin Smith	2	9
H. Spiess	1	10

AKRON, OHIO INDOOR TOURNAMENT

Jim Falor, N.H.P.A. member in Akron, O. and a nephew of the former World Champion, Harold Falor, has revived organized horseshoe in the Ohio city.

He prevailed upon the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. to make it a part of their employees recreation program and stage an indoor tournament recently. The turnout of players was very good and a number of them have joined the N.H.P.A.

Falor who had the advantage of having played in various Ohio tournaments last summer, won the championship. A summer program is now being planned.

FROM HERE AND THERE

Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Vecchitto of Middletown, Connecticut welcomed a new "champion" into their home on March 23, 1960. He was named Jeffrey John Vecchitto and tipped the scales at 7 lbs. and 5 ozs. Our congratulations.

SPRINGFIELD TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

MAY 28th, 29th AND 30th

This tournament is open to all NHPA members and will be played on your ringer percentage to determine where you play. Floyd Toole is the defending champion. It will be played at Phelps Grove Park in Springfield, Missouri. The entry fee will be \$3.00. All entries must be in by May 21st. There will be trophies for the winners of each group and tournament records for all players, as well as ringer percentage cards.

This tournament is sanctioned so the winners will receive certificates of champions.

The first group will consist of the winners of tournaments won in 1959 or 1960. We will try to play everyone in some group. If not, your entry fee will be returned. You will be notified on what day and at what time you are to play. To determine your ringer percentage it should be taken from some sanctioned tournament.

Send your entry fee, along with your ringer percentage to Alfred O. Smith, Route 6, Box 639-A, Springfield, Missouri.

UTAH HORSESHOE BOOSTER DIES

The game of horseshoe suffered a real loss in the death of Charles "Chick" Oliver, Murray, Utah business man last month. Mr. Oliver was an avid horseshoe fan and was always in attendance at the National Tournaments in Murray. He always contributed financially to the National Tournament and aided in the arrangements for the annual Saturday night party each year. The N.H.P.A. has lost a real friend.

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HORSESHOE COURT REGISTRATION

The horseshoe court registration plan has been in effect only one month and the ground is still frozen in northern states as this is written. Nevertheless a fairly good start has been made, but only the future will tell the story of whether the plan is successful or not.

So far only two mildly adverse comments have been received plus two more which were doubtful of the plan's success. Most comment has been extremely favorable.

It should be remembered that this is not a tax or assessment. The plan is voluntary for both individuals and clubs and no stigma or penalty is attached to those who do not register their courts. The plan is voluntary, but neither is it charity, for a directory of courts can be a very valuable asset.

One member wrote that he visited California for a month but had no idea where to find horseshoe courts. Another wrote that his car broke down in Tulsa, Okla. and he had an entire day to kill but couldn't find a horseshoe court anywhere.

Symbolic of most comments was that of Martin Arensdorf of Nebraska who wrote that he had no court to register and there were no public courts, but he sent \$5.00 anyhow because he believed in the plan and wanted to register the courts of a friend of his.

Ben Trolen of Minnesota wrote that if all the courts in his state were registered under the plan a terrific amount of money would be raised. This is very true. The plan could well solve our financial problems and put the game on a sound basis where a real promotional job could be done that would benefit everybody connected with the game. Bowlers and golfers as individuals spend far more money than horseshoe players. The dollar per court plan is inexpensive and can produce results.

GET THE COURTS YOU PLAY ON REGISTERED NOW.

Here is the list of registered courts to date (Mar. 30).

ARIZONA

Morristown — Cactus Ranch, 1
Morristown — Desert Pioneer Club, 1

ARKANSAS

Pine Bluff — Roberts Park, 2
Pine Bluff — Floyd Toole, 1

FLORIDA

Bradenton — Trailer Park, 10.
St. Petersburg — Sunshine Club, 6
2 L.

ILLINOIS

Aurora — Ellis Cobb, 1.

INDIANA

Connersville — Roberts Park, 8 L
Crawfordsville — Milligan Pk. 5 L
Decatur — 110 So. 10th St., 1 L
Frankfort — Dorner Park, 16 L, 3 I.
Gary — Bob Pence, 1.
Gary — Jackson Park, 4.
Goshen — Fairgrounds, 5 L.
Hammond — 7021 Marshall St., 1.
Indianapolis — Garfield Park, 10 L.
Kokomo — Highland Park, 18 L.
Lafayette — George Kingma, 8 L.

INDIANA

Muncie — Heekin Park, 18 L.
Noblesville — Forest Park, 6 L.
Peru — John Coble, 2 L.
Pennville — Harold Walker, 1 L.
Portland — Clyde Green, 1 L.
Sweetser — Chas. Cummings, 1 L.
Terre Haute — John Stimac, 1 L.
Wabash — City Park, 8 L.

KANSAS

Topeka — Perl Pepple, 1 L.

KENTUCKY

Covington — Jim Johnson, 1 L.
Florence — Spanish Villa, 4 L.

LOUISIANA

Shreveport — 3936 Huston St., 1.

MASSACHUSETTS

Bridgewater — Clarence Gill, 1 L.
Holyoke — Avery Field, 2 L.
Springfield — Ralph Forsstrom, 1 L.
Willimansett — Joe Fairbanks, 2 L.

MICHIGAN

Detroit — Carl Lundgren, 1 L.

COURT REGISTRATION — (Continued)**NEBRASKA**

Sutherland — L. E. Arnold, 2 L.

NEW JERSEY

Englewood — Duxie Ave., 6 L.

Englewood — Al Anderson, 1.

Ridgefield — Lee Davis, 1 L.

Tenafly — Dr. Irving Pitman, 1 L.

NEW YORK

Falconer — Rod & Gun Club, 8 L.

Southold — Irving Pitman, 1.

OHIO

East Dayton — 901 Xenia Ave. 2 L.

Greenville — City Park, 12 L.

Norwalk — Orval Cross, 1 L, 1 I.

ONTARIO, CANADA

Broughton — Locust Hill, 1 L.

MASSACHUSETTS OPEN TOURNAMENT JUNE 26

By RALPH FORSSTROM

The Massachusetts Open tournament will be held at Moxie's Grove, Hampton Ponds, Holyoke, Mass. on Sunday, June 26th, (Rain date, July 10th). The meet will be open to any NHPA member from any state. There will be four classes with three trophies in each class. There will not be any qualifying round. The entries close at 11:00 a. m. Entry fee will be \$3.00 per man. Co-chairmen for this tournament are Ralph Forsstrom of Springfield and John Renfro of Holyoke.

COMING EVENTS OF PORTLAND, OREGON HORSESHOE CLUB

APRIL 24 — Portland Handicap Tournament, Laurelhurst Park, Portland, Ore.

MAY 15 — Canby, Oregon Vs. Portland, Oregon — (Team Play) Tournament, Laurelhurst Park, Portland, Ore.

May 28-29 — Bryant Memorial "Open" Tournament, Laurelhurst Park, Portland, Oregon

June 11-12 — Portland Rose Festival "Open" Tournament, Laurelhurst Park, Portland, Oregon

June 19 — Annual Oregon State Father's Day "Open" Tournament, Bush's Pasture Park, Salem, Oregon.

REMINISCING THRU LAST SEASON'S ACTIVITIES

By LESLIE LONG

As I sit here toasting my toes by the fire on this cold March day, my thoughts return to last season's activities here in the Rock River Valley.

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NEW JERSEY

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Ridgefield — Lee Davis, 1 L.

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NEW YORK

Falconer — Rod & Gun Club, 8 L.

Southold — Irving Pitman, 1.

OHIO

East Dayton — 901 Xenia Ave. 2 L.

Greenville — City Park, 12 L.

Norwalk — Orval Cross, 1 L, 1 I.

ONTARIO, CANADA

Broughton — Locust Hill, 1 L.

MASSACHUSETTS OPEN TOURNAMENT JUNE 26

By RALPH FORSSTROM

The Massachusetts Open tournament will be held at Moxie's Grove, Hampton Ponds, Holyoke, Mass. on Sunday, June 26th, (Rain date, July 10th). The meet will be open to any NHPA member from any state. There will be four classes with three trophies in each class. There will not be any qualifying round. The entries close at 11:00 a. m. Entry fee will be \$3.00 per man. Co-chairmen for this tournament are Ralph Forsstrom of Springfield and John Renfro of Holyoke.

COMING EVENTS OF PORTLAND, OREGON HORSESHOE CLUB

APRIL 24 — Portland Handicap Tournament, Laurelhurst Park, Portland, Ore.

MAY 15 — Canby, Oregon Vs. Portland, Oregon — (Team Play) Tournament, Laurelhurst Park, Portland, Ore.

May 28-29 — Bryant Memorial "Open" Tournament, Laurelhurst Park, Portland, Oregon

June 11-12 — Portland Rose Festival "Open" Tournament, Laurelhurst Park, Portland, Oregon

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DIXON WINS 2ND ANNUAL FLORIDA SUNCOAST OPEN

The 2nd Annual Florida Suncoast Open Tournament held February 18, 19, 20 on the Bradenton Trailer Park Courts, Bradenton, Florida. Of 38 entries 36 pitchers competed in round robin play in three classes. Trophies were awarded the three top men in each class, and participation trophies went to all pitchers entering the tournament. A special medalist trophy donated by Clyde Green, last year's high qualifier went to Dale Dixon who tossed 80 ringers of his 100 qualifying shoes, tallying 258 points. The following pitchers competed and order in which they finished:

CLASS A

	W	L	%
Dale Dixon, Des Moines, Iowa	9	2	61.1
Joe Kelly, Detroit, Michigan	9	2	60.8
Joe Wilkenson, Akron, Ohio	9	2	55.2
Carl Lundgren, Detroit, Michigan	8	3	57.2
Burrell Brobeck, Pittsburg, Pa.	7	4	58.9
Charles Stephens, Bradenton, Fla.	6	5	50.2
Ben Farmer, Union City, Ind.	5	6	53.6
Lester Peary, Detroit, Michigan	5	6	51.8
Hallie Ehmke, Fredonia, New York	5	6	46.5
Clyde Green, Portland, Indiana	2	9	48.7
Joe Hightower, Colchester, Illinois	1	10	42.9
Walter Horner, Farmersburg, Ind. withdrew after 2nd rd.			

CLASS B

	W	L	%
Jack Reed, Bradenton, Florida	10	1	55.0
Joe Foster, Omaha, Nebraska	10	1	52.4
Horace Kemp, Bradenton, Florida	9	2	45.9
Gene Reno, Lucasville, Ohio	7	4	44.2
Roy McClure, Van Wert, Ohio	7	4	42.3
Al Nowatske, Mukwongo, Wisconsin	6	5	43.5
Ottie Reno, Waverly, Ohio	6	5	42.9
Harry Page, Waterloo, Iowa	5	6	42.9
Willson Hubbard, Tampa, Florida	2	9	35.9
Gerard Phillabaum, Lakeside, Ohio	2	9	34.0
M. A. Bruce, Walnut Hill, Illinois	2	9	27.8
Wm. Costello, St. Petersburg, Florida			Forfeited

CLASS C

GROUP 1

	W	L
Harvey Gampher, Ohio	4	1
Elmer Smith, N. Y.	3	2
Henry Spiess, Fla.	2	3
Ray Middleton, Mich.	4	1
James Christman, Ohio	2	3
H. A. Berdan, Fla.	0	5

GROUP 2

	W	L
Roy Gravink, N. Y.	4	1
Howard Wells, Ind.	2	3
John Thurn, Fla.		Forfeit
Clyde Smallwood, Ohio	2	3
Elwin Smith, Fla.	4	1
Harry Garman, Ind.	3	2

FINALS PLAYOFF CLASS C

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| 1. Harvey Gampher | 3. Roy Gravink |
| 2. Elwin Smith | 4. Ray Middleton |

FROM HERE AND THERE

Lee Davis of Ridgefield, New Jersey reports a correction on the location of the two new indoor courts recently opened in his area. They are located at the Dreamland Bowling Lanes in Newark, New Jersey. He also reports that he rolled a big 278 game falling short of a 700 series by a few pins. He has five series of over 690 pins to his credit this season. Nice bowling, Lee.



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