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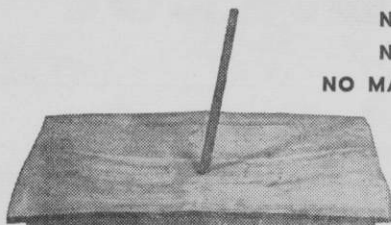
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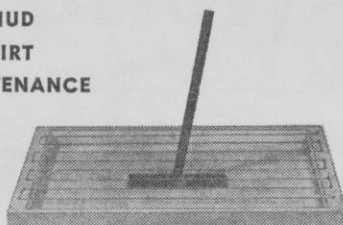
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Annual Greenville Open Tournament, June 1 & 2, 1968

The annual Greenville Open will be held at the City Park Courts, Greenville, Ohio, on June 1 and 2, 1968. Entrants may qualify from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday, May 31 and from 8 a.m. to 12:00 noon on Saturday, —June 1. All entrants must be registered in by 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 1. The entry fee will be \$5.00. Tentative plans are that the lower classes will pitch on Saturday afternoon and evening and the higher classes on Sunday, June 2. This tournament will be sponsored and conducted by the Darke County Horseshoe Club.

Spring Ringer Tourney, Circleville, Ohio, May 23-24-25

The Pickaway County Club of Circleville, Ohio will stage a Spring Ringer Tournament on their courts in that city, 319 So. Washington St., Circleville, Ohio on the weekend of May 23-24-25.

Qualifying dates are May 16-17-18. Tournament will start May 23 thru May 25. There will be six classes with 6 men in each class. Playing 50 point cancellation games.

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Kuchcinski Winner At North Dakota Show

Danny Kuchcinski of Erie, Pa., won six of seven games to capture the second annual North Dakota Winter Show horseshoe tournament championship March 9, Valley City, North Dakota.

Danny's only loss came at the hands of the only other lefthander in Class A, Leigh Dunker of Warner, S. D., 52-31. Dunker finished third behind Frank Stinson of Minneapolis.

Both Dunker and Stinson posted 5-2 records, but the Minnesota champ notched a higher ringer percentage.

Andy Paglarini of Hibbing, Minn., was fourth followed by Harvey Peterson of Havana, N. D.

Kuchcinski, who won the 1967 World Tournament at Fargo, amazed a crowd of 3,500 spectators with his ringer accuracy. He pitched 70 per cent ringers for the day on a sand-clay mixture courts.

Gene Lykken of Kindred won Class B with a 7-1 record, dropping his final game to Lee Sharff of Jamestown. Wally Rislov of Cooperstown also was 7-1.

Henry Filzen of Minneapolis won Class C followed by Merlin Enderson of Aberdeen and Ed Thorstad of Buffalo, S. D. Stan Johnson of Ladner, S. D., won Class D followed by Helmer Jallen of Fargo and Erling Erickson of Moorhead.

Canadian Association Elects Officers

At the annual meeting of the Canadian National Horseshoe Pitchers' Association held in Wellesley, Ontario on November 23, 1967, the following officers were elected. George Schummer of Toronto was re-elected president; Elmer Hohl of Wellesley, Ontario was elected vice-president; Ross Stevenson of Baden, Ontario was elected secretary and Calvin Honderick will be the treasurer. Executive members as follows: Dean McLaughlin, Harold Leis, Logan Cruise, Russell Martin and Bud Prange. It was decided that the same Executive Committee would serve for both the Canadian National and also for the Ontario Associations.

Greenville Ringer Classic — July 4-5-6-7, 1968

The annual Greenville Ringer Classic will be held at the City Park Courts in Greenville, Ohio, from July 4 thru July 7. The tournament will be sponsored by the Darke County Horseshoe Club and the City Park Commission and will be sanctioned and conducted by the Ohio Buckeye Association.

All entrants for the Men's Division must qualify by pitching 100 shoes. Qualifying times will be from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on July 4, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on July 5 and from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 6. All entrants must be registered in by 11:30 a.m. on Saturday. The entry fee will be \$6.00 with those who qualify for Class A paying an additional \$5.00.

There will be a Ladies Tournament and a Junior Tournament on Thursday, July 4. All entrants for these tournaments must be registered by 1:00 p.m. on July 4. There will be an entry fee of \$4.00 for women but none for the juniors. No qualifications.

Les Long Top Winner In 1968 Strawberry Festival Tournament — Plant City, Florida

CLASS A				CLASS B			
	W	L	%		W	L	%
L. Long, Illinois	6	1	60.9	M. Richmond, Minnesota ..	6	1	51.5
J. Rademacher, Florida	5	2	57.1	R. Whittemore, Maine	6	1	40.1
G. Rademacher, Florida	4	3	57.6	J. Ellis, Florida	5	2	42.7
H. McCoskey, Indiana	4	3	52.5	H. Spiess, Florida	4	3	40.3
A. L. Austin, Illinois	3	4	53.3	A. Hodgman, Michigan	3	3	37.7
J. Clingan, Florida	3	4	52.0	R. Hitchcock, Ohio	2	5	39.2
H. Tuttle, Ohio	3	4	51.7	H. Garman, Indiana	1	6	38.4
A. Clingan, Florida	0	7	40.1	W. Hagy, Nevada	0	7	28.6

CLASS C — Les Peary, Bradenton, Fla., 4-1-46.9; William Figy, Wauseon, Ohio, 4-1-47.0; Frank Sumpter, Martinsville, Ohio, 3-2-47.3; Roy Gravink, Mayville, N. Y., 2-3-43.3; Joe Hightower, Clochester, Ill., 2-3-42.0; Harvey Johnson, Rockford, Ill., 0-5-29.4.

CLASS D — Levi Miller, Sarasota, Fla., 5-0-41.0; Horace Kemp, Bradenton, Fla., 4-1-33.2; John Taylor, Kindred, N. D., 3-2-33.1; Otto Autrey, Michigan, 2-3-31.8; Joe Thonert, Zephyrhills, Fla., 1-4-30.7; Earl Johnson, Indiana, 0-5-23.5.

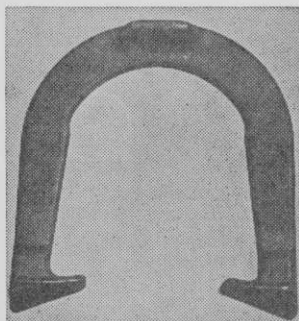
CLASS E — Opal Corbett, New Castle, Pa., 5-0-28.0; C. D. Rogers, Michigan, 4-1-27.0; Geo. Kuhn, Pittsburgh, Pa., 3-2-25.6; Keith Davidson, Michigan, 2-3-26.4; Harvey Hookway, Bradenton, Fla., 1-4-22.9; Frank Statzer, Plant City, Fla., 0-5-17.5.

CLASS F — George Hale, Jamestown, N. Y., 7-0-42.8; A. L. Figy, Wauseon, Ohio, 6-1-31.4; Ted Corbett, New Castle, Pa., 5-2-25.4; Ralph Crawford, Columbus Jct. Iowa, 4-3-21.5; Carl Baumgardner, Ohio, 3-4-17.7; Dewey Toney, Plant City, Fla., 1-6-17.1; Barclay Webster, Orlando, 1-6-16.1; Harold Cook, Seminole, Fla., 1-6-14.2.

JUNIORS — Frankie Statzer, 5-0; Hayward Cothron, 4-1; Wayne Warner, 3-2; Steve Warner, 2-3; Johnnie Rademacher, 1-4; Charles Roundtree, 0-5. All Juniors were from Plant City, Florida.

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Dan Kuchcinski's Winter Tour Report

By Will Gullickson

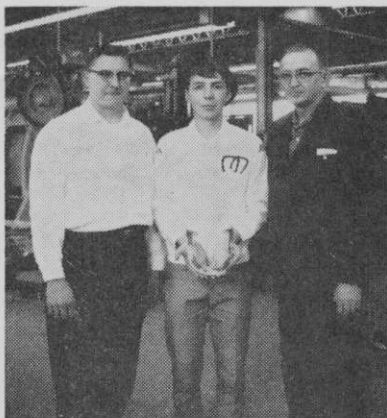
(En route with Dan Kuchcinski, 1967 World Horseshoe Champ)

The Kid with a world of poise and pride for the game of horseshoe pitching — 18-year-old Dan Kuchcinski — appeared before more than 12,000 spectators on the first leg of his wide-spanning winter tour.

A model teen-ager with extremely excellent manners on and off horseshoe court, the 1967 World Tournament Champion from Erie, Pa., is raising the game's popularity by leaps and bounds.

The 12-day tour starting in Chicago Feb. 22 and winding up in St. Paul March 4 was a sparkling success as Danny thrilled his viewers with a dazzling display of trick shots along with incredible ringer accuracy.

A round of television, radio and press interviews gave Danny a whirlwind start in Chicago. In charge of the arrangements for the first exhibition were Ralph Dykes and Jack Stout, who put their shoulders to what turned out to be a super start. More than 200 packed the Garfield Park indoor courts to watch Danny perform. Stout presented Danny with an engraved and valued silver horseshoe, regulation size.



Jack Stout, left, supervisor at the Ace Metal Craft Company of Melrose Park, Illinois is shown with Danny Kuchcinski, World Champion and Ralph Dykes, NHPA President. Danny is holding the beautiful stainless steel horseshoe that was presented to him at the Chicago Garfield Park exhibition. The horseshoe, beautifully inscribed for the occasion was fabricated thru the efforts of Jack Stout and his associates at Ace Metal Craft.

Thrilled with his first taste of the big city, Danny was interviewed by such famous sports columnists as Dave Condon of the Chicago Tribune and Bill Gleason of the Sun-Times. Gleason's column appeared two days before Danny's exhibition and gave wide acclaim to his feats as well as the sport.

Sig Sakowicz, well-known radio personality, interviewed Danny over WMAQ and later in the evening took the champ to dinner and a show.

Kuchcinski was also interviewed by Patty Parker, the Dodge Fever girl, over a Chicago television station. This took place on Jack Eigen's show, which spans over 35 states.

Danny was interviewed on two radio stations also, one which took place in Jimmy Wong's Restaurant. He pitched some ringers outside the studio for Wendell Smith's WGN television show.

Danny went by air to Fargo, N. D., returning to the scene of his 1967 World Tournament accomplishment to be greeted by another flurry of engagements.

During the Fargo-Moorhead stay, Danny appeared at six colleges, high schools and junior high schools, displaying his skill with trick shots.

The trick shots, which he developed while at Bradenton, Fla., earlier in the winter, keep the audience in constant suspense. They are climaxed by his

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pitching a ringer while a person holds his chin on the stake. Other favorites are pitching ringers over a blanket and while a person straddles the stake.

Wayne Lubenow, popular columnist of The Forum, Fargo-Moorhead, placed his chin on the stake for the exhibition at Moorhead Central Junior High. He devoted his entire column to the experience and lauded the cool champ for his feats.

While appearing at Moorhead State College, Rick Stuyvesant, another Pennsylvanian, helped with the exhibition. At Dilworth a cheerleader placed her foot on the stake while wearing a short skirt, but the situation failed to hinder Danny's accuracy.

Kindred, long-time hotbed of horseshoe pitchers, welcomed Danny at the high school with more than 300 students cheering wildly following each ringer pitched.

Wally Rislov, former North Dakota state champ, arranged for Danny to pitch immediately following a basketball tournament game at Cooperstown. Rislov got into the act by placing his chin on the stake.

One girl at one of the exhibitions asked if Danny could pitch a ringer while not wearing his hat, which became a trademark of the champ at the tourney and on the tour. Danny promptly went out and fired a ringer.

Next came a 600-mile flight to Billings, Mont., where E. O. (Red) Roland, long-time horseshoe pitcher and booster, arranged for an exhibition at the YMCA. More than 300 turned out and Danny was his usual self while pitching ringers.



TOUR PICTURE . . . Dan Kuchcinski, 1967 World Horseshoe Tournament champion, visits with Mayor Willard E. Fraser in the Billings, Mont., city hall during his visit there in February. The jacket Kuchcinski is wearing was presented to him by Herbert Shellenberger, president of the Billings Horseshoe Association. Kuchcinski's appearance at the Billings YMCA drew 300 spectators and was arranged by E. O. (Red) Roland, long-time pitcher and booster of the game. Roland is a former North Dakota state champion. The Billings visit was one of the highlights of Kuchcinski's winter tour.

Arrival at Billings offered some anxious moments, however, as the Dixon portable courts had been forgotten in Fargo. They were shipped out on the next flight in time for the exhibition.

Herbert Shellenberger presented a beautiful red, white and blue jacket with the 1967 World Champ encircled in the front. Morris Wold and Don Rutt helped Roland with the arrangements at Billings. They arranged for interviews by press, radio and television.

Ira Jensen of the Montana State Ass'n., pitched in \$25 for the Billings appearance.

Next it was back to Fargo-Moorhead to prepare for the North Dakota Winter Show Tournament at Valley City.

Irv Koslofsky, winter show manager, invited Danny to pitch his exhibition the night before the tournament as well as the day of the tourney.

More than 5,000 watched Kuchcinski perform before the rodeo March 1. A turnout of 3,500 watched Danny capture the Class A title in the largest field of pitchers ever assembled for the event.

Kuchcinski's only loss came to another lefthander, Leigh Dunker of Warner, S. D., a 19-time state champ. Danny met many of the people who had watched him win the World Tournament.

Danny received a traveling trophy as well as a cash prize at Valley City. The trophy is donated by Allard Trophy Co., of Valley City.

The Red River Valley League of Fargo-Moorhead presented the champ with a leather notebook.

Kuchcinski's schedule the next two days provided a fast stepping and fitting windup.

He traveled to Hibbing, Minn., and appeared at the Moose Lodge before 70 people. A 30-point exhibition game was pitched against Andy Paglarini before the trick shot exhibition in which Harry Benson placed his chin on the stake.

Among those at the Hibbing exhibition was Arnold Maki, former World Tournament player and a former trick shot artist. Also on hand were Leo LaBrosse and his three horseshoe pitching sons who have entered the World Tournament several times.

Kuchcinski and the writer went on to Duluth on March 4 where it was arranged to meet with officials of the Diamond Horseshoe Co., the largest manufacturers of horseshoes.

George Clarke, sales manager for the company, gave Danny a tour of the plant and the champ actually saw horseshoes made for the first time in his life. Diamond officials presented Danny with several gifts, including a silver horseshoe, tie tack, wrench and paperweight.

It was decided to have Danny give his exhibition in the company parking lot since the weather warmed to 40 degrees at noon. Danny pitched the Diamond shoes with excellent marksmanship during the exhibition which was watched by most of the company's 500 employees. Some of them watched from atop the company building, others lined the exhibition court and others watched from windows.

Hots Anderson of Duluth, a prime leader of the sport, helped Danny during the trick exhibition.

Among those impressed with Danny's performance was the company's president, John Sahlstrom. Diamond officials said they would participate in

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the sponsoring of Danny during the upcoming tour schedule.

Danny went by air to St. Paul where John Yernberg arranged a big night at the Moose Lodge. Kuchcinski pitched exhibition games with Frank Stinson, Minnesota champ, and Joe Anzaldi of St. Paul.

The turnout at St. Paul was another capacity crowd which enjoyed Danny's performance right to the last ringer. Yernberg and Frank Schneider arranged for a television interview by Dan Allen of KSTP-TV.

Danny flew home to Erie, Pa., the next day, a happy young man who had thrilled thousands.

Meanwhile exhibition appearances are being scheduled from now until September. Those interested are asked to write Will Gullickson, 1608 17th St. S., Moorhead, Minn.

Van Buren Club (Penna.) To Sponsor 3 Tournaments

The seventh annual Spring Warm-up Tournament, under the sponsorship of the Van Buren Men's Club, will be held at the Van Buren courts in Vanport, Pa. on May 25 and 26. This tournament is a sanctioned event and open to any NHPA member.

There is no qualifying. Send your highest ringer percentage of any sanctioned tournament of 1967 or 1968 except the Spring Warm-up Tournament. State the tournament you are using and the month it appeared in the Digest.

The field will consist of eight classes of six men each comprising a total of forty-eight contestants. Classes A, B, C, and D will pitch on Sunday, May 26, 1968 and classes E, F, G, and H will pitch on Saturday, May 25, 1968. The entry fee will be \$3.00 and will be returned if a player fails to class in the tournament. Trophies will be awarded to the winner and runner-up in each class. The entry deadline is May 14, 1968. Send your entry fee and ringer percentage to David Charron, 79 A St., Van Buren Homes, Beaver, Pa. 15009.

The Beaver County Tournament will be held on July 20 and 21, 1968. This is not a sanctioned tournament and is reserved for Beaver County pitchers.

There is no qualifying. Class A, which will consist of twelve men and have trophies for the first three places, will have six games pitched on Saturday, July 20 and five games pitched on Sunday, July 21. All other classes will have six men in a class.

Send your \$3.00 entry fee to David Charron, by July 10, 1968.

The Van Buren Open Tournament will be held on August 10 and 11, 1968, and is a sanctioned tournament. The deadline to enter is August 1, 1968.

The tournament will be run the same as the Spring Warm-up Tournament except that the entrants must use their highest ringer percentage of a 1968 tournament. The classes will be set up the same as Spring Warm-up. Send the entry fee of \$3.00 to David Charron, 79 "A" Street, Van Buren Homes, Beaver, Pennsylvania 15009.

Oil Capital Open Set For May 18-19 — Tulsa, Okla.

The Tulsa Club announces, "The Oil Capital open", to be held in Tulsa, Oklahoma. At Central Park, 6th & Peoria. On, May 18 & 19, 1968. Our plans are for 3 classes, A, B, & C.

Class C. will start Saturday at 9 A.M. Class B. at 2 P.M. Class A. action will start at 1 P.M. Sunday. Defending champion will be David Baker of Mo. He won in 1966 & repeated in 1967. Prospects show this tournament will probably attract more higher percentage players than has ever played in the Oklahoma area.

Entry fee of \$2.00 must be received by the tournament director, Willis Bettis 16 N. 35th W. Ave. Tulsa, Oklahoma 74127. By May 10, 1968. Rain date, the following weekend.

Itinerary For Dan Kuchcinski, World Horseshoe Pitching Champion — Spring Tour, 1968

Danny appeared at the DeSoto Celebration on March 19, in Bradenton, Florida.

Other appearances on his spring tour included the Minnesota State High School Coaches Association meeting at Minneapolis on March 23. Hillcrest Lutheran High School, Fergus Falls, Minnesota, March 25. Ulen, Minnesota High School and Glyndon, Minnesota High School on March 26. Moorhead South Junior High School, Moorhead, Minnesota, March 27.

He also appeared at the Red River Valley Sports, Boat and Travel Exposition on March 28 thru March 31, in Fargo, North Dakota.

On April 2 at Hubbardton, North Dakota, followed by a 4-day exhibition at the Sioux Falls Sports Show at Sioux Falls, South Dakota April 2 thru April 7.

April 8-14 — Fargo-Moorhead Area appearance to be scheduled

April 15-21 — Duluth, Minn., and Wisconsin Area appearances to be scheduled

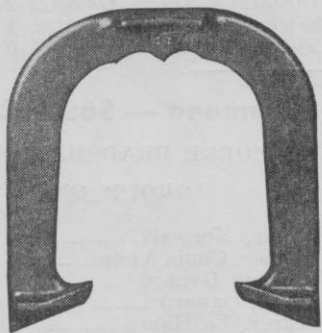
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CLASS 'B' OPEN

GROUP ONE

	W	L	%
Backer, Los Angeles	4	1	58.3
Paul, Covina	4	1	56.6
Knorp, Goleta	3	2	54.2
Moefield, Long Beach	3	2	53.6
Berg, Pasadena	1	4	48.7
Sims, Long Beach	0	5	47.7

GROUP TWO

	W	L	%
Cummins, Orcutt	5	0	63.2
Puopulo, Baldwin Park	4	1	51.9
Morse, Beaumont	3	2	61.2
Shubert, Los Angeles	2	3	49.3
Pearey, La Habra	1	4	57.1
Shipley, Alhambra	0	5	37.3

PLAYOFF

	W	L	%
Puopulo, Baldwin Park	3	0	58.8
Cummins, Orcutt	2	1	58.8
Paul, Covina	1	2	52.7
Backer, Los Angeles	0	3	52.8

CLASS 'E' OPEN

GROUP ONE

	W	L	%
Erickson, Valinda	5	0	36.6
Mahlstedt, Thous. Oaks	4	1	39.0
Carrier, Downey	3	2	29.5
Tarbell, Brea	2	3	34.3
Mapes, Fullerton	1	4	31.2
Powe, Paramount	0	5	27.9

GROUP TWO

	W	L	%
Victor, Huntington Pk.	4	1	37.2
Hart, Santa Maria	3	2	34.7
Erickson, Downey	2	3	39.7
Poyner, Salvang	2	3	40.0
Barra, Santa Barbara	1	4	34.7

PLAYOFF

	W	L	%
Mahlstedt, Thous. Oak	3	0	43.0
DiStefano, Thous. Oaks	2	1	41.0
Erickson, Valinda	1	2	33.6
Victor, Huntington Pk.	0	3	13.8

South Gate — South. Calif.

LONG BEACH 'D' OPEN

GROUP ONE

	W	L	%
Erickson, Valinda	5	0	41.6
Stayner, San Deigo	4	1	42.6
Mahlstedt, Thous. Oaks	3	2	38.7
St. Thomas, Bell Gardens..	2	3	40.0
Slagg, Ontario	1	4	38.4
Carrier, Downey	0	5	29.2

GROUP TWO

	W	L	%
Bailey, Glendora	4	1	40.5
Shipley, Alhambra	4	1	40.5
Faulkner, Fullerton	4	1	37.7
Weis, W. Covina	2	3	38.1
Erickson, Downey	1	4	36.0
Tarbell, Brea	0	5	27.5

PLAYOFF

	W	L	%
Shipley, Alhambra	3	0	41.4
Bailey, Glendora	2	1	39.7
Erickson, Valinda	1	2	39.3
Stayner, San Diego	0	3	31.5

Pomona — South Calif.

GEORGE BRADSHAW OPEN

GROUP ONE

	W	L	%
Weeks, Norwalk	5	0	74.6
Walker, Chula Vista	3	2	68.7
Dawsey, Oxnard	3	2	65.0
Rusch, Oxnard	3	2	60.8
Pearey, La Habra	1	4	53.6
Paul, Covina	0	5	50.6

GROUP TWO

	W	L	%
Schneider, Pico Rivera	5	0	67.7
Snyder, Chula Vista	4	1	68.8
McFarland, Sepulveda	3	2	65.0
Simmons, South Gate	2	3	61.7
Slagg, Ontario	1	4	46.2
Moefield, Long Beach	0	5	42.9

PLAYOFF

	W	L	%
Walker, Chula Vista	3	1	71.7
Weeks, Norwalk	2	2	76.6
Snyder, Chula Vista	1	2	69.0
Schneider, Pico Rivera	1	2	65.3

Tournament Schedule For Indiana State Association

MAY 12; ROSEBUD OPEN at Fairview Park, Anderson, Ind., Deadline for entries, Monday, May 6. Entry fee \$3.25.

MAY 18-19; SPRING OPEN at New Albany, Ind., Putnam County Community Park. Deadline for entries, Monday, May 13. Entry fee \$3.25.

MAY 25-26; INDIANA-ILLINOIS OPEN at Fairgrounds, Cayuga, Ind. Deadline for entries, Monday, May 20. Entry fee \$3.25.

JUNE 1-2; JOE SCHILLING MEMORIAL OPEN at Kingma Courts, Lafayette, Ind. Deadline for entries, Monday, May 27. Entry fee \$3.25.

JUNE 8-9; NORTHWEST INDIANA OPEN at High School Courts, Kouts, Ind. Deadline for entries, Monday, June 3. Entry fee \$3.25.

JUNE 8-9; INDIANAPOLIS OPEN at Garfield Park, Indianapolis, Ind. Deadline for entries, Monday, June 3. Entry fee \$3.25.

JUNE 15-16; WESTERN INDIANA OPEN at Dorner Park, Frankfort, Ind. Deadline for entries, Monday, June 10. Entry fee \$3.25.

JUNE 22-23; CENTRAL INDIANA at Fairview Park, Anderson, Ind. Deadline for entries, Monday, June 17. Entry fee \$3.00. Indiana players only.

JUNE 29-30; NORTHEAST INDIANA at City Park, Avilla, Ind. Deadline for entries, Monday, June 24. Entry fee \$3.00.

JUNE 29-30; IBM OPEN at I.B.M. Courts, Greencastle, Ind. Deadline for entries, Monday, June 24. Entry fee \$3.25.

JULY 4; BOONE COUNTY OPEN at 4-H Fairgrounds, Lebanon, Ind. Deadline for entries, Thursday, June 27. Entry fee \$3.25. SEND ENTRIES TO Walt Wilhoite, 120 No. Allen Dr., Lebanon, Ind. 46052.

JULY 13-14; NORTHERN INDIANA at City Park, Wabash, Ind. Deadline for entries, Monday, July 8. Entry fee \$3.00. For Indiana players north of State Road 26 only.

JULY 13-14; CLYDE GREEN MEMORIAL OPEN at Goodrich Park, Winchester, Ind. Deadline for entries, Monday, July 8. Entry fee \$5.25. CASH PRIZES.

JULY 20-21; MIDWEST "RINGER ROUND UP" at Heekin Park, Muncie, Ind. Deadline for entries, Monday, July 15. Entry fee \$5.25. CASH PRIZES.

JULY 26 through AUGUST 6; WORLD TOURNAMENT at Keene, New Hampshire.

AUGUST 10-11; HIGHLAND PARK OPEN at Highland Park, Kokomo, Ind. Deadline for entries, Friday, August 2. Entry fee \$3.25. SEND ENTRIES TO Hazel Shuck, Rte. 1, Sharpville, Ind. 46068.

AUGUST 17-18; SOUTHERN INDIANA at Fairgrounds, Franklin, Ind. Deadline for entries, Monday, August 12. Entry fee \$3.00. OPEN TO ALL INDIANA PLAYERS ONLY.

AUGUST 24-25; INDIANA FAMILY DAY; Site and details to be announced later.

AUG. 31, SEPT. 1-2; INDIANA STATE TOURNAMENT at Fairview Park, Anderson. Deadline for entries, Monday, August 26. Entry fee \$5.00.

SEPT. 14-15; INDIANA-OHIO OPEN at Heekin Park, Muncie, Ind. Deadline for entries, Monday, Sept. 9. Entry fee \$5.25. CASH PRIZES.

SEPT. 21-22; AUTUMN OPEN at New Albany, Ind. Putnam County Community Park. Deadline for entries, Monday, Sept. 16. Entry fee \$3.25.

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SEND ALL ENTRIES TO Earle Wilmore, 1350 Dearborn St., Gary, Ind. 46403 (phone 938-3431, area code 219) unless otherwise noted in above schedule. Entries must be in by deadline time.

PLAYERS WILL BE classed on the basis of previous performances and notified of their playing time by mail. New players without record and those who feel their past record is too low may send in a 100 shoe qualifying score to be used as a basis for placing them in a class.

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Here's What They Say!

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CHICAGO SUN-TIMES, Fri., Feb. 23, 1968

Clink! Clank!

Danny Pitches Another Ringer

By BILL GLEASON

Clink! Clank! Clanggg! That ringing sound which will echo across the hills, valleys and footpaths of Garfield Park Sunday afternoon will be caused by Danny Kuchcinski, the most popular ringer in modern sports.

Back home in Erie, Pa., 18-year-old Danny is highly regarded for his athletic versatility. During three seasons in high school baseball, this 140-pound, 5-9 wraith struck out only once, which won't come as any surprise to those of you who journey to Garfield Park at 2 p.m. to watch him do his thing.

When he's not playing baseball or basketball, Kuchcinski pitches horseshoes. He pitches so well he now reigns as the youngest horseshoe hurling champion in modern history.

If you've ever been around horseshoe courts, you tend to think of the competitors as old gaffers of 40 and upward, too old to do almost anything else except ruminate. That's why Danny is generating so much new interest in what has to be one of the world's oldest pastimes. He is young; he is good looking; and he is astonishingly skillful.

"This boy threw 84.4 per cent ringers to win the world championship at Fargo, N.D. last August," said Will Gullickson, assistant sports editor of the Forum of Fargo-Moorhead. "He won 34 of 35 matches and had a run of 32 straight victories before Elmer Hohl, a former champion, won a game from him.

"In addition to being the youngest champion in memory, Danny is one of the few great lefthanded pitchers."

Horseshoe pitching has been referred to disdainfully as "barnyard golf" but Gullickson, who is a topflight competitor himself, argues that throwing those ringers demands far more concentration and exerts much more pressure than golf does.

"Let's say that Danny is pitching against Curt Day, who was runnerup in the world tournament," Gullickson supposed. "Danny pitches two ringers and Curt comes right back to top him. That round then won't count. It's just wiped out. You can see why matches between great players can be marathons."

THE FORUM

Thursday, February 29, 1968

Fargo — Moorhead 13

Danny Great;

But I'm Not

His Father

By Wayne Lubenow

All the young people at Moorhead's Central Junior High school screaming in great glee as I put my chin on the stake.

You could hear young voices shouting, "Yeah, cut him up."

And then I started to think: Here I am at the junior high school and I am on my knees and I had my chin over an iron stake and some young 18-year-old from Pennsylvania was going to toss 2½ pounds of iron at me.

How do I get into these things? I asked myself.

Never mind, keep the chin on the stake and hope that kid knows what he's doing.

The 2½ pounds of iron, a horseshoe, came flying through the air. I couldn't see it. I was on my knees with my chin on a metal stake.

There was a horrible clatter, metal meeting metal. The kid missed. I didn't move. Too petrified. The next shot was on target — a ringer.

And when it was over I decided to talk to that boy I put all my trust in.

He's Danny Kuchcinski, a lanky 18-year-old kid who is the world's champion horseshoe pitcher.

That is small consolation when he is aiming at your chin.

It is even smaller consolation when you have never met Danny before and you get conned into coming to the junior high school and Danny is going to do some trick shots that you don't know about.

Big crowd. Promoter Will Gullickson of The Forum stands in front of a microphone and tells everybody how Danny is going to pitch horseshoes over a blanket and make ringers.

They get two kids from the crowd to hold the blanket over the box and Danny proceeds to miss six horseshoes in a row.

He's a little excited because, apparently, he never missed that much before.

Well, Danny had the two junior high kids move back about six inches and then tossed on two ringers over the blanket.

And then Gullickson got on the microphone and announced me and said I would straddle the box while Danny tossed on ringers from 40 feet away.

Danny tosses two ringers on and then they announce that I will put my chin on the horseshoe stake.

I was okay, no qualms, until Danny sauntered over and said, "Don't worry. I hit 85 per cent ringers."

That, I said, is outstanding — but what happens on the other 15 per cent and how come you blew the bit with the blanket?

Well, Dan said, I can usually tell when I throw a bad shoe and if I do, I will holler and it will give you enough time to get out of the way.

So I kneel down and put my chin on the stake and the junior high school crowd is screaming for blood and then I hear this clank and I look down and Dan has missed.

But he put the next one on and I didn't even see it and right away I figure Dan is the best horseshoe pitcher in the world because he didn't hurt me.

He is not only the world's champion horseshoe pitcher. He is as fine a lad as I ever hope to meet.

Knisley Winner of Greenville "Snowball Open"

Jim Knisley, Bremen, Ohio, pitched a composite 81.8% ringers on his way to winning the third annual "Snowball Open" tournament, conducted by the Darke County Horseshoe Club of Greenville, Ohio. This year's tourney, held on the Club's three indoor courts, attracted a record field of 69 entrants and was held on three successive weekends.

Knisley won all 5 of his games to regain the title he won in 1966. Stan Manker, defending champion, won but one game but had over 40 points in each of his losses. Dick Carpenter of Union City, Indiana, threw the top game of 92.1% in defeating Berdine Scholl of Greenville by 55-4.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
Knisley, Ohio	5	0	81.8
Anthony, Ohio	3	2	74.3
Carpenter, Ind.	3	2	72.7
Kabel, Ohio	3	2	71.7
Manker, Ohio	1	4	70.4
Scholl, Ohio	0	5	60.3

CLASS B

	W	L	%
Wright, Ind.	4	1	61.2
Thornburg, Ind.	3	2	60.9
Young, Ohio	3	2	60.6
Bryant, Ohio	3	2	60.4
Shores, Ind.	2	3	62.5
Pillion, Ohio	0	5	44.4

CLASS C — Sampson, Ind. 4-1, 56.2; LaPlant, Ind. 3-2, 51.6; Demaree, Ind. 3-2, 50.7; Haltom, Ind. 3-2, 47.5; Collins, Ohio 1-4, 52.8; Hollenbock, Ind. 1-4, 45.3.

CLASS D — R. Bennett, Ohio, 4-1, 68.0; Knotts, Ohio, 3-2, 60.9; Kugler, Ohio, 3-2, 57.9; R. Miller, Ohio, 3-2, 54.4; T. Harris, Ohio, 2-3, 45.8; Yount, Ohio, 0-5, 41.4.

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"Snowball Open" — Continued

CLASS E — Napier, Ohio, 4-1, 57.5; Chadwick, Ohio, 4-1, 58.6; Witschger, Ohio, 3-2, 59.5; Godfrey Ohio, 2-3, 41.9; H. May, Ohio, 1-4, 42.8; Fawley, Ohio, 1-4, 40.2.

CLASS F — Witter, Ohio, 4-1, 55.6; Fender, Ohio, 3-2, 52.8; Brickles, Ohio, 3-2, 50.7; Conley, Ind., 3-2, 50.3; Detrick, Ohio, 2-3, 50.3; Hannah, Ohio, 0-5, 36.7.

CLASS G — R. VanDach, Ohio, 5-0, 51.8; O. Reno, Ohio, 3-2, 42.7; Morrow, Ohio, 3-2, 41.8; McCullom, Ind., 2-3, 42.6; L. Anthony, Ohio, 2-3, 40.7; D. Peterson, Ohio, 0-5, 30.1.

CLASS H — Howell, Ind., 5-0, 46.9; McGreevey, Ohio, 4-1, 40.0; Gibbons, Ohio, 2-3, 34.6; Gillespie Ind. 2-3, 36.5; Latimore, Ind., 2-3, 21.6; Harrison, Ohio, Forfeit.

CLASS I — Futrell, Ohio, 3-0, 46.8; Fleenor, Ohio, 2-1, 46.4; Mitchell, Ohio, 1-2, 38.2; McEldowney Ohio, 0-3, 16.4.

CLASS J — Cool, Ohio, 4-1, 33.6; Bierly, Ohio, 4-1, 34.3; Wilson, Ohio, 3-2, 33.0; Park, Ohio, 3-2, 29.2; Hamilton, Ohio, 1-2, 28.3.

CLASS K — Beach, Ohio, 5-0, 40.4; Lockhart, Ohio, 4-1, 28.7; Ward, Ohio, 3-2, 28.8; Coffman, 2-3, 21.2; Cole, Ohio, 1-4, 25.8; Lambert, Ohio, 0-5, 20.4.

CLASS L — J. Bernard, Ohio, 4-1, 20.8%; H. Varvel, Ohio, 4-1, 21.3%; R. Peterson, Ohio, 3-2, 19.4%; Virgil Varvel, Ohio, 2-3, 22.1%; R. Melling, Ohio, 1-4, 12.5%; Vernon Varvel, Ohio, 1-4, 8.7%.

Indiana-Illinois and Joe Schilling Opens

The annual Indiana-Illinois Open will be held at the Fairgrounds in Cayuga, Ind., May 25-26 and the Joe Schilling Memorial Open will be held at Lafayette, Ind., June 1-2.

Both events will be conducted by the Indiana State Association and entries will be classed on the basis of previous records. A 100 shoe qualifying score may accompany entries without a previous record or those who consider their previous record too low.

Entry fee is \$3.25 in each tourney and entries should be sent to Indiana State Secretary Earle Wilmore, 1350 Dearborn Street, Gary, Ind. 46403 by mail or phone at least one week in advance of each tourney. Players will be notified by mail as to the time of their actual play.

Northern California Schedule

April 14 — San Jose — C	Aug. 11 — Seaside — C
April 21 — Seaside — D	Aug. 18 — San Jose-Los Gatos (Fair)
April 28 — San Jose — B	Pacific Coast Open
May 5 — Modesto — A	Aug. 18 — Vallejo — D
May 19 — Arroyo, Oakland — C	Aug. 24-25 — State, So. Gate State A.B.C.
May 26 — Grassvalley — B	Women, Juniors and Seniors
June 1-2 — Golden Gate — Open	Aug. 25 — Grassvalley Fair — Open
June 9 — Los Gatos — Open	Aug. 25 — Los Gatos — D
June 9 — Santa Rosa — C-D	Sept. 1-2 — Mosswood Championship — A
June 16 — San Jose — C-D	Sept. 8 — San Jose — A-B
June 23 — Seaside — A	Sept. 15 — Arroyo — B
June 23 — Grassvalley — C	Sept. 22 — Grassvalley — A
June 30 — Sacramento — B	Sept. 22 — Seaside — C
July 6-7 — Pleasanton Fair — Open	Sept. 29 — Modesto Championship — B
July 14 — Seaside — D	Oct. 6 — San Jose — A-D
July 20-21 — Santa Rosa, Sonoma Co. Fair	Oct. 12-13 — Barstow (12 noon) — Open
Open	Oct. 27 — San Jose Championship — C
July 28 — Vallejo — C	Nov. 3 — Mosswood — D
Aug. 4 — Golden Gate — B	Nov. 10 — Seaside Championship — D
Aug. 4 — San Jose — Women's Open	Nov. 17 — Golden Gate — C
Aug. 10 — Turlock Fair (Saturday only)	Nov. 24 — San Jose — Open Turkey Shoot
Open	

March Red Mill Open Won By Clyde Martz Of Pittsburgh

Clyde Martz of Pittsburgh won his second Red Mill Open Championship by defeating Albert Zadroga of Elizabeth in a sudden death play-off. Al, although not throwing since last September, managed to win his respective section and average a comfortable 77% ringers.

Class B was captured by a newcomer, Vince Sedlacek of New Kensington, Pa., with Albert Booth placing a strong second.

Class C was won by one of the most sparkling personalities in the horseshoe game, Dean Mayes of Pine Grove Mills, Pa.

CLASS A - 1

	W	L	%
Albert Zadroga	4	0	77.0
James Solomon	3	1	73.6
Oscar Engle	2	2	74.0
Richard Maroni	1	3	70.4
Frank Peluso	0	4	64.6

CLASS A - 2

	W	L	%
Clyde Martz	3	1	78.6
Howard Shriver	3	1	76.8
Sam Sutton	3	1	71.8
Pete Sowa	1	3	60.2
Vernon Wellington	0	4	60.5

CLASS A PLAY-OFF

Martz	50	82.1	112
Zadroga	40	78.5	112

CLASS B — Vince Sedlacek, 4-0-61.9; Albert Booth, 3-1-69.0; John Ruskin, 2-2-65.0; Charles Semans, 1-3-58.6; Frank Williams, 0-4-59.3.

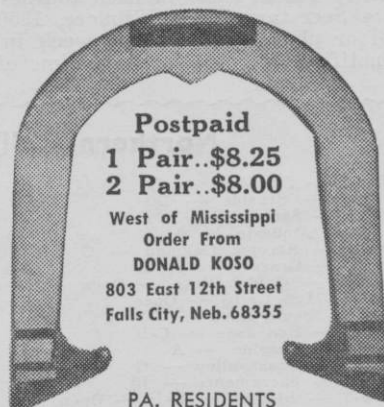
CLASS C — Dean Mayes, 4-0-58.9; Clyde Sprowls, 3-1-52.5; Charles Sowa, 2-2-55.0; Robert Lehman, 1-3-46.5; Herman Boyer, 0-4-31.2.

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New Jersey Association To Host National AAU Tournament

The New Jersey State Association has scheduled the National A.A.U. Horseshoe Pitching Championship tournament for July 26, 27 and 28 at the Mountain View Park in Middlesex, New Jersey.

This tournament should be an excellent opportunity for all players to 'sharpen up' before arriving in Keene to pitch their qualifying rounds. The World Tournament qualifying rounds are open until noon on Wednesday, July 31st, which means that players leaving New Jersey after our A.A.U. tournament can arrive in Keene on Sunday evening, July 28, and still have two and a half days in which to pitch their qualifying scores.

The schedule for the 1968 National A.A.U. Championship tournament is as follows: Qualifying — Friday, July 26 from 1 p.m. to 11 p.m. and on Saturday, July 27 from 8 to 10 in the morning. Competition - Saturday July 27 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and on Sunday, July 28 from 10 a.m. until finish.

Qualifying is not necessary for players with established ringer percentages. Keene, New Hampshire, is just a 5 to 6 hour ride from Middlesex, and all players can be there Sunday evening without any difficulty.

Middlesex is now in the process of completing 24 new courts with overhead lighting in a beautiful new park area. We are sure that all players will enjoy helping us break in these courts.

For the families of the players, Middlesex is an ideal central location for trips to New York City, the sea shore, the Poconos Mountains, Philadelphia, and many other nearby attractions. Any of these places can be reached by car in an hour or less. Motel accommodations are plentiful just one mile from the park.

We would like this 1968 National A.A.U. Horseshoe Pitching Championship tournament to be the biggest and best ever, and promise all comers the best in hospitality.

Entry blanks and further information for this tournament can be had by writing to Hal Hanania, President, N.J.S.H.P.A., 448 Runyon Ave., Middlesex, N.J. 08846. Entries close on Friday, July 19. Please get your entry in early.

Miami Valley Warm-Up Open Tournament, Franklin, Ohio

ATTENTION: All Horseshoe Players a new Warm-up Open Tournament will be held June 14-15-16, on the 12 new lighted courts, at Franklin Community Park, Franklin, Ohio. On Route 123 east of Franklin, and one mile west of south I-75.

So if you please we the Warren County and the Miami Valley Horseshoe Clubs would like to see a large number of horseshoe players at our new courts.

Qualifying: Friday night 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Sat. morning 8:00 till 11:30 a.m. 100 shoes total points.

CLASSES: Depending on entries will play all who qualify. All games round robin and 50 points cancellation.

PLAY TIME: Sat., June 15, at 2:00 and play as many classes as we can. Sunday time will be posted at the courts.

REQUIREMENTS: Sanction Tournament requires a combined State and National Card. The Ohio Buckeye State Horseshoe Association cards will be available at the courts. Card \$3.00, Digest \$2.50, Entry Fee \$6.00.

TROPHIES: 1st. in all classes, also certificates to champion of each class.

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The Horseshoe Clubs will have a lunch stand at the courts.



SPOTLIGHT

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Local Clubs

BROWNSTOWN, ILLINOIS — We here at Brownstown have the following dates set aside for Open Horseshoe tourneys at Brownstown. On Sat. July 13th the Fayette County Fair will sponsor the third Annual Horseshoe (Open) tourney with six-eight man classes.

On Labor Day Sept 2nd the Brownstown Horseshoe Club will sponsor an open horseshoe tourney with another 6-eight man classes being held.

We have an additional 4 sets of stakes this year and look forward to having many more pitchers from the neighboring states of Missouri and Indiana as well as Illinois.

HANNSFORD, N. D. — We have a 10-court setup here in Hannsford (a town of 275) and we had three leagues, six teams to a league, three members to a team. We run 10 weeks, split season. We just organized last spring and built our courts—slabs—lights—fence—clay pits and all. We had 65 members; about 50 taking part in horseshoe. We had some teams from neighboring towns. Horseshoe is really starting to come back up here.

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1 court.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

- KEENE**, Frank Washer,
447 Winchester Street — 1 court.

MICHIGAN

- WESTON**, Cowell's Courts,
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22 courts L.
- BATTLE CREEK**, James A. Davis,
103 S. 30th. — 1 court L.
- ANN ARBOR**, Jonas Otto,
543 S. 1st. Street. — 1 court.

NEW YORK

- WHITE PLAINS**, Carl von der
Lancken, 2 Manitou Trail — 1 court.

OREGON

- HILLSBORO**, Hillsboro Horseshoe
Club, 8th & Maple Streets, Shute
Park. — 12 courts (6L.)

MINNESOTA

- MINNEAPOLIS**, Minneapolis Horse-
shoe Club Loring Park. 12 courts L.

MASSACHUSETTS

- HOPKINTON**, Mrs. Emile E. Lareau
10 Cedar Street — 1 court.
- WAYLAND**, Arnold Christle
118 Glezen Lane — 2 courts L.

WEST VIRGINIA

- PARKERSBURG**, James Wilcoxon
806 Hamilton St. — 1 court.

ILLINOIS

- OAK PARK**, A. L. Austin
941 S. Home Ave. — 1 court.
- AURORA**, F. E. Cobb,
1307 Solfisburg Ave. — 1 court.

MISSOURI

- RICHHILL**, Dorsey Durfee —
1 court L.

MARYLAND

- RANDALLSTOWN**, Lester Lindley
8819 Liberty Road — 1 court.

INDIANA

- MIDDLETOWN**, Lowell K. Hinkle
R.R. 1 — 1 court.
- SUMMITVILLE**, Donald C. Owens
711 Washington — 1 court.
- ANDERSON**, Anderson Horseshoe
Club, Fairview Park, 29th & Fair-
view St. Heated & Air cond. Club
House — 12 courts.
- GREENFIELD**, Lowell Dearing,
R.R. 2. — 1 court.
- JONESBORO**, Chas. W. S. Nelson
— 1 court L.
- FRANKFORT**, Curt Day,
1200 E. Washington St. — 1 court.
- LEBANON**, Walter Wilhoite,
120 N. Allen Drive — 1 court L.
- TIPTON**, Frank Baxter,
R.R. 3 — 1 court.
- LAFAYETTE**, Randy McKinnis,
1419 N. 16th Street. — 1 court L.
- VALPARAISO**, Virgil Wray,
R.R. 3 — 1 court L.
- GREENCASTLE**, Virgil Taylor,
R.R. 4 — 1 court.
- CRAWFORDSVILLE**, John Ham-
mons, R.R. 4 — 1 court L.
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Court Registrations — (Continued)

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- RAPID CITY, Ringers Club,
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OHIO

- TOLEDO, Wm. T. Knepper,
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PENNSYLVANIA

- York, Anonymous — 1 court.
MAYFIELD, Michael Bernosky,
309 Whitmore Ave. — 1 court.
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Spring Open — May 18-19 — New Albany, Indiana

The New Albany & Putman County Community Park with 12 brand new lighted courts will be the scene of the opening of the 1968 horseshoe season with a big Spring Open scheduled for May 18-19 and conducted by the Indiana State Association assisted by the New Albany Horseshoe Club.

Entries must be in the hands of Earle Wilmore, 1350 Dearborn St., Gary, Ind. 46403 (phone 938-3431 area code 219) by Sunday evening, May 12. The entry fee is \$3.25. This is a sanctioned NHPA tourney.

Entries will be placed in classes on the basis of their latest tournament record and will be notified by mail as to their actual playing time. Anyone who feels their last recorded tournament percentage is too low or without a previous record may send a 100 shoe qualifying score with their entry and this will be used. The bulk of the entries are expected to come from Indiana and from across the Ohio river in Kentucky along with Ohio and Illinois players.

The park is located about eight miles off Interstate 65 from the New Albany and Sellersburg exit. Take 31W south to the Ill. junction and turn right. This is a large modern park with picnic areas, swimming facilities, playground and rides.

The park department has co-operated with the New Albany Club in building the new courts, installing lights and promoting the tourney. It is hoped to make this an annual affair with another tournament the final weekend of September. Officers of the New Albany Club are Bob Rambo, president, Frank Kelly, vice-president and Bill Summerfield, secretary-treasurer.

COVER PICTURE . . . Frank Washer and Lloyd Putnam, both members of the NHPA and the Keene, N. H., Horseshoe Club are anxious to start practicing for the 1968 World Championship Tournament in their home town. They even shoveled off one of Wheelock Park's 24 courts on a late winter's day for a little pre-season pitching! The club is busily preparing to welcome the hundreds of horseshoe fans who'll come to Keene for the 11-day classic next July 27 through August 6.

— Tom Blake Photo

Bettisworth Winner of Ottumwa, Iowa Indoor Open

We had the largest turnout for this Indoor Horseshoe Tournament of any indoor tournament held here for which we are well pleased and thank everyone for coming. We had pitchers from four surrounding states.

Casey Bettisworth of Galesburg, Illinois drew the winning ribbon with a 4 and 1 record in Class A. Paxton of Ottumwa, Iowa, was high qualifier with 249 points.

CLASS A

	W	L
C. Bettisworth, Ill.	4	1
Bill Vandegriff, Iowa	3	2
Byron Hafner, Iowa	3	2
John Paxton, Iowa	3	2
Harold Darnold, Iowa	1	4
Bob Galles, Iowa	1	4

CLASS B

	W	L
Paul Jensen, Ill.,	5	1
Armand Brown, Iowa	4	2
Charles Foxx, Iowa	3	2
Ernie Danielson, Iowa	2	3
Marion Lange, Iowa	1	4
W. R. Rubison, Ill.,	1	4

CLASS C — Edmond Weber, Iowa, 4-1; Junior Waddle, Iowa, 3-2; Jake Davis, Iowa, 3-2; Madeleo Blake, Iowa, 3-2; Ross Sornberger, Ill., 2-3; Darwin Wells, Mo., 0-5.

CLASS D — Ralph Ritz, Iowa, 3-2; Earl Ryner, Ill., 3-2; Harry Anderson, Ill., 3-2; Harold Paxton, Iowa, 3-2; Clinton Williams, Iowa, 2-3; Neil Vandegriff, Iowa, 1-4.

CLASS E — Andy Jackson, Iowa, 4-1; Bill Burgess, Iowa, 4-1; Bob St. George, Ill., 4-1; Walt Krapfl, Iowa, 2-3; Lloyd Austin, Iowa, 1-4; Tom Durham, Nebr., 1-4.

CLASS F — Jack Cook Iowa, 5-0; Al Sweeney, Iowa, 3-2; Tipton Alexander, Mo., 3-2; Ken Sproston, Iowa, 3-2; Walter Killip, Ill., 1-4; Howard Fite, Iowa, 0-5.

CLASS G — Ralph Crawford, Iowa, 3-0; Larry Waddle, Iowa, 2-1; Joe Haley, Iowa, 1-2; Arden Messer, Iowa, 0-3.

The next Open tournament to be held here, will be Outdoor Tournament in Riverside Park, Ottumwa, Iowa, across from the Coliseum, May 11-12, in conjunction with the Family Camping and Outdoor Living Show. Qualifying on Saturday, May 11 or mail in qualifying score with \$3 to Mrs. Charley Hopkins, 124 S. Cherry St., Ottumwa, Iowa, 52501. Finals to be at 9:30 a.m., May 12th.

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COMING EVENTS

- April 20-21 — Annual Michigan National Open tournament, Ray's Recreation, near Dimondale, Michigan, (Indoors)
- April 28 — Lynchburg (Tri-County) Doubles, Championship, Miller Park Courts, Lynchburg, Virginia.
- May 5 — Junior A.A.U. Tournament (N.J. only), Branch Brook Park, Newark, N.J.
- May 11-12 — Iowa Hawkeye outdoor tournament, Riverside park courts, Ottumwa, Iowa
- May 16-17-18-23-24-25 — Spring Ringer tournament, Pickaway County Club courts, 319 So. Washington St., Circleville, Ohio.
- May 18-19 — The Oil Capital Open tournament, Central park courts, 6th and Peoria Sts., Tulsa, Oklahoma.
- May 19 — Lois Kolb Memorial Tournament (Open) Mountain View Park, Middlesex, N. J.
- May 25 — National AAU Juniors Tournament, Kansas City, Missouri, for full details as to time and place, write to Harry Strohm, 419 South White, Kansas City, Missouri 64123.
- May 26 — Lynchburg (Tri-County) Singles Championship, Miller Park Courts, Lynchburg, Virginia.
- May 31, June 1-2 — Greenville, Ohio Spring Open tournament City Park courts, Greenville, Ohio.
- June 2 — A.A.U. Open, Warinanco Park, Elizabeth, N. J.
- June 8-9 — Spring Round-Up Tournament, Marcotte Park courts, Lewiston, Maine.
- June 8-9 — Michigan Water-Wonderland Open, Weston, Michigan
- June 8 & 9 — Winchester Singles Championship, Winchester, Virginia.
- June 14-15-16 — Miami Valley Open, Community Park, Franklin, Ohio, on Rte. 123 East.
- June 15 & 16 — Lynchburg Invitational Tournament, Miller Park Courts, Lynchburg, Virginia.
- June 16-23 — Massachusetts Open Tournament, Westside Club Courts, West Springfield, Mass.
- June 16 — Annual Crete, Open Tournament, Crete, Nebraska. Send qualifying score to Elmer Grage, Crete, Nebraska 68333.
- June 16 — John Rossett Memorial (Open), Warinanco Park, Elizabeth, N. J.
- June 22-23 — Eastern National Tournament, Open, Glenwood Park, Erie, Pa. 144 pitchers available.
- June 23 — Annual St. Joe Open Tournament, Noyes Field courts, 28th and Edmond Sts., St. Joseph, Missouri.
- June 23 — Hebron Jaycee Open tournament, Hebron, North Dakota.
- June 28-29-30 — Fourth Annual Hebron, Ohio Open tournament, Route 440. Take the Hebron and Newark exits, north of new route 70.
- June 30 — New Jersey Open, Mountain View Park, Middlesex, N. J.
- July 4 — 4th of July Open, Mound City, Missouri. Details from Stanley Brickey, Mound City, Missouri 64470.
- July 5-6-7 — The "(Ringer Classic)" Open, Greenville, Ohio. Details later.
- July 6-7 — Annual Red River Valley Open Tournament, Oak Grove courts, Fargo, North Dakota.
- July 7 — Annual 4-State Tournament, Falls City, Nebraska. Send scores to Don Koso, 803 East 12th St., Falls City, Nebraska 68355.
- July 13 — Brownstown Open Tournament, Fayette County Fair, Brownstown, Illinois.
- July 13 — Middle Atlantic States Tournament (New York, New Jersey & Pennsylvania Only), Mountain View Park, Middlesex, N. J.
- July 13-14 — Northwest Pa. Invitational. Open, Glenwood Park, Erie, Pa. 80 pitchers available.
- July 13 & 14 — N.H.P.A. Virginia State Championship, Winchester, Virginia.
- July 20 — New Jersey Championships (16 yr. olds & under), Mountain View Park, Middlesex, N. J.
- July 20-21 — Third Annual Vacationland Open tournament, Marcotte Park courts, Lewiston, Maine.
- July 20 & 21 — Hill City Open Tournament, Miller Park Courts, Lynchburg, Virginia.
- July 27 & 28 — National A.A.U. Championships (Open), Mountain View Park, Middlesex, N. J.
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- July 27-Aug. 6 — **WORLD TOURNAMENT**, Wheelock Park courts, Keene, New Hampshire. First four and one half days devoted to qualifying.
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- August 10-11 — Annual Maine State Tournament, location to be announced later.
- Aug. 10 & 11 — Winchester Invitational Tournament, Winchester, Virginia.
- August 11 — Western Massachusetts Tournament, Westside Courts, West Springfield, Mass.
- August 11 — Annual Falls City Open Tournament, Falls City, Nebraska. Send scores to Don Koso, 803 East 12th St., Falls City, Nebraska 68355.
- August 11 — Essex County Open, Branch Brook Park, Newark, N. J.
- August 11 — Annual Galesburg Open tournament, Lincoln Park courts, (North on Rte. 150) Galesburg, Illinois.
- August 13 & 14 — Annual Illinois State Tournament, State Fairgrounds, Springfield, Illinois.
- August 14 — Annual Illinois State Boys' Tournament, State Fairgrounds, Springfield, Illinois.
- August 17 & 18 — Annual Cornbelt Open tournament, Crapo Park courts (South Main Street), Burlington, Iowa.
- August 18 — Massachusetts State Tournament, Westside Club Courts, West Springfield, Mass.
- August 18 — Mound City Open Tournament, Mound City, Missouri. Send scores to Stanley Brickey, Mound City, Missouri 64470.
- August 25 — Senior A.A.U. Tournament (N.J. Only), Warinanco Park, Elizabeth, N. J.
- August 25 — Erie County Tournament, Glenwood Park, Erie, Pa.
- Aug. 30-31, Sept. 1-2 — Annual Ohio State tournament, City Park courts, Greenville, Ohio.
- Aug. 31 and Sept. 1 — Annual Nebraska State Tournament, Crete, Nebraska. MUST qualify at Crete, Nebraska.
- Aug. 31 and Sept. 1-2 — Annual New England Tournament, Marcotte Park courts, Lewiston, Maine.
- Aug. 31, Sept. 1-2 — Annual Pennsylvania State tournament, Glenwood Park, Erie, Pa. State members only, 240 pitchers available.

Coming Events — Continued

Sept. 1 — New Jersey Singles Championships (N.J. Only), Mountain View Park, Middlesex, N. J.

Sept. 2 — Open Tournament, Brownstown, Illinois. Six eight-man classes.

Sept. 2 — New Jersey Doubles Championships (N.J. Only), Mountain View Park, Middlesex, N. J.

Sept. 2 — Annual Rock River Valley Open tournament, Lawrence Park courts (Midway between Rock Falls and Sterling, Illinois) Rock Falls, Illinois.

Sept. 7 & 8 — Carl Frye Memorial Tournament, Winchester, Virginia.

Sept. 8 — Annual Midland Empire Open Tournament, Noyes Field courts, 28th and Edmond Sts., St. Joseph, Missouri. Send scores to Ray Cavin, 1824 Holman Street, St. Joseph, Missouri 64500.

Sept. 15 — Brick City Open tournament, Hebron, North Dakota.

Sept. 21-22 — Columbus Open Tournament, Columbus, Ohio. Write Francis Park 5220 No. High St., Columbus, Ohio 43214 for details.

Hebron, Ohio Open Tournament — June 28-30

The fourth annual Hebron, Ohio Open Horseshoe Tournament will be held on June 28-29-30, at the Hebron, Ohio Courts, located on Route 440, 25 miles east of Columbus, Ohio, north of Route 70, take the Hebron and Newark exit.

The Hebron Club will sponsor the tournament and assisted by the Ohio Buckeye Horseshoe Association. This will be an N.H.P.A. Sanctioned Tournament with certificates being awarded to first place winners in each class. Also trophies to first place winners and some cash back to each player. The defending champion is Glenn Riffle, Dayton, Ohio.

Qualifying will begin on Friday evening, June 28, at 6 p.m. until 10 p.m. resuming on Saturday at 8 a.m. till 11:30 a.m. June 29th. 100 shoes to qualify and the entry fee is \$6.00.

The Hebron and Newark Clubs extend a cordial invitation to all players to participate in this annual event. There are motels and restaurants nearby. Also the Clubs will have a lunch stand near the courts.

1968 World Tournament Housing Reservations

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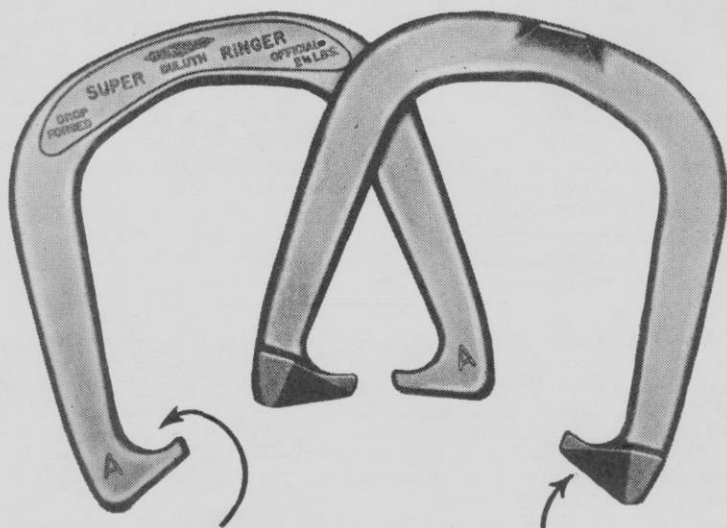
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