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Horseshoe Hall Of Fame Nominations

The Horseshoe Pitching Hall of Fame which was established by the NHPA last year will add three new names to the roster this year.

Nominations for the Hall of Fame will be made by the general membership and these should be made now and sent to any member of the Hall of Fame selection committee during the next two months. Any player, promoter or organizer, whether they are now active or not, including those figures of the past, who have passed away, will be eligible for consideration.

Nominations should be sent to any or all of the five man selection committee whose names and addresses follow;

Marvin Chrisman, Chairman, 213 Vine Street, Connersville, Ind.

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Katie Gregson, Box 731, Crestline, Calif.

Lee Jacobs, 11105 Quirk Road, Belleville, Mich.

Eino Tiilikainen, 314 West Ramona St., Colorado Springs, Colo.

Two players and one non-player will be selected by the committee from the nominations and added to the roster of the seven charter members of the Hall of Fame who were inducted last year. Their names and pictures will be added to the beautiful Hall of Fame plaque and placed on display at the World Tournament and other big tournaments around the country.

The seven charter members who were inducted last year were Ted Allen, David Cottrell, Archie Gregson, Raymond Howard, Fernando Isais, Frank Jackson and Arch Stokes.

Kansas City Club Announces Tournament Dates

The Heart of America Horseshoe club of Kansas City, Missouri, announces that it will again host the National AAU Juniors tournament. Date of the meet has been set for Saturday, May 20 at Northeast Athletic field, in Kansas City. Starting time will be 10 A.M. Location of courts is at St. John and Belmont Streets, just east of the Montgomery Ward store.

Winner in the 1966 "Tournament of Champions" was Floyd Toole of Little Rock, Arkansas. Harry Strohm of Kansas City, Missouri will be the defending champion in the second annual AAU Juniors tournament.

Another great tournament will be the annual Tournament of Champions scheduled for Saturday and Sunday June 3 and 4. The listing of entries will be the deciding factor in starting the meet. With the assumption that there will be enough players entered, there will be at least 5 classes with 12 to 16 men in Class A. The other four classes will have 8 men each. Mr. Harry Strohm, who is in charge of both meets would like to have qualifying scores sent to him by May 20 along with an entry fee of \$3.00. His address is as follows: Mr. Harry Strohm, 419 South White Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64123. On the Juniors AAU meet, there is no age limit.

World Tournament Plans Progressing

Stakes at the Fargo Park District's Oak Grove park courts — site of the 1967 World Tournament — have been covered by snow since last December. It has been a severe winter of cold and snow (up to 26 below zero and few days without snow).

But the "hot stove league" has been fired up through it all as World Tournament plans zeroed in with hopes of staging the largest tournament ever. Meanwhile, pitchers have kept razor sharp on the first indoor courts in the area at the Fargo-Moorhead YMCA.

Much to the delight of present league members, a host of former pitchers who dropped by the wayside during recent years are coming out of "retirement."

The influx of returnees will necessitate expansion of the 10-man league. Restored enthusiasm is expected to help the World Tournament cause.

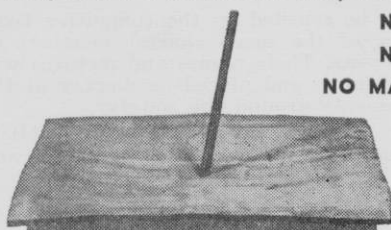
Pitchers from surrounding towns have retained their keen interest in the game during the winter. Pitchers from Cooperstown, Hannaford, Kindred, N. D., and Elizabeth, Minn., have tried out the indoor courts.

By the time the first shoe is pitched at the World Tournament it is likely that nearly 100 per cent of the people throughout the Red River Valley will be informed that the classic will be held in F-M.

The task of selling ads in the World Tournament souvenir program during below zero temperatures is one of the big jobs. But as of late February those in charge report a splendid response.

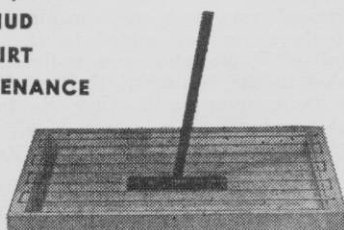
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Throughout the winter months, Don Koso, 803 East 12th Street, Falls City, Nebraska and Herbert Pinch, 592 Hull Street, Sharon, Pennsylvania, have been busy getting NHPA items ready for sale and distribution. They are the official distributors of NHPA supplies and equipment. All orders MUST be sent to them, and be accompanied by a check or money order to cover cost of items ordered.

A new cap will be available this season. It will have a red bill with green on the underside, and the NHPA insignia on the front. Also the sport shirt with collar and pocket having the NHPA insignia above the pocket. Being a very dressy shirt, it is hoped that all players will avail themselves of this item. There will also be a supply of the 1967 Allen shoes and the Lee shoes together with the new Imperial shoe. Diamond, Gordon, Ohio and American shoes are also in supply. A very handy, deluxe carrying case can be had at a nominal cost. The 1967 revised edition of the NHPA's Horseshoe Pitching Manual "How-to-do-it" is now ready.

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	Diamond	American Gordon	Ohio Lee	Imperial	Allen
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N.H.P.A. Auto Decals — red, white and blue — \$.50 — 6 or more \$.35 each.

N.H.P.A. Belt Buckles — Chrome finish — \$2.00 each.

N.H.P.A. Insignias — 6"x6" — \$1.00, suitable for jackets.

N.H.P.A. Insignias — 3"x3" — \$.60, suitable for shirts and caps.

SCORESHEETS — pad of 100 — \$.75, DELUXE percentage chart — \$1.50

PERCENTAGE Charts, Pocket size \$.50.

INDIVIDUAL Round Robin Schedule Cards — 6 to 12 man — \$1.75 per 100.

MASTER Summary Charts — 6 to 8 man — \$.60 per dozen — 10-12 man
\$.60 per dozen.

HORSESHOE Bold or Western Ties — \$1.00 each, 6 or more \$.75 each.

HORSESHOE Pitchers Manual — "The How to do it Book" — \$.50
6 or more — \$.35 each.

The Horseshoe Pitchers News Digest — The N.H.P.A. Monthly magazine —
\$2.50 a year.

NHPA TROPHIES should be ordered through Robert G. Pence, 341 Polk St.,
Gary, Indiana 46402. Write to him for FREE catalog.

NHPA Membership Hits New High In 1966 — Washington Has Biggest Increase

NHPA membership established an all time high in 1966 with a gain of more than 250 members, all of which is an indication that the game of horseshoe is still in a healthy state and in no danger of going the way of the horse and buggy.

This membership record could not have been established without the support of the various state association, the co-operation of many local clubs and the fine work of the state secretaries. More and more of the local clubs are working with the various state associations and this is perhaps the key to our overall membership increase.

By far the largest increase was registered by the Washington State Association where Francis Winetrout, the secretary, did a fine job. This state also had the largest representation at the World Tournament in Utah.

North Dakota, where the 1967 World Tourney will be held next August, also posted a huge increase. This is largely the work of the Red River Valley League in Fargo led by Henry Wisness, Will Gullickson, Gus Magnuson and others, but there are great number of local clubs working closely with the Red River Valley group and 1967 should be another banner year in the state.

A year ago Michigan and Minnesota had posted the biggest gains and both states maintained their record during 1966. The Michigan Wolverine Association actually registered another fair sized gain which was a surprise following the huge increase of the previous year. Minnesota showed an increase in magazine subscriptions and looks forward to a big 1967 since the World Tourney will be held in nearby Fargo.

South Dakota, where Leigh Dunker serves as state secretary, turned in a big increase for the second year in a row and also looks forward to an excellent 1967 due to the proximity of the World Tournament action.

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NHPA Membership — (Continued)

Missouri was another state with an excellent membership record in 1966. H. P. Heidel was the new secretary in the Show Me State and his contribution was a substantial one.

Tennessee picked up in membership. The secretary, Ben Raskopt, had real help from Billy Stidham in Piney Flats, the Tri County league in eastern Tennessee and several new clubs chief among whom was the group at Cleveland.

Virginia's big increase was due chiefly to the addition of the fine new club in Winchester. Added to the old standbys of Lynchburg and Richmond, horseshoe in the Old Dominion should enjoy an excellent year in 1967.

Montana and Idaho both turned in modest membership increases despite the handicap of having to replace state secretaries who moved out of the state. W. K. Snyder in Idaho and Herman Jensen in Montana picked up the reins in fine fashion and both states should have a banner 1967.

The Ohio Buckeye Association deserves special mention. Ranking 2nd to Indiana in membership year after year, it is more difficult for the Ohio group to register a membership gain, but they did just that in 1966, which speaks well for the entire setup in the Buckeye state. Along with Michigan and Northern California, Ohio probably has the best co-ordinated state organization.

Pennsylvania was another state with a large membership which did even better in 1966. There are probably more top players in Pennsylvania, than in any other state, and they are concentrated in the western end. Should the other half of the state jell in the same manner, Pennsylvania would probably surpass both Indiana and California in membership.

The Iowa Hawkeye Association where Lucille Hopkins does yeoman work every year also increased its NHPA membership.

Indiana once again led the NHPA membership list, as it has so many years in the past. There was a slight drop in Indiana membership during 1966 but it was a very small one. State secretary Earle Wilmore does an excellent job in the Hoosier state and his biggest problem is a top heavy schedule of events due to the large number of local clubs with excellent facilities with each one desiring to stage a big tournament.

If the totals of the two California associations were added together the total would be even greater than the Indiana membership. Northern California's gain in 1966 was a good sized one. Southern California's gain was smaller but it had a big gain in "Digest" subscriptions.

There were more Canadians on the NHPA roster in 1966 than ever before, but the total is still far below what it should be north of the border. Vern Morin's work in the Ottawa area, where he heads a huge network of local leagues, was mainly responsible for the Canadian gain.

The addition of the Michigan Upper Peninsula to the list of state chapters helped add to the membership increase. There are many players in this area, but they are far removed from the center of activities, even in their own state. This makes membership progress difficult.

Florida, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New York, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming all equaled or bettered their previous membership totals.

COVER PICTURE . . . In respect to the memory of a true sportsman and horseshoe pitcher, we publish the last action picture of the late Walter "Bud" Horner of Indiana. He will not be back to defend the Suncoast Open crown that he won last year in Florida, where he spent his winters. He was a great contender in any tournament that he played in and averaged in the 70's most of the time. His place will be vacant but we will remember him thus . . . "The roses in memory's garden never fade away".

Photo by Brandenton Herald

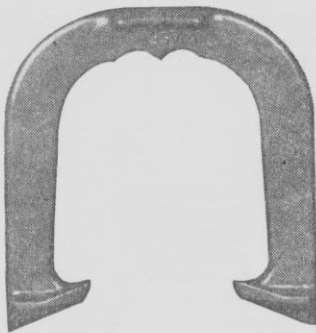
Ben Shores Wins Hobbs Open At Kokomo, Indiana

CLASS AA			CLASS A				
	W	L	%		W	L	%
B. Shores, Wilkinson	7	0	75.3	R. Konieczny, LaPorte	5	0	62.0
C. Reel, Kokomo	6	1	70.0	C. Hanson, Russiaville	4	1	62.1
L. Mullins, Muncie	5	2	64.8	F. Gross, Kokomo	3	2	52.3
H. Holland, Indpls.	4	3	58.9	F. Croddy, Kokomo	2	3	51.6
J. Shuck, Sharpsville	2	5	59.5	R. B. Wilson, Cin., Ohio	1	4	50.9
I. Rookstool, Syracuse	2	5	58.0	B. Rist, Kokomo	0	5	44.3
R. Miller, Springfield, O.	1	6	52.1				
H. Coy, Kokomo	1	6	48.2				

CLASS CC			CLASS C				
	W	L	%		W	L	%
K. Pendergrass, Kokomo ..	5	0	56.6	G. Kuk, LaPorte	5	1	41.8
R. Strang, Elkhart	3	2	54.0	F. Baxter, Tipton	4	2	41.6
G. Miller, Kokomo	3	2	48.2	J. Wiegel, LaPorte	3	2	37.9
P. Van Sickle, Indpls.	2	3	44.9	D. Wright, Columbia City ..	2	3	38.9
C. Patrick, Whiteland	2	3	44.8	L. Dearing, Greenfield ..	1	4	36.6
D. Hough, LaPorte	0	5	44.3	R. Hanson, Russiaville	1	4	34.7

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January Red Mill Invitational Won By Frank Kilinsky

Frank Kilinsky won the play-off match against Buck Engle to capture the Class A Title of the January Red Mill Invitational Tournament held at Washington, Pennsylvania, pitching a ringer average of 75.5%. Buck Engle was runner-up with a percentage of 73.3.

Class B champion was Clyde Martz, whose 72% topped the field in that division. Runner-up in this Class was Pete Sowa, whose average was 67.9%. Class C ended in a two way tie between Carl Nagode and Andy Ponick, with Carl winning the play-off, compiling an average of 60.4%, while Andy's average was 54.6%. Also ending in a two way tie was Class D, with Nick Wohar winning over George Combs in the play-off. The play-off winner in Class E was N. Ealy over C. Ealy.

CLASS A				CLASS B			
	W	L	%		W	L	%
F. Kilinsky	4	1	75.5	C. Martz	4	0	72.0
O. Engle	3	2	78.3	P. Sowa	3	1	67.9
J. Solomon	2	2	77.4	J. Ruskin	2	2	61.1
S. Sutton	1	3	76.4	A. Booth	1	3	55.8
H. Shriver	1	3	73.2	V. Wellington	0	4	55.3

CLASS C				CLASS D			
	W	L	%		W	L	%
C. Nagode	4	1	60.4	N. Wohar	3	1	45.2
A. Ponick	3	2	54.6	G. Combs	2	2	38.0
F. Oliverio	2	2	50.0	C. Sprowls	1	2	44.8
C. Falk	1	3	47.9	J. Wagner	1	2	33.5
C. Sowa	1	3	47.5				

CLASS E			
	W	L	%
N. Ealy	4	1	37.3
C. Ealy	3	2	29.3
D. Martin	2	2	31.0
D. Allison	1	3	26.8
C. Wright	1	3	25.4

Shamrock Open — San Antonio, Texas — March 18-19

The Lakeside Horseshoe Pitching Club of San Antonio, Texas, has set the weekend of March 18-19 for the annual Shamrock Open.

This is a real fun tournament which offers an enjoyable week-end under the South Texas sun for novice as well as expert horseshoe pitchers. Bar-B-Que chicken for participants and their families will be available both days.

The Lakeside Horseshoe Pitching Club sponsors the Shamrock in the early part of the year as a spring board for NHPA members to start off a successful pitching season. We also have found that the Shamrock is an ideal tournament to introduce novice horseshoe pitchers to our fine sport and to the enjoyable competitive spirit experienced in Tournament pitching.

The tournament will be held on the courts of the Lakeside Horseshoe Club. To get there, take Loop 410 and turn north on Nacogdoches Road, follow Nacogdoches for approximately 2 miles, then turn left on Carver Road just opposite Stull Chemical Plant, which road takes you direct to the Lakeside Horseshoe Club.

The tournament will start at 11:00 AM both Saturday and Sunday. Pitchers will be classed by number of ringers thrown in 100 shoes. Novice horseshoe pitchers will be in a special class and need not qualify. Entry fee is \$2.00. Two trophies will be awarded for each class. Qualifying scores or request for further information should be sent to Jim Woodson, 235 Rainbow Dr., San Antonio, Texas. Out of state qualifying scores should be forwarded by 11 March 1967.

"How To Do It" Manual Available Again

An enlarged, improved and revised edition of the NHPA's "How To Do it" booklet, *The Horseshoe Pitcher's Manual*, is once more available after several months of preparation.

The new manual is 52 pages with many new illustrations and charts, and covers all technical phases of the game. The booklet contains a total of 31 illustration, pictures and charts to accompany the various articles ranging from the official rules to how to build courts, organize a club, conduct tournaments, leagues, handicap play and proper pitching techniques.

News Digest editor Ellis Cobb, and NHPA Secretary Bob Pence are the co-editors. The booklet sells for 50¢ per copy or in orders of five or more for 35¢. It is a must for all club officials and tournament managers.

Especially important is the sections dealing with NHPA recommendations covering tournament forfeits, breaking ties and conducting qualifying.

The Manual can be obtained from any of the following:

Robert G. Pence, 341 Polk St., Gary, Ind. 46402

Don Koso, 803 E. 12th St., Falls City, Nebr. 68355

Herb Pinch, 592 Hull St., Sharon, Pa. 16146

Elmer Beller, 9725 Palm Ave., Bellflower, Calif. 90706

Michigan Has New Secretary

Marguerite Buhler has resigned as Secretary of the Michigan Wolverine Association due to a lack of time to attend to the affairs of the office.

For the present Irene Crable, Box 156, Dimondale, Mich. 48821, wife of the association President, Earl Grable, is handling NHPA memberships and subscriptions. Other Michigan officers include Jim Ostrander of Lansing, Vic Benson of Dimondale and Pat Smith of Dimondale.

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Ray Cavin Announces Two Open Tournament Dates In Missouri

Dates have been set for 2 open tournaments, to be held at Noyes Field Courts, 28th and Edmond Sts. in St. Joseph, Mo. The "St. Joe Open" will be held June 25th and the "Midland Empire" Sept. 10th.

All qualifying scores of 100 shoes, and \$3.00 entry fee, may be mailed to Ray Cavin, 1824 Holman St., St. Joseph, Mo. 64501.

Starting time 9 A.M. on each tournament date. As there will be no qualifying on tourney day. Pitchers may qualify on Saturday before, day or night. 8 man classes in A, B, C, all other classes, 6 man. Trophies will be awarded all class winners.

Rademacher Wins Orlando (Florida) Open

John Rademacher had no trouble winning 6 straight games to cop Class A in the Orlando Open Horseshoe Tournament at the beautiful Sunshine Park, Orlando, Fla. Keegan of Hollywood, Fla., placed second losing only to Rademacher.

Joe Hightower of Colchester, Ill., won Class B with 6 wins & 1 loss, Frank Sumpter of Ohio placed second, Arnold of Muncie, Ind., took 3rd place money.

Roy Gravink of Mayville, N. Y. won all six of his games to take the Class C title. Second place required a play-off between Horace Kemp of Bradenton and Phil Callahan of Lakeland, Fla., as each had a 5 & 2 record, Kemp won 55-32.

Class D was the most exciting Class as Opal Corbett of New Castle, Pa., and Jack Ellis of Bradenton battled it out for 1st place. The score was Ellis 49 — Corbett 47 — Ellis had a ringer & close point when Corbett finished the game with 2 ringers! Final score 50-49.

Asa Drinkwater, Bradenton, also won all 6 of his games to win 1st place money in Class E. Harvey Hookway of Bradenton and Bob Keegan, Hollywood were tied for second place with Hookway winning 51-32. This was Keegan's first Tourney. He is the son of Wm. Keegan who placed second in Class A.

CLASS A

	W	L	%		W	L	%
J. Rademacher, Fla.	6	0	66.6	E. Ridge, Fla.	2	4	48.8
W. Keegan, Fla.	5	1	59.2	B. Hoover, Fla.	1	4	37.4
Arnold, Ind.	4	2	54.9	J. Wilkinson, Ohio	0	6	22.4
A. Clinger, Fla.	2	3	40.6				

CLASS B

	W	L	%
J. Hightower, Ill.	6	1	53.8
F. Sumpter, Ohio	5	2	48.2
J. Foster, Neb.	4	3	44.3
J. Peters, Fla.	4	3	44.2
W. Fisy, Fla.	3	4	42.1
C. Hodgeman, Mich.	3	4	41.6
G. Rademacher, Fla.	3	4	39.6
P. Bachous, Fla.	Forfeit		

CLASS C

	W	L	%
R. Gravink, N.Y.	6	0	43.9
H. Kemp, Fla.	5	2	41.8
P. Callahan, Fla.	5	2	35.1
L. Peary, Fla.	4	3	40.7
J. Morgan, Ind.	3	4	38.6
W. Whitmore, Maine ...	3	4	36.7
J. Thornet, Fla.	1	6	28.9
G. Kuhn, Pa.	0	7	29.3

CLASS D

	W	L	%
O. Corbett, Pa.	4	1	44.2
J. Ellis, Fla.	4	1	47.2
R. Hitchcock, Ohio	3	2	39.1
H. Spiess, Fla.	2	3	37.9
S. Rodgers, Mich.	2	3	31.3
T. Corbett, Pa.	0	5	29.9

CLASS E

	W	L	%
A. Drinkwater, Fla.	6	0	22.0
H. Hookway, Fla.	4	2	24.4
R. Keegan, Fla.	4	2	19.9
J. Kelly, Mich.	3	3	21.3
B. Webster, Fla.	2	4	21.5
L. McGrath, Ohio	2	4	13.8
H. Cook, Fla.	0	6	9.8

Vandegriff Tops Field To Win 2nd Annual Burlington Indoor Open

Creighton Vandegriff of Fairfield, Iowa laid on a heavy barrage of ringers to win the second annual Burlington Indoor Open tournament held at the Armory in Burlington, Iowa, February 2. The Dixon Portable courts proved very much to his liking as he swept the field of Class A contenders, which included Glen Henton, the 1966 Iowa state champion. Henton was runner-up to Vandegriff with Harold Darnold taking over third position. John Law of Gladstone, Illinois latched on to the Class B title while two Ottumwa, Iowa ringermen, Charles Foxx and Jack Cook, claimed first place in Class C and D respectively.

The editor of the News Digest, Ellis Cobb and his wife braved the snow-banked highways from Aurora, Illinois, to pay a surprise visit to the tournament. This being his initial visit to a major indoor tournament, he was greatly impressed with the accuracy of the pitching on the rubberized courts.

The Burlington club ladies served refreshments all through the meet for the players and other guests. The next indoor meet is scheduled for the Coliseum in Ottumwa, Iowa on Saturday, March 18th. Qualifying starts at noon and closes at 5:30 P.M., with the finals beginning promptly at 6 P.M. There will be trophies awarded in each class. Refreshments will be served.

CLASS A				CLASS B			
	W	L	%		W	L	
C. Vandegriff, Iowa	5	0	75.5	J. Law, Ill.	4	1	
Glen Henton, Iowa	3	2	68.5	B. Ricker, Iowa	3	2	
H. Darnold, Iowa	2	2	66.6	C. VanDusen, Ill.	3	1	
P. Robertson, Iowa	2	2	53.3	R. Ritz, Iowa	2	2	
B. Hafner, Iowa	2	2	60.0	R. Sornberger, Ill.	1	3	
L. Jeter, Iowa	1	3	54.1	B. Burgess, Iowa	2	2	
E. Danielson, Iowa	1	3	60.0	J. Davis, Iowa	1	3	
P. Jenson, Ill.	1	3	49.0	R. Rubison, Ill.	1	3	
CLASS C				CLASS D			
	W	L			W	L	
C. Foxx, Iowa	4	0		J. Cook, Iowa	4	0	
L. Austin, Iowa	2	2		H. Paxton, Iowa	2	2	
H. Gilpin, Iowa	2	1		B. Conkel, Iowa	2	1	
A. Jackson, Iowa	1	2		E. Ryner, Ill.	2	1	
F. Hardin, Iowa	1	2		H. Fite, Iowa	0	3	
B. St. George, Ill.	0	3		L. Waddle, Iowa	0	3	

New Jersey State Association 1967 Schedule of Events

May 7 — JUNIOR A.A.U. TOURNAMENT (for New Jersey players only). Middlesex — Thomas P. Simchock Recreation Field, Play begins at 12:30 P.M. sharp.

May 21 — LOIS E. KOLB MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT (Open tournament) Middlesex — Thomas P. Simchock Field. Classes C & D (under 40%) start at 10:00 A.M. sharp. Classes A & B start at 1:00 P.M.

June 4 — A.A.U. OPEN TOURNAMENT (Open to all players). Newark — Branch Brook Park. Classes C & D (under 40%) start at 10:00 A.M. sharp. Classes A & B start at 1:00 P.M.

June 18 — JOHN ROSSELET MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT (Open tournament). Elizabeth — Warinanco Park. Sponsored by the Union County Park Commission. Classes C & D (under 40%) start at 10:00 A.M. sharp. Classes A & B start at 1:00 P.M.

July 2 — NEW JERSEY OPEN TOURNAMENT (Open to all players). Middlesex — Thomas P. Simchock Field. Classes C & D (under 40%) start at 10:00 A.M. sharp. Classes A & B start at 1:00 P.M.

New Jersey 1967 Schedule — (Continued)

July 16 — MIDDLE ATLANTIC STATES CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT (New Jersey, New York, & Pennsylvania players only) Middlesex — Thomas P. Simchock Field. Prize list includes \$100.00 cash to Class A champion. ADVANCE ENTRIES only — must be received no later than Saturday, July 8th, and must be accompanied by \$5.00 registration fee and ringer percentage certified by players' State Secretary — NO QUALIFYING !!! Classes according to entries — 8 players in each class. Players assigned to Class A will pay an additional \$5.00. Starting time is 12:30 P.M. sharp — unless otherwise notified. All entries to be mailed to PAUL PUGLISE, Tournament Director, 200 Luddington Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey 07011.

July 30 — ESSEX COUNTY TOURNAMENT (Open tournament). Newark — Branch Brook Park. Classes C & D (under 40%) start at 10:00 A.M. sharp. Classes A & B start at 1:00 P.M.

Aug. 13 — SENIOR A.A.U. TOURNAMENT (for New Jersey players only). Elizabeth — Warinanco Park. Play begins at 12:30 P.M. sharp.

Aug. 27 — NEW JERSEY SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS (New Jersey players only). Elizabeth — Warinanco Park. Play begins at 12:30 P.M. sharp.

Sept. 10 — NEW JERSEY DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIPS (New Jersey players only). Newark — Branch Brook Park. Play begins at 12:30 P.M. sharp.

NOTE !!! RAIN DATE FOR ALL TOURNAMENTS IS THE FOLLOWING SUNDAY !!!

Sam Sutton Again Wins Washington County Tournament

Pitching an average of 77%, Sam Sutton easily captured the Class A Title at the Washington County, Pennsylvania Tournament with a perfect record of 7 wins and 0 defeats. Placing second, losing only to Sutton, was Joe Wohar.

Class B ended in a two way tie between M. Cherup and P. Lovetere, with Cherup winning the play-off game. John Allison won the Class C Title with 7 wins and 0 loss record. J. Schneider was the runner-up, winning 6 and losing 1. Taking Class D honors was T. Crouse, with J. Wright placing second. The Women's Division Title was won by Mary Cherup with Mary Ann Kilinsky runner-up.

CLASS A				CLASS B			
	W	L	%		W	L	%
S. Sutton	7	0	77.0	M. Cherup	7	1	53.1
J. Wohar	6	1	68.2	P. Lovetere	6	2	51.6
F. Kilinsky	5	2	64.5	C. Sprowls	5	2	44.8
J. Frazier	3	4	44.2	J. Barnhart	5	2	40.9
F. Oliverio	2	5	55.1	C. King	2	5	39.1
A. Booth	2	5	47.1	J. Wagner	2	5	36.1
C. Nagode	2	5	45.8	C. Ealy	2	5	30.2
M. Comstock	1	6	42.6				

CLASS C				CLASS D			
	W	L	%		W	L	%
G. Allison	7	0	35.4	T. Crouse	6	1	23.9
J. Schneider	6	1	35.9	J. Wright	5	2	26.3
J. Beck	4	3	32.9	R. Ealy	5	2	25.7
E. Ealy	4	3	26.0	J. Kilinsky	5	2	20.3
A. Cole	3	4	27.9	H. Wright	4	3	22.7
C. Wright	2	5	27.1	J. Fields	2	5	18.1
R. Anderson	1	6	26.9	R. Briggs	1	6	14.1
D. Martin	1	6	21.3	L. Crouse	0	7	10.4

"I've been trying to see you all week," said the patient over the phone. "When may I have an appointment?"

"You must make a date with my secretary," replied the dentist.

"I did; we had a swell evening; but I've still got to see you."

Plant City, Florida Open Title Goes To Bill Keegan

Pitching steady games, William Keegan of Hollywood dominated the Class A division of the Plant City Open Horseshoe Tournament held at the Plant City fairgrounds on Sat. Feb. 11th. A record field of entries necessitated the adding of 8 additional courts to the existing facilities. The Class B race ended in a three way tie between Alton Hodgman and Earl Grable of Michigan and Joe Morgan of Indiana with Hodgman gaining the verdict after winning the playoff games. Ross Hitchcock won all games he played in Class C. Phil Callahan of Lakeland and Carl Lundgren won 6 and lost 1 each in Class D & E respectively. Trophies were awarded to 1st and 2nd place winners in Classes A, B, and C, and horseshoes in the D & E classes.

CLASS A

	W	L	SP	R	%
William Keegan, Hollywood	5	0	314	176	56.1
John Rademacher, Plant City	4	1	340	194	57.6
Cris Hanson, Sarasota	3	2	314	133	42.4
Gene Rademacher, Plant City	2	3	378	183	48.4
William Hoover, Orlando	1	4	348	162	46.6
Joe Wilkinson, Akron, Ohio	0	5	282	95	33.7

CLASS B

	W	L	SP	R	%
A. Hodgman, Michigan	6	1	478	219	45.8
J. Morgan, Indiana	6	1	478	215	45.0
E. Grable, Michigan	6	1	436	182	41.7
F. Sumpter, Ohio	3	4	486	200	41.2
W. Peters, Florida	3	4	434	157	36.2
W. Figy, Ohio	2	5	494	202	40.9
J. Foster, Nebraska	2	5	426	160	37.6
R. Gravink, New York	0	7	460	160	34.8

CLASS C

	W	L	SP	R	%
Ross Hitchcock, Ohio	7	0	472	189	40.0
H. Kemp, Florida	5	2	410	191	46.6
J. Ellis, Florida	4	3	466	193	41.4
G. Kuhn, Pa.	3	4	394	143	36.3
J. Guernsey, Michigan	3	4	494	168	34.0
Abe Berdan, Michigan	2	5	383	114	29.8
R. Whittmore, Maine	2	5	470	165	35.1
H. Garman, Indiana	1	6	424	112	26.4

CLASS D

	W	L	SP	R	%
Phil Callahan, Florida	6	1	412	157	38.1
Opal Corbett, Pa.	5	2	476	129	37.1
Joe Thonert, Florida	4	3	450	147	32.7
H. Rogers, Michigan	3	4	476	133	27.9
Ted Corbett, Pa.	3	4	422	96	22.7
Joe Kelly, Florida	3	4	442	98	22.2
H. Hookway, Florida	2	5	444	124	27.9
B. Webster, Florida	2	5	424	82	19.3

CLASS E

	W	L	SP	R	%
Carl Lundgren, Florida	6	1	204	62	30.4
H. Ehmke, New York	5	2	238	63	26.5
A. Drinkwater, Florida	5	2	246	45	18.3
K. Davison, Florida	5	2	288	51	17.7
Frank Statzer, Florida	4	3	252	50	19.8
H. Cook, Florida	2	5	206	33	16.0
D. Toney, Florida	1	6	228	31	13.6
L. McGrath, Ohio				Forfeit	

COMING EVENTS

March 15-18 — DeSoto Open tournament, Bradenton Trailer Park courts, Bradenton, Florida.

March 18-19 — Red Mill Open tournament, indoor club courts, Washington, Pennsylvania.

March 18-19 — Annual Shamrock Open tournament, Lakeside Club courts, San Antonio, Texas.

March 20-25 — Suncoast Open tournament, Bradenton Trailer park courts, Bradenton, Florida. Entry deadline, March 20.

April 1 — Orlando Open tournament, Sunshine park courts, Orlando, Florida. Entry deadline, March 27.

April 15-16 — Red Mill Open tournament, indoor club courts, Washington, Pennsylvania.

April 8 thru April 23 — New Rome Open tournament, courts located at New Rome, Columbus 28, Ohio, two miles west on Route 40, Pasadena, Avenue. Qualifying rounds start March 18th and continue each weekend in March.

June 12 — Froid, Montana Open tournament. Froid, Montana.

June 18 — Annual Crete Open tournament, Tuxedo park courts, Crete, Nebraska.

June 26 — Wibaux Open tournament, Wibaux, Montana.

June 23-24-25 — Third annual Hebron Open tournament, courts located on Route 440, 25 miles east of Columbus, Ohio, north of new route 70. Take the Hebron and Newark exit, Hebron, Ohio.

July 2 — Montana A.A.U. Open tournament, Fort Peck, Montana.

July 4 — Mound City Open Territory tournament, Mound City, Missouri. Send qualifying scores to Stanley Brickley, RFD, Mound City, Missouri.

July 9 — Annual 4-State tournament, City park courts, Falls City, Nebraska.

July 16 — Annual Culbertson Open tournament, Culbertson, Montana.

August 13 — Annual Galesburg Open tournament, Lincoln park courts, Galesburg, Illinois.

August 15-16 — Annual Illinois state tournament, Illinois state fairgrounds, Springfield, Illinois.

August 16 — Annual Illinois State Boys' tournament, Illinois State fairgrounds, Springfield, Illinois.

August 20 — Annual Falls City Open tournament, City park courts, Falls City, Nebraska.

Sept. 2-3 — Annual Nebraska State tournament, Cozad, Nebraska.

Sept. 3 — Annual Rock River Valley Open tournament, Lawrence park courts, Rock Falls, Illinois.

Sept. 2-3-4 — Annual Texas State tournament, Lakeside Club courts, San Antonio, Texas.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SCHEDULE

- January 22 — Baldwin Park Open, Baldwin Park
 March 5 — Fullerton "C" Open, Fullerton
 March 12 — Class "B" and "E" Open, South Gate
 March 19 — Class "A" and "D" Open, South Gate
 April 2 — Pomona Open, Pomona
 April 9 — Class "G" Open, Pomona
 April 16 — Baldwin Park "C" Open, Baldwin Park
 April 22 — Baldwin Park Doubles (SAT), Baldwin Park
 April 23 — South Gate "E" and "B", South Gate
 April 30 — Oxnard "AA" and "C" Open, Oxnard
 May 7 — Fullerton "F" Open, Fullerton
 May 21 — San Diego Open and "D" Open, San Diego
 May 27 — Pomona Doubles (SAT), Pomona
 May 28 — *South Gate "D" and "G", South Gate
 June 4 — Long Beach Open, Long Beach
 June 10-11 — June Round Up, South Gate
 June 18 — *Fullerton "B" Open, Fullerton
 June 25 — *Long Beach "C" Open, Long Beach
 July 1 — Semana Nautica "B", Santa Barbara
 July 2 — Semana Nautica Open, Santa Barbara
 July 9 — Baldwin Park "E" Open, Baldwin Park
 July 15-16 — *Western Open, South Gate
 July 23 — Oxnard "AA" and "C", Oxnard
 July 29 — Barstow Open, Barstow
 July 30 — *Pomona "F" Open, Pomona
 August 6 — Oxnard "B" and "E", Oxnard
 August 13 — *Pomona "G" Open, Pomona
 August 19 — Special Open (SAT), Baldwin Park
 August 20 — *Long Beach "E", Long Beach
 August 26 — Fullerton Doubles (SAT), Fullerton
 August 27 — South Gate "D" and "F" Open, South Gate
 Sept. 3-4 — Ringer Round Up, South Gate
 Sept. 10 — Champ "A" and "G", South Gate
 Sept. 24 — Champ "B" and "E", South Gate
 October 1 — Baldwin Park "D" Open, Baldwin Park
 October 8 — San Diego "C" and "E" Open, San Diego
 October 15 — Champ "AA" and "E", South Gate
 October 22 — Champ "C", Baldwin Park
 October 29 — *Fullerton "A" Open, Fullerton
 November 5 — Champ "D", Pomona
 November 12 — S. Gate Open and 60 Years, South Gate
 November 19 — South Gate Doubles, South Gate
 *No qualifying for players in said class. Percentage will determine who enters.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SCHEDULE

- April 16 — Modesto — C
 April 23 — Seaside — A
 May 7 — Arroyo — A
 May 21 — Santa Rosa — D
 May 27-28 — Golden Gate — A
 June 4 — Golden Gate — C
 June 10-11 — Los Gatos — C
 June 18 — Seaside — B
 June 25 — Northern Picnic
 July 9 — Pleasanton Fair
 July 16 — San Jose — D
 July 22-23 — Santa Rosa Fair — A
 July 30 — Vallejo — C
 August 6 — Arroyo — B
 August 19-20 — Santa Clara Fair State Championship

- August 27 — Vallejo — B
 Sept. 3-4 — Northern Championship Mosswood Park — A
 Sept. 17 — Grass Valley — A
 Sept. 24 — Seaside — D Championship
 Oct. 1 — Sacramento — A
 Oct. 8 — Arroyo — A
 Oct. 15 — Mosswood — B Championship
 Oct. 22 — Los Gatos — C Championship
 Classes from now on will be Class A-B-C-D with all classes raised by 5% Class A-54.9% and over Class B-44.9% to 54.9% Class C-34.9 to 44.9% Class D-34.9 and under.

1967 NHPA Indoor Open — Dimondale, Mich., April 22-23

The officers of the N.H.P.A. have been greatly impressed and pleased with the great increase in indoor horseshoe pitching activities this winter and firmly believe this trend should be encouraged.

Therefore when Ray McGloughlin, owner and manager of the fine six court indoor setup near Dimondale, Mich. asked for NHPA aid in setting up a big indoor tourney the National Secretary Bob Pence agreed to manage the affair with the help of the Michigan Wolverene Assoc.

The tourney will be held Sat., April 22 and Sun., April 23. The entry fee will be \$5.00 and all entries must be mailed in to Bob Pence, 341 Polk St., Gary, Ind. 46402 by April 15.

Players will be notified by return mail when their group is scheduled to start play. If more entries are received than can be accommodated the excess entry fees will be refunded.

To save time there will be no qualifying. Players will be grouped and classed on the basis of 1966 State and World Tournament averages and from results of late season opens during 1966.

It is hoped the entries will warrant three six man groups of Class A players who will play on Saturday evening with the top two in each group advancing to a six man finals Sunday afternoon. Players grouped in Class B will play Saturday afternoon with a playoff Sunday afternoon. Lower classed players will play Sunday morning starting at 10:00 A.M.

All entry fee money will go into prizes and trophies with the champion getting \$50.00.

Ray's Recreation, the tourney site, is located on U.S. 24 about 10 miles south of Lansing. It has six regulation clay courts sunk flush in a concrete floor with heating and excellent lights. The building has an excellent snack bar and other facilities.

National Secretary Bob Pence has not seen the other indoor setups around the country, but can certify that the Michigan courts are ideal from a playing standpoint.

Other indoor activities have been reported from Greenville and New Rome in Ohio, Burlington and Ottumwa in Iowa, Fargo and Valley City in North Dakota, and Red Lion, Pa. Perhaps we are on the way to a future National Indoor Championship with these and other indoor setups serving as regional centers for a true championship final.

Rademacher Play-off Victor In Manatee County Fair (Florida) Open

CLASS A				CLASS B			
	W	L	%		W	L	%
J. Rademacher, Fla.	5	2	65.7	W. Ligy, Ohio	4	1	46.0
D. Halleck, Mich.	5	2	60.0	H. Franke, Ill.	4	1	46.8
B. Arnold, Ind.	5	2	56.7	J. Morgan, Ind.	3	2	42.6
B. Lavalleur, Fla.	5	2	57.7	J. Hightower, Ill.	2	3	48.1
C. Hansen, Ill.	4	3	55.0	R. Gravink, N.Y.	2	3	37.2
J. Clingan, Fla.	2	5	51.0	H. Spiess, Fla.	0	5	27.6
W. Hoover, Fla.	2	5	47.6				
H. Knutson, Minn.	0	7	45.9				
CLASS C				CLASS D			
	W	L	%		W	L	%
F. Sumpton, Ohio	7	0	52.0	H. Kemp, Fla.	6	1	42.5
A. Hodgman, Mich.	5	2	47.5	J. Guernsey, Mich.	5	2	43.0
A. Peters, Minn.	5	2	44.2	A. Berdan, Mich.	5	2	31.8
R. Whittemore, Maine ...	4	3	42.7	R. Hitchcock, Ohio	4	3	39.2
L. Peary, Fla.	3	4	43.5	H. Garman, Ind.	3	4	36.0
J. Ellis, Fla.	3	4	39.1	O. Corbett, Pa.	2	5	32.1
J. Thonert, Fla.	1	6	38.5	Kuhn	2	5	32.4
G. Rademacher, Fla.	0	7	32.2	G. Burkland, N.Y.	1	6	27.1

Manatee County — (Continued)

CLASS E			CLASS F				
	W	L	%		W	L	%
H. Wells, Ind.	6	1	40.7	A. Drinkwater Fla.	7	0	23.3
C. Lundgren, Mich.	5	2	30.0	H. Ehmke N.Y.	6	1	23.6
D. Rogers, Mich.	5	2	30.0	J. Kelly, Fla.	5	2	31.5
L. Shanor Mich.	4	3	26.5	A. Miller	4	3	25.4
H. Hookway Fla.	3	4	23.3	H. Gampher, Ohio	3	4	13.0
B. Webster	2	5	29.4	K. Davidson, Mich.	2	5	14.6
L. Corbett Pa.	2	5	20.6	W. Wassenaar, Fla.	1	6	8.4
L. McGrath Ohio	1	6	22.5				

Indiana Family Day Is Successful

Indiana Family Day sponsored by the state association is an event which other states could emulate.

Held at Fairview Park in Anderson it featured a carry in picnic dinner, championship play in the Senior division for players over 60, the Women, Juniors, Boys, Junior Girls and doubles tourneys for Husband-Wife and Father-Son combinations. Lefthanders also had their day with an official tournament.

This marks the second year the Indiana Association has staged this event at the end of the season and it is now a permanent part of the annual program of activities — one enjoyed by all who participate.

The Anderson Club headed by Jasper Pine did a wonderful job in hosting the tournament as it did on all other events staged on its courts during the season.

World Champion Curt Day and his son Paul captured the Father-Son crown but had real competition from the Holland, Pitcher and Seibold combinations.

Harry Holland and his wife won the Husband-Wife trophy.

Charles Cummings repeated as winner of the Senior division and Bud Sampson of Muncie was undefeated among the left handers.

The Seibold family of Huntington had a big day. Junior National champion Mark Seibold added the Indiana title to his list with his brother Paris placing 3rd behind Paul Day. Bonnie Seibold upset Sue Gillespie with a fine overall 64.6 ringer percentage to take the state title in the Women's division and Bonita Seibold defeated Carolyn Wright in the finals of the Junior Girls division. Carolyn in 2nd place had a 34.6 ringer average.

SENIORS

	W	L	%
C. Cummings, Sweetser ..	5	0	62.2
O. Harshman, Frankfort ..	4	1	62.6
L. Davis, McCordsville ...	3	2	47.6
F. Emery, Mulberry	2	3	49.2
A. Moore, Wabash	0	5	34.5
B. Lykins, Muncie	1	4	21.6

LEFT HANDERS

	W	L	%
B. Sampson, Muncie	7	0	56.7
J. Shuck, Sharpville	5	2	53.2
E. Berwert, Columbia City	5	2	52.8
E. Hinshaw, Indpls.	4	3	51.8
B. Moit, Indpls.	4	3	44.3
D. Haffner, Crawfordsvle ..	2	5	32.1
C. Downham, Anderson ..	1	6	35.4
L. Stewert, Pendleton	0	7	26.0

HUSBAND-WIFE — 1. Hollands, 2. Howells, 3. Woods, 4. Hudsons.

FATHER-SONS — 1. Curt & Paul Day, 2. Harry & Bill Holland, 3, & 4. Ray & Jim Pitcher, Curley & Mark & Paris Seibold.

WOMEN — 1. Bonnie Seibold; 2. Sue Gillespie

JUNIOR GIRLS — 1. Bonita Seibold; 2. Carolyn Wright

JUNIORS — 1. Mark Seibold; 2. Paul Day; 3. Paris Seibold.

JUNIOR BOYS — Bill Holland; Monte Wood.

INTERMEDIATES — 1. Dave Holland; 2. Del Lykins.



A World Tournament Story

Were You There?

Ernie LaVoie of Oregon

Was In 1966!

Will You Be There In 1967?

We were elated to meet Vicki Chapelle Winston, after she had won the Ladies' world title for the sixth time . . . saw Maddox lose a tough one to Isais . . . watching Elmer Hohl and that low, hard 1 3/4. What a competitor; enjoyed my talk with him — Harold Reno with his 5 or 6 swings prior to that reverse 3/4 turn release! A real GREAT with such a pleasant personality. — Isais with his beautiful delivery, a picture to watch — The expression "3 ringers" so noticeable to us who usually say 2 dead and three — Day finally winning the works with a record breaking 86.6. — Kuchcinski, the young crowd pleaser, with his low, hard 1 1/4 southpaw delivery. It seemed that he reached out half way to the next peg with his follow thru! — Ted Allen saying to Anthony as he handed him the "most improved player" trophy, "I hope I get it next year!" What a laugh and round of applause that remark drew. — watching John Monasmith throw all those ringers. How did he miss the top class? — Winnie Winetroun always smiling and making many friends — Clete Chapelle, Howard Peterson, & Ron Miller of Portland not faring so well but having wonderful time. — The great Northwest pitcher in the championship class "A" group, — Henry Knauff of Washington. I followed him through every game and believe me, I was as thrilled as he when he finished THIRD BEST in the world! In that tough and deciding game with Curt Day, they threw eleven consecutive "four deads" before Curt won.

Baldwin Park Open — Southern California

	W	L	R	SP	%
Joe Dawsey, Oxnard	9	2	386	550	70.1
John Snyder, Chula Vista	8	3	394	550	71.6
Jim Weeks, Norwalk	8	3	392	550	71.2
Louie Dean, Pomona	8	3	388	550	70.5
John Walker, Chula Vista	7	4	405	550	73.6
Ed McFarland, Sepulveda	7	4	388	550	70.5
Ned Shaver, Whittier	5	6	392	550	71.2
John Balzer, Santa Ana	4	7	364	550	66.1
Pat Brady, Torrance	4	7	348	550	63.2
Henry Durr, Los Angeles	3	8	337	550	61.2
Ted Paul, W. Covina	1	10	312	550	56.7
Gunnar Hansen, Baldwin Park	1	10	276	550	50.1

Third Annual Ottumwa Indoor Open — March 18

The third annual Ottumwa Indoor Open tournament will be held on Saturday, March 18, in the Coliseum basement in Ottumwa, Iowa. Coliseum is located immediately across from the Riverside park. Players should use the basement entrance at the rear of the building. Qualifying will be from 12 noon, with all qualifying to be completed by 5:30 p.m. Finals will start at 6 p.m. Dixon portable courts will be used. Entry fee will be \$2.50. 1967 NHPA cards will be available to those who want them. All those planning to attend, are asked to write to the Iowa Hawkeye state association secretary, Mrs. Lucille Hopkins, 124 South Cherry Street, Ottumwa, Iowa 52501.

In Memoriam

*Soft and safe be the resting place
Of our dear and faithful friend.
Bright and glorious his resurrection
While we mourn his loss,
Let us cherish his memory
And commit his spirit to the
All-wise and merciful God.*

The sudden death of Roy McClure, of Rte. 3, Van Wert, Ohio, who suffered a heart attack on February 3, 1967 while pitching at the Traylor Park courts, Bradenton, Florida, comes as a shock to the members of The Ohio Association, and to his many NHPA friends. Approaching age 75, Roy was a quite, even tempered gentleman, and while not a top-fight pitcher, his presence and demeanor, on and off the courts, was the essence of good conduct and sportsmanship. Funeral services were conducted at Van Wert, Ohio on February 7th.

Roy became aware of his condition in 1965 and did not participate in tournaments during 1966, however, with Mrs. McClure, did attend The National tournament last year at Murray, Utah, with Mr. & Mrs. Leo Mc Grath, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

The members of the Ohio Buckeye State Association, pay tribute to the memory of Roy McClure, and extend their sincere sympathy to the members of his family, together with that of the National Horseshoe Pitchers' Association and the staff of the News Digest, in their hour of bereavement.

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Richard "Red" Davis, a familiar figure at all Indiana tournaments and the horseshoe courts in his home town of Kokomo, died suddenly of a heart attack. "Red" helped in the construction of the 18 court layout in Highland Park, Kokomo and was active in horseshoe events both in Kokomo and around the state. His absence in the future will be keenly felt by all who knew him. The NHPA, the Indiana Association and the Kokomo Club extends its sympathy to the Davis family.

Fitchburg, Mass. Legion Post Installs Indoor Courts

The American Legion Post No. 429 of Fitchburg, Massachusetts, has the only indoor clay courts for Horseshoe pitching in the Central Mass. area. This winter teams from Lowell Chelmsford, Gardner, Orange, Athol and Keene, New Hampshire have enjoyed the Fitchburg courts and all agree there is nothing like playing a game of horseshoes with the temperature at seventy degrees inside and zero and two feet of snow outside.

This all came about with the hardwork and foresight of Andy and Ernie Mathieu. They got the members of the Post together who like the game and formed a work detail under the direction of Bedford Kaddy, also a Legion member and President of the Twin County Horseshoe League. Kaddy was made chairman of the Horseshoe committee and made contacts with the area teams for matches and tournaments during the winter.

This winter every night the Post No. 429 was a popular place for all area players. The Legion also entered two teams in the Twin County League and was a runner-up for the championship. These courts and horseshoe playing in the Fitchburg area has put the game on a must list for the other clubs and we expect next winter more clubs will have indoor courts.

NHPA Secretary Bob Pence Looks Back At 1966

Except for the never ending desk work, writing and answering letters and routine office duties, the season actually got underway with an appearance on the Mike Douglas TV show in Philadelphia. Flew there with Sue Gillespie, and were joined by Elmer Hohl from Canada. The appearance was a most difficult one for both Sue and Elmer, but we enjoyed it. It was aired over 87 stations from coast to coast, and in Canada.

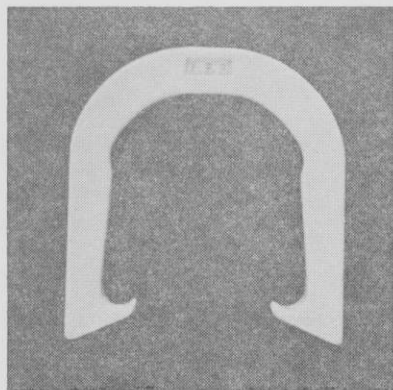
Next came the annual Indiana State meeting at Lebanon . . . a great turnout and delicious food. That Indiana list of activities is a heavy one, and something needs to be done to cut it down to a size.

First actual tournament . . . the Indiana-Illinois Open at Cayuga . . . 12 new courts, excellent turnout and the Karl Van Sants were wonderful hosts . . . Didn't throw enough ringers to do anygood, however.

Next came a trip to Michigan and the Dimondale Open over the Memorial Day week end. A wonderful court setup but they sure had lousy weather. Clark Steinfeldt was a surprise visitor. Pat Smith, publicity director for Michigan State Association, was my host and a most gracious one.

A new early season tourney at Avilla, Ind. . . the park hadn't been opened officially, and the mosquitos were still in charge! . . . tourney after tourney every week end at Richmond, Anderson, Muncie . . . enjoyed them all . . . Anderson club did a wonderful job as hosts and their preparation made tourney administration a rocking chair job . . . hats off to their club prexy, Jasper Pine.

Highlight of the season — a four day trip over the 4th of July to Fargo to look over prospects for 1967 World Tournament . . . a hot and very busy week end . . . the Red River Valley club, a well organized group . . . a beautiful, grassy and shady park with excellent courts . . . one meeting after



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another with park departments, civic clubs, city officials and countless radio and TV appearances . . . an enjoyable 25 mile trip to Kindred, where the club in a city of 800 has 14 wonderful courts in a wooded conservation club park.

A month's vacation trip west to the World Tourney in Utah . . . stopped off in Colorado Springs for two days with the Earle Wilmore family from Gary and Eino Tiilikainen's family of Colorado Springs . . . Tilly and his wife were perfect hosts . . . lots of sightseeing . . . Pike's Peak, Royal Gorge, Cripple Creek etc.

Ten days in Murray at the World Tourney . . . busier than usual with the absence of NHPA Prexy Harold Craig and other officers due to airline strike . . . lots of old friends on hand and a multitude of new ones . . . first time I ever saw rain in Utah . . . those five bids for the 1967 World Tourney at the annual meeting! . . . how things change! New champions in every division.

On to California and a visit with my two daughters for the first time in more than a year . . . Judy had just returned from 18 months in South America . . . visited the picturesque horseshoe courts in 'Frisco's Golden Gate Park . . . attended tourney and meeting of Northern Calif. Assoc. at Mosswood Park in Oakland . . . old friends, Ole Hansen and others on hand . . . the nicest horseshoe club house anywhere . . . the trip back home . . . met people in California, Nevada, Utah and Wyoming who had seen World Tourney on TV.

Back home to find two bushel baskets full of accumulated horseshoe mail . . . will I ever catch up? The Indiana Family Day week end at the Anderson Horseshoe Club . . . an unusual event . . . the big Indiana State tourney at Muncie with 146 entries.

Ended the active season by attending the Clyde Green Memorial tourney at the new Winchester club . . . honored but sad to present plaque to Mrs. Green in honor of her late husband, and a grand old man of horseshoe, Clyde Green.

NHPA On The Move In Manitoba

The NHPA is making excellent headway in the Canadian Province of Manitoba where three prominent players and boosters of the game are now enrolled as official NHPA representatives in an effort to form another chapter north of the border.

There are some fine horseshoe players in Manitoba and a number of tourneys are held each year in Winnipeg, Dauphin, Brandon and other locations.

A. W. Smith of Birch River was the first to be enrolled as an NHPA representative in the Province. Located in the northern section he will push the NHPA in that area.

Bert Snart, another top player in Manitoba and a member of the region's biggest horseshoe club at Dauphin, will represent the NHPA in Central Manitoba. He was on the cover of the Feb. issue of the Digest.

Southern Manitoba will be taken care of by Gordon Payne of Winnipeg. All three have been connected with the game in Manitoba for many years and expect quite a few players from the province to enter the World Tourney at Fargo next August.

Waldo Hagy "Down Under"

Waldo Hagy, veteran horseshoe player and NHPA member from Nevada is now a world traveler and the last we heard from him he was "down under" in New Zealand and Australia.

Waldo went on a two months trip in January which carried him to Tahiti, the Fiji Islands, Samoa, New Zealand, Australia and Hawaii.

Earl Davis Working On New Idea For Northern Calif. Association

Due to the constant rains in the area, there has not been too much activity as yet, but should get underway soon. The Northern association has signed up 56 members in the NHPA with over half of them subscribing to the News Digest. 1967 looks like a very good year for the Northern association.

We have been experimenting with a new approach to horseshoe pitching. Earl Davis has been working with those of the weaker sex in the fine art of tossing ringers and has made a lot of progress to the point where he now has them averaging about 40 percent. He also has in mind an idea that will (shall we say) add a Las Vegas touch to the court scene?

If all goes well, he hopes to have them in real shape for next season. It might be well to make regular attendance at the functions of the Northern association a habit, so that you do not miss anything in the way of new attractions.

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Tournament Dates: April 8-9, 1967, April 15-16, 1967, April 22-23, 1967. Top Class to play April 15-16, 1967.

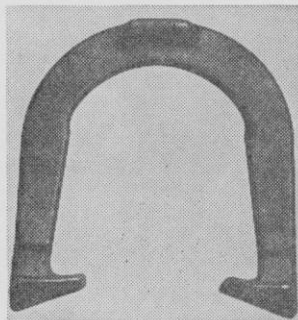
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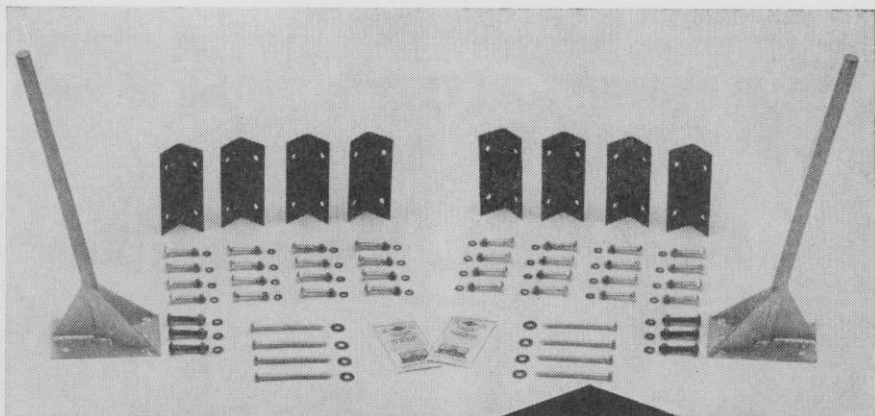
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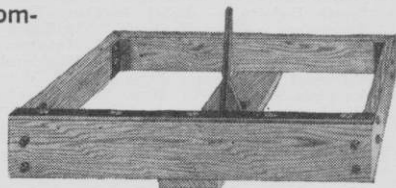
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