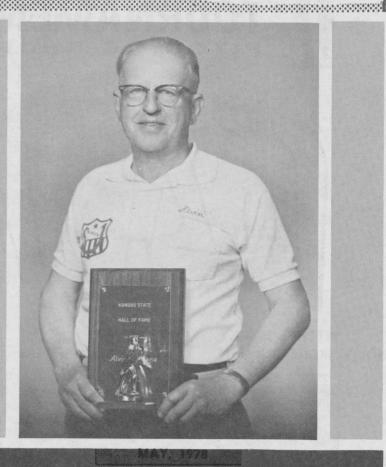
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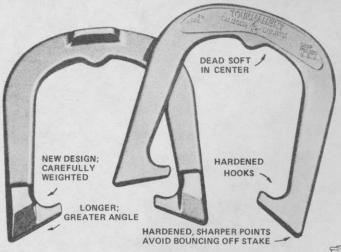
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#### NHPA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Wally Shipley

#### Dear Wally and all the NHPA:

Your mailgram arrived when I needed it most. The floral remembrance in the shape of a horseshoe, sent by Clarence Giles from the NHPA, was beautiful and deeply appreciated. Thanks again to you and everyone from the Stokes family.

Maurine "Stokes" Cook

Don Fales of New Hampshire has accepted the NHPA Regional Director of the New England States, replacing Pete Shepard, who resigned.

Pete, on behalf of the NHPA, thanks for your outstanding hard work, efforts, cooperation and promoting horseshoes in the New England States and for the NHPA in your many years as NHPA Regional Director.

Please accept my personal thanks, Pete, for the same efforts during my administration. I deeply appreciate all that you have done. I hope and am sure you will continue to promote the sport and the NHPA.

Don Fales address is 276 N. Main St., W. Franklin, N.H. 03235 — 603-934-4807.

At the Dogwood Open Tournament in Statesville, North Carolina, Donnie Roberts, Leo McGrath and John Rademacher had a meeting with Jack Springer concerning the 1979 W.T. They discussed many things that still must be done and corrected to have a successful tournament.

The 1978 W.T. trophy list and convention agenda are published elsewhere in this issue.

All delegates at the convention will receive a package containing the following: 1977 minutes, financial statement, convention agenda, tournament schedule, proposed by-law changes, and names and information on all the candidates for office who have notified us in time to print their intentions.

Telephones will be available at the World Tournament, NHPA Office Phone 515-262-3542; 515-262-3945. Housing Committee phone 515-262-6915.

SPECIAL NOTE: These phones will not be in use until the World Tournament. See you in Des Moines. Have a safe trip. Good luck and pitching to all participants.

#### ATTENTION WORLD TOURNAMENT TRAVELERS:

Please read this and maybe you will more understand why you should think about staying at the headquarters hotel or a motel when coming to Des Moines for the 1978 World Tournament.

The Hotel Savery is Iowa's Largest Hotel. This hotel is located just 3½ miles from the site of the Championships and about 2 miles from the Birdland Park area. A bus comes by every 15 minutes and takes you to the fairgrounds or Birdland or you can drive it in about 15 minutes.

Women or men who do not wish to see the horseshoe pitching every day can catch a bus or walk to any of the enclosed shopping malls, theaters, State Capital Building, State Historical Building, Public Library, or shop in the loop, go to the YMCA, YWCA or any of the other many places to see.

The NHPA Convention and the NHPA Banquet will be held at the Hotel Savery. You will enjoy the personalized service the hotel staff gives you while you are their guest. Red Henton will provide entertainment on the weekend.

Their room rates are very reasonable lower than the Holiday Inn, The Ramada Inns, Best Western and other similar motels in the area. Single rooms \$20.00. Double rooms \$24.00 and children under 16 free. Also parking for guests is free.

Please ask for any room rates at any of the hotels or motels we will send them to you if you wish. You will find plenty of rooms available in Des Moines and lots of friendly people.

Des Moines is the home of the happy delegate and the surprising horseshoe place.

#### ADDITIONAL WORLD TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

The World Tournament Committee will accept donations from Friends of Horseshoes. All late donations will be acknowledged on the Round Robin card.

All purchasers of World Tournament items should add 50 cents or \$1.00 for postage and handling charges depending on the size of their order.

#### THE WALTER RAY WILLIAMS SHOW CAME TO HERITAGE

#### By Russell Gadoury

For weeks, from the moment it was known that Walter Ray Williams would definitely be coming to Heritage, the tension mounted. A gala weekend was planned. Some lucky low average horseshoe pitcher would be chosen as his partner for Friday night. There would be an exhibition between Walter Ray and Debby Michaud, a pair of World Champions. And of course thirteen Heritage regulars would have an opportunity to lock horns with him in the Heritage National Open. News releases, advertisements, and newsletters were sent out. Channel 5 News gave the event an added boost with a three-minute interview with Debby Michaud.

D (for Deadeye) Day was at hand. Most Friday night pitchers assembled at Heritage long before Walter Ray arrived, wanting to get their first look at a "legend", to quote the news release. From the moment he arrived furtive and not so furtive glances were cast his way. Their patience was almost immediately rewarded. During his warmup with Ed Domey they played a

COVER PICTURE... In the late days of September in 1977, Alvin Dahlene of Lawrence, Kansas, with a 57-year career of competition was inducted into the Kansas state horseshoe Hall of Fame. He began his pitching career in 1920 and has since set a wide variety of records as well as at one time reigning as Kansas state champion. He finished in fifth place in the 1941 World Tournament. During his career he has done some exhibition pitching.

#### WILLIAMS — (Continued)

couple of 25 pointers. The "honor" of Heritage was upheld in the second game when Domey won. This proved to be the only "honor" to be upheld all weekend!

Friday night doubles. High and low average pitchers put together as partners. Two teams — movers and stayers. Micky McNeill wins the privilege of being Walter Ray's partner by virtue of his 9.1% average last Sunday. Micky proceeds to pitch the best of his life, throwing game winning doubles and generally helping his partner win all games. Walter Ray's comment on the format: "These guys have fun!"

Saturday. 5 p.m. Introduction of Class 1 pitchers, including seven past or present state champions. The numbers start pouring in. High games announced. Round 1: Williams 90%, Rioux 88.9%. Round 2: Williams 92.9%, Rioux 85.2%. Round 3: Williams 27 for 28, 96.4%; new Heritage single game record, and a clean ringer had spun off — almost perfect game. Round 4: Williams 88.9%, Ed Domey 86.1%. Round 5: Williams 88.5%, Schultz 84.0%. Round 6: Williams 82.5%, Rioux 80.4%. Williams has had high game in every round. But

wonder of wonders, no shutouts! End of first day's competition.

Saturday. 8:30 p.m. The well publicized exhibition between Williams and Massachusetts' pride and joy, World Champion Debby Michaud, is about to begin. The crowd, generally horseshoe pitchers but with many an unfamiliar face among its number, has gradually increased in size. About 250 fill the bleachers and line the lower fence. After appropriate introductions the match gets under way. X-X0 Williams. X-X0 Williams. XX-XX XX-XX. X-X0 Williams. XX-XX Twelve times it's XX or X0 Williams and the score in the 35-point game is 21-0 Williams. Finally a miss, and it's X0-X Michaud. 21-3. But alas for the hopefuls in the audience twelve more XX or X0's for Williams follow. Final score 36-3. Williams — 50 shoes, 49 ringers, 98%. Michaud 38 ringers, 76%. A roar from the crowd when the final tabulations are announced. Debby has pitched a good game enough to win a World Championship — and she is nearly shut out. Ed Domey presents Walter with a Heritage jacket as a momento of his trip to Heritage.

Saturday. 9 p.m. Mass. HPA and Heritage have a special "Salute to Debby." It begins with Walter Ray Sr's tape of Debby's playoff games with Ruth Hangen. Then films of Debby winning the title. Finally some gifts. A hand crafted horseshoe carrying case. A plaque with Debby's title-winning scoresheet. Flowers on behalf of all the pitchers. The audience is shown the "Congratulations World Champ" sign made and put on Debby's tent in Greenville by Lorraine Thomas and Vicki Winston. Certificates of commendation from the town of

Raynham and from the state of Massachusetts.

Sunday. 2 p.m. Final seven games to be played. Walter Ray slacks off a bit but continues winning. For the first time others post round high games. Schultz 84.4%, Ed Domey 85.7%, Bob Domey 91.7%, Bob Traquair 87.5%, in rounds 7-11. The push is on. Walter has taken the play away from each would-be contender. Only Tyson and Ed Domey remain. Tyson starts strong but Walter smells victory. 87.0% for round 12 high game. Now it's down to #2 seed Ed Domey. Ed is out of contention but was stroking near the end of his last game. Can he be the one to put a number in Walter's loss column? Nope. 35-3 the score, 35 for 38 the ringers, 92.1 the percentage, taking high game for the day, winning the Heritage Open undefeated, and sending the crowd home shaking their collective heads in disbelief.

The weekend of April 15, 1978 is one that the horseshoe pitchers of New England will long remember. Each year Ed Domey has tried to make the Heritage National Open memorable by bringing in a player of national prominence. Carl Steinfeldt provided the thrills the past three yars. This year Ed invited Walter Ray. Ed paid the plane fare, gave him some "walking around" money, and posted the prize fund. The admission fee barely covered the hors d'oeurves we enjoyed at the close of the Saturday program. Every part of the weekend was planned meticulously, to insure a noteworthy event. Fred Simon had Heritage Recreation Center sparkling. Don Harrison did yeoman duty on the statistics. Anne, Janice, and Barbara Domey kept the food coming for hungry pitchers and spectators. Many others helped out in one way or another.

And last, but not least, Walter Ray (formerly known as Deadeye) Williams gave us the show we were all expecting. Perhaps that is why he was nervous about a tournament for the first time since Greenville. Thank you, Walter.

#### FRED BETTERTON WINS ALA. "DOGWOOD OPEN" AT HUNTSVILLE

It was Fred Betterton all the way in the recent Dogwood Open tournament held at the Brahan Springs park courts in Huntsville, Alabama. He had a good day with 5 straight wins and a 42 percent ringer average. Marion Price came second. Ose Veesey won Class B with 4 in a row, while Gary Veesey racked up 3 victories to win the Junior class.

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CLASS A — Fred Betterton, 5-0-42.0; Marion Price, 3-2-41.0; James Johnson, 3-2-34.0; Bob O'Connors, 3-2-36.0; Carl Baker, 1-4-30.0.

CLASS B — Ose Veesey, 4-0-30.0; L.D. Błackburn, 3-1-26.0; Preston Pettite, 2-2-28.5; Gary Floyd, 1-3-22.9; Stanley Jeans, 0-4.

JUNIORS - Gary Veesey, 3-0-25.0; Brian Baker, 2-1-10.0; Mike Motes, 0-3.

#### BELLMAN ON TOP IN WOOD RINGER CLASSIC AT ELWOOD, IND.

Clarence Bellman, of Bremen, Indiana with a 76.3 ringer percentage and 7 straight victories took first place in the Wood Ringer Classic held on the Pinecrest courts in Elwood, Indiana. Bill Holland was runnerup with 6-1-75.6 followed by Jerry Wood with 4-3-74.9 for third spot. Doyle Mink won Class B while Pete Wher took Class C. Pat Kluesner copped Class D.

CLASS A — Clarence Bellman, Bremen, 7-0-76.3; Bill Holland, Indianapolis, 6-1-75.6; Jerry Wood, Pinecrest, 4-3-74.9; Leroy Rowe, Angola, 3-4-65.7; Frank Baxter, Tipton, 3-4-61.0; John Shuck, Sharpsville, 3-4-60.9; Gene Grimm, Claypool, 2-5-54.8; Glen Teter, Tipton, 0-7-50.7.

CLASS B — Doyle Mink, Indianapolis, 6-1-56.2; Ed Weyer, Ferdinland, 6-1-44.0; George Hinshaw, Modoc, 5-2-51.7; Brian O'Connor, Indianapolis, 4-3-43.0; Les Moore, Forest, 3-4-39.7; John Black, Wabash, 2-5-43.1; J.W. Cox, Wabash, 2-5-35.4.

CLASS C — Pete Wher, Jasper, 5-2-42.5; George Roadruck, Greentown, 5-2-41.0; Larry Tunnin, Indianapolis, 5-2-39.3; Elmer Branson, Gaston, 4-3-40.5; Troy Creech, Elwood, 4-3-36.0; Walt Vetor, 3-4-33.0; Bill Tom, 2-5-29.4

CLASS D — Pat Kluesner, Jasper, 5-1-32.5; Chub Cherry, Tipton, 3-3-30.8; Ken Gray, Hagerstown, 3-3-30.1; Mike Cherry, Atlanta, 1-5-17.7.

#### WHITMER NEW FLORIDA STATE CHAMP

Underdog Duaine Whitmer of Winter Haven won all of his games and his first State Title at New Smyrna Beach on Saturday, April 22, 1978. Duane caught 10-time State Champion John Rademacher off guard in the 5th game of a 7-man round robin, winning 51 to 38 with his high game of the day of 67.6% ringers. Rademacher's high game of the day was 70.4% with his only loss being to Whitmer. Paul Scheub of Sarasota took third place with 2 losses. Paul's high game was 69.7% with an average of 59.2 for the day.

CLASS A — Duaine Whitmer, Winter Haven, 6-0-59.9; John Rademacher, Plant City, 5-1-61.8; Paul Scheub, 4-2-59.2; Dwight Thatcher, Nobleton, 3-3-52.0; Wm. Riley, Bradenton, 1-5-54.4; Richard Ferguson, Sarasota, 1-5-54.3; James Peterson, Orlando, 1-5-46.6.

CLASS B — Earle Morris, Lakeland, 6-0-43.2; Red Benton, Plant City, 5-1-43.0; Clifton Madren, Orlando, 3-3-47.6; Chas. Ogline, Bradenton, 3-3-46.2; Bob Widdersheim, Clearwater, 2-4-42.3; Geo. Buskey, Clearwater, 2-4-40.6; Chas. Warner, Winter Springs, 0-6-41.7.

CLASS C — Chas. Hilton, Miami, 6-1-43.2; Ken Reeb, Winter Haven, 5-2-43.2; Andy Doshna, Clearwater, 5-2-40.7; Dick Welgel, Clearwater, 4-3-37.9; Helmer Anderson, St. Cloud, 4-3-31.4; Marion Collins, Dunedin, 3-4-43.8; Maurice Gillespie, Sarasota, 1-6-31.8; Oscar Gaudette, New Smyrna Beach, 0-7-34.7.

CLASS D — Hap Harrison, 5-0-44.4; Huston Toole, New Smyrna Beach, 3-2-31.7; Joe West, Haines City, 3-2-30.5; Earle Johnson, Bradenton, 2-3-28.2; Lee Davis, 1-4-22.7; Ralph Rollins, Brooksville, 1-4-20.9.

CLASS E — Chet Larson, St. Cloud, 4-1-28.4; Joel Berrall, Orlando, 4-1-23.4; Quenton Ellingson, New Smyrna Beach, 3-2-23.5; John Richter, New Smyrna Beach, 2-3-23.2; Norm Gaseau, Clearwater, 1-4-18.4; Eli Miller, Dunnellon, 1-4-18.0.

CLASS F — Dave Cevesco, New Smyrna Beach, 5-0-28.9; Jim Trevarthen, New Smyrna Beach, 4-1-26.4; Doug Sears, New Smyrna Beach, 22.5; Percy Wells, Clearwater, 1-4-16.8; Geo. Rankin, Deland, 1-4-16.5; Herman Peterson, Deland, 1-4-11.8.

#### FLORIDA STATE ASSN. GOES 100% NHPA

At its annual meeting in New Smyrna Beach on April 22, 1978, the membership voted unanimously to obtain NHPA sanction for all classes in all tournaments beginning with its 1978-79 tournament schedule. This is a bargain considering the planned schedule of 30 to 40 tournaments during the coming Fall-Winter Season.

#### LIVENGOOD TOPS "OLD SETTLERS" OPEN AT SUMNER, ILL.

Rev. H.B. Livengood of Robinson, Illinois took time out from his pastoral duties to take part in the annual Old Settlers Open tournament held in Sumner, Illinois on April 22 and in doing so won seven straight games to top Class A. Runnerup was the genial Jim Wilson from Casey, Illinois, promoter of the annual Shrine club meet held in that city each year. Mary Jurgen, director of the Illinois Conservation Dept., sponsor of the meet, was in charge. Special thanks to the radio and TV coverage which was excellent. Also to Leo Schlosser and his assistants and to the Owensville, Ind. club. The weatherman was not very cooperative but three classes took to the courts.

CLASS A — H.B. Livengood, Ilt., 7-0; Jim Wilson, Ill., 6-1; Rex Swinson, Ill., 4-3; C. Cook, Ill., 3-4; D. Henry, Ind., 2-5; B. Ungethein, Ind., 2-5; Ted Stoltz, Ill., 2-5; Jim McIntosh, Ind., 1-6.

CLASS B — Myers, III., 6-1; McCoy, III., 6-1; Totten, III., 4-3; Knop, III., 4-3; Frakne, III., 4-3; Maikranz, Ind., 2-5; Beel, III., 1-6; Reid, III., 1-6.

CLASS C — J. Miller, Ind., 7-0; R. Hood, III., 6-1; I. White, III., 5-2; Ray Dillon, Ind., 4-3; D. Perry, III., 3-4; D. White, III., 2-5; R. Smith, III., 1-6; G. Perry, III., 0-7.

#### McBRIDE VICTOR IN SACRAMENTO, CALIF. CLASS A

Mate McBride was tough all day as he won the group with just one loss. He pitched the high game in Northern California so far of 84%. He also averaged 64.6% which is his high since coming to Northern California in 1975. Up and coming Bill Hoffman of Redding finished second with a fine 60.9%. Marty Dunn may have started bad but he came back in the playoff over Mauzey and Hanlon for the title. Frank Cravalho showed the wisdom and toughness of the veteran he is when he defeated 2nd year man Chuck Reynolds in the last game to clinch 1st. Chuck kept coming on but Frank held him off. Larry Kelley had his finest day to date in taking A-4 over Benn Capp in a playoff for first.

A-1 — Mate McBride, Sacramento, 6-1-64.6; Bill Hoffman, Shasta, 5-2-60.9; Pete Manitone, Sacramento, 5-2-58.3; Al Crabtree, Turlock, 3-4-58.9; Vern Gosney, Vallejo, 3-4-56.6; Bill Vines, Turlock, 3-4-52.9; Herb Rushing, Grass Valley, 2-5-46.3; Max Vice, Sonoma Co., 1-6-46.3.

A-2 — Marty Dunn, Tri Valley, 7-2-49.8; Bob Hanlon, Sonoma Co., 5-3-50.8; Bob Mauzey, Sonoma Co., 5-3-48.5; Harley Swander, Golden Gate, 4-3-41.7; Tom Keys, Sacramento, 3-4-46.6; Wayne McGhee, Turlock, 3-4-39.1; George Greeott, Sonoma Co., 3-4-34.0; Tom Markovich, Vallejo, 0-7-21.4.

A-3 — Frank Cravalho, Golden Gate, 6-1-38.0; Chuck Reynolds, Mosswood, 5-2-40.6; Harry Lucas, Sacramento, 5-2-40.3; Earl Compton, Sacramento, 4-3-41.4; Pete Quintana, Vallejo, 3-4-41.1; Holland Payne, Sacramento, 2-5-38.0; Juke Basham, Yuba Sutter, 2-5-37.7; Wayne Chambers, Golden Gate, 1-6-26.6.

A-4 — Larry Kelley, Golden Gate, 7-1-38.8; Benn Capp, Yuba Sutter, 6-2-38.3; Lee Bousfield, Grass Valley, 6-1-40.6; Ben Yost, Vallejo, 4-3-35.4; Pat Moore, San Jose, 3-4-32.0; Harley Harris, Turlock, 2-5-22.9; Fred Kopp (forfeit), 0-7-23.3; Marc Desmond (forfeit) 0-7-13.3.

#### TO HOLD QUINCY, ILLINOIS OPEN, JULY 1

The Quincy Horseshoe Club will hold its annual Open tournament on Saturday, July 1 at the Reservoir park courts on 24th Street in Quincy, Illinois. Entry fee will be \$6.00 and entries close at 11:00 a.m. on the day of the tournament. Round robin play will start at 1 p.m. For further information contact Floyd Hammitt, 621 South Memorial St., Pittsfield, Illinois 62363.

#### KELLEY SWEEPS STOCKTON D — STOCKTON, CALIF.

Larry Kelley won his first Championship group in three years as he swept the Stockton Class D. Joe Zoglman only had the 6th highest average of the group but managed 6 wins out of 7 for second. Kelley had the high game of 48% but Arnold Davis had the high average of 37.4%. Harley Harris went back to his flip shoe and had his best tournament in years for the D-2 title. Ernie Gonzales won D-3 in his first ever tournament with a victory on his home courts. George Gigli of Vallejo took home his first trophy by defeating Dareld Lambert in a playoff, 26-23.

D-1 — Larry Kelley, Golden Gate, 7-0-36.6; Joe Zoglman, Sacramento, 6-1-27.7; Arnold Davis, Shasta; 5-2-37.4; Paul McNally, Tri Valley, 4-3-31.4; Larry Karlen, Shasta, 3-4-31.1; Bill Hall, San Lorenzo, 2-5-28.9; Richard Ennis, Stockton, 1-6-19.1; Robert Bendorf, Yuba Sutter, 0-7-14.0.

D-2 — Harley Harris, Turlock, 6-1-34.3; Pat Moore, San Jose, 5-2-29.4; Cruz Sagasta, Sacramento, 5-2-27.1; Quincy Rhodes, Tri Valley, 4-3-26.3; Paul Van De Veere, Turlock, 4-3-25.7; Manuel Braga, Mosswood, 2-5-24.9; Lewis Lovelady, Jr., Golden Gate, 2-5-24.6; Andy Andersen, Tri Valley, 0-7-15.4.

D-3 — Ernie Gonzales, Stockton, 5-0-30.4; Walter Ullryy, Yuba Sutter, 4-1-24.8; Fred Kopp, Vallejo, 3-2-25.2; Ray Mittlesteadt, Stockton, 1-4-22.4; Ernie Kim, Mosswood, 1-4-20.0; Benny Avery, Stockton, 1-4-18.0.

D-4 — George Gigli, Vallejo, 6-1-25.0; Dareld Lambert, Sacramento, 5-2-21.7; Marc Desmond, Tri Valley, 4-2-24.3; Gerry Pawloski, Tri Valley, 3-3-19.0; Jim Smith, Golden Gate, 2-4-10.7; Ralph Collins, Vallejo, 1-5-10.3; Dick Pawloski, Tri Valley, 1-5-8.3.

#### FRASER WINS 5 AT MOSSWOOD OPEN — OAKLAND, CALIF.

Ken Fraser won his second tournament of the 1978 season on the Mosswood Park Courts in Oakland. He was steady all day and it paid off in close games with Titcomb and Latino. Don Titcomb finished second, 2 games back. Arnie Coleman kind of embarrassed the first group by throwing the high game of the tournament at 76%. He enjoyed his finest day to date with a 64.8% average on his way to first in AA-2. Elton Cowles outpitched everybody a bunch for first in AA-3. Jim Howard was second.

AA-1 — Ken Fraser, Mosswood, 5-0-68.0; Don Titcomb, San Jose, 3-2-62.4; Monte Latino, Sacramento, 3-2-59.6; Mate McBride, Sacramento, 2-3-53.6; Vern Gosney, Vallejo, 1-4-50.8; Tom Webb, Rio Dell, 1-4-49.6.

AA-2 — Arnie Coleman, Stockton, 5-0-64.8; Bob Mauzey, Sonoma Co., 4-1-44.0; Lloyd Potter, San Jose, 2-3-52.4; Bob Hanlon, Sonoma Co., 2-3-46.0; Herman Schneider, Mosswood, 1-4-44.0; Stewart Snyder, Sonoma Co., 1-4-33.2

AA-3 — Elton Cowles, San Lorenzo, 7-0-45.4; Jim Howard, San Jose, 6-1-32.8; Frank Cravalho, Golden Gate, 5-2-34.6; Art Rector, Mosswood, 4-3-36.0; Frank Swift, Golden Gate, 2-5-26.0; Quincy Rhodes, Tri Valley, 2-5-23.7; Gene Hood, Mosswood, 2-6-23.4; Gordon Hammerud, Golden Gate, 0-7-11.4.

#### KEN REEB RE-ELECTED FLORIDA STATE PRESIDENT

At its annual meeting and banquet held at the New Smyrna Beach Elks Lodge on April 22, 1978, the Florida State Assn. re-elected Ken Reeb of Winter Haven as President for a second term. Norm Gaseau of Clearwater was elected Sec-Treas. for a 5th term. Elected as vice presidents 1, 2, 3 and 4 were Oscar Gaudette, New Smyrna Beach, James Peterson of Orlando, Maurice Gillespie and Paul Scheub, both of Sarasota.

#### 6th ANNUAL MOUNDSVILLE, W. VA. OPEN - JULY 22-23

The 6th annual Moundsville Open Tournament will be held at Moundsville, West Virginia on Saturday and Sunday, July 22 and 23. Entries will be limited to the first 72 players. Trophies and cash prizes will be awarded in all classes. Deadline for entries is midnight of July 16 and sent to Charles Clark, 1202 - 9th St., Moundsville, W.V. accompanied by fee of \$8.00 and percentage for all classes. Fee for Championship class is \$13.00. Phone 304-845-3109.

## An interesting horseshoe personality . . .

### Alvin Dahlene of Kansas

Alvin Dahlene's 57-year career as a competitor and promoter was capped last September when he was inducted into the Kansas State Hall of Fame.

Dahlene is a retired electrician of the Kansas University maintenance staff. He began his pitching life back in 1920 and has since set a variety of records which included the Kansas State Championship. His Hall of Fame achievement stresses his competitive efforts and his tireless promotion of the sport.

At the start he had three goals in mind, first to win the city championship, then on to win a state championship, and finally to be able to qualify for a world tournament. He accomplished all of these plus adding regional titles to his laurels. He was a long time holder of the Kansas record for ringer percentage in competition of 76.9 percent. He also tossed 41 ringers in 42 shoes for a percentage of 97.6 percent which still stands. During his pitching days he also put on exhibitions which included many trick shots of his own invention along with the regular shots.

He remarked that horseshoe pitching has come a long way since "grandpa" played the game in the barnyard. Today it is played on professional courts that cost close to \$50,000 in some instances, also the pitching shoes are all standard. To be a top pitcher takes ability, concentration and a lot of hard work.

#### **KELLEY WINS AGAIN AT TURLOCK (NO. CALIF.)**

Larry Kelley had a field day as he swept the Class D Open held at Turlock. His 37.7% average and high games of 44% were high for the tournament. Harley Harris of the host club placed second. Marc Desmond has started showing signs of coming around as a pitcher and won his first group over Paul Van De Veere in a playoff in the second group.

D-1 — Larry Kelley, Golden Gate, 7-0-37.7; Harley Harris, Turlock, 6-1-27.1; Joe Zogiman, Sacramento, 4-3-28.6; Bob Kays, Turlock, 4-3-25.7; Cruz Sagasta, Sacramento, 3-4-29.7; Ron Barnett, Tri Valley, 3-4-23.4; Richard Ennis, Stockton, 1-6-22.3; Robert Bendorf, Yuba Sutter, 0-7-10.3.

D-2 — Marc Desmond, Trl Valley, 5-1-23.3; Paul Van de Veere, Turlock, 4-2-22.7; Ray Mittelsteadt, Stockton, 3-2-28.4; Dareld Lambert, Sacramento, 2-3-17.6; Ralph Collins, Vallejo, 2-3-14.4; Dick Pawloski, Trl Valley, 0-5-14.0.

#### SANTA ROSA (CALIF.) CLASS A WON BY GOSNEY

It was a beautiful day to pitch horseshoes and Vern Gosney took full advantage of it by sweeping A-1. He averaged 62.9% and had a career high 75% game in the last round. Bob Hanlon was second losing to Gosney. Earl Compton defeated Clair Benthin in a playoff game for A-2 and Louis Montoya swept all his games for the A-3 title. Larry Kelley help from Ernie Kim the last round and got it and then went on to defeat Pat Moore in yet another playoff for A-4.

- A-1 Vern Gosney, Vallejo, 5-0-62.9; Bob Hanlon, Sonoma Co., 4-1-54.4; Lou Fontaine, San Jose, 3-2-55.2; Oscar Statham, Sacramento, 2-3-49.2; Arnie Peters, Sonoma Co., 1-4-40.3; Herman Schneider, Mosswood, 0-5-38.6.
- A-2 Earl Compton, 5-1-44.7; Clair Benthin, Vallejo, 4-2-45.2; George Greeott, Sonoma Co., 2-3-44.4; Juke Basham, Yuba Sutter, 2-3-36.9; Elmer Bradt, Mosswood, 2-3-36.3; Stewart Snyder, Sonoma Co., 1-4-34.4
- A-3 Louie Montoya, San Jose, 5-0-38.7; Harry Martinelli, Sonoma Co., 4-1-37.9; Lou Gayet, Sonoma Co., 3-2-33.9; Ernie Hall, Colusa, 2-3-29.3; Charles Rodriques, Sonoma Co., 1-4-28.4; Page Kesler, Sonoma Co., 0-5-23.7.
- A-4 Larry Kelley, Golden Gate, 6-1-30.0; Pat Moore, San Jose, 5-2-30.0; Ernie Kim, Mosswood, 4-2-30.3; Ben Yost, Vallejo, 3-3-29.3; Wally Waheotten, Sonoma Co., 3-3-24.3; Harold Bell, Sonoma, 1-5-22.7; Ralph Collins, Vallejo, 0-6-12.6.

#### **DES MOINES EXPECTING LARGEST WORLD TOURNEY**

#### By Sue Burns

The World Tournament Committee is working very hard to make the 1978 tourney the most successful and enjoyable ever. We are delighted to be hosting the "Ringer Classic" again in the heart of horseshoe country after an absence of 32 years. Because of the central location of Des Moines — at the crossroads of I 80 and I 35 — its ample facilities for accommodations, dining and recreation, we feel that this will be the largest tournament ever held.

During the past few months, the committee has assembled the brochure, made plans for all of the basic necessities for a good tournament in regards to the courts at both the Fairgrounds and Birdland Park. The schedule has been approved by the NHPA. Arrangements have been made in cooperation with the Hotel Savery for the NHPA Convention and the NHPA Banquet. We are pleased to announce that the Hotel Savery can accommodate 700 persons for the banquet. A delicious meal will be served to our guests at their table — thus no standing and waiting in line. Tickets for the banquet will cost \$6.50 per person and will include a full meal, dessert, drink and tip. A cash bar will be available. Music will be provided by U.S. Champion Glen "Red" Henton and his band. "Red's" band will also be entertaining us the first weekend of the tourney.

At the present the Hotel Savery has received around 40 reservations and the Housing committee has received numerous inquiries about motel and camping facilities. This is amazing concerning that for the northern half of the U.S. the pitching season is just starting. Please address any questions about housing to Chairperson Dianna Parker, 2440 NE 45th Court, Des Moines, Iowa 50317.

In addition to offering the best pitching in the world, we plan to offer the families several opportunities to visit the many places of interest around town — Living History Farms, Des Moines Center of Science and Industry, Des Moines Art Center, Riverview Amusement Park, and the Iowa State Capitol buildings and grounds are among the many places to see. The Hospitality Chairman is Walter Clark, 2616 Forest, Des Moines, IA 50312.

Our Publicity Chairman, Bill Roberts, has arranged several promotional items. Glen Henton and IA State Jr. Champ, Paul Roberts, were featured on Central Iowa television promoting the W.T. In the next few days Glen will put on a demonstration in the heart of Downtown Des Moines. On July 27th the Clydesdale Celebrity Horseshoe Tournament sponsored by the Fred Nesbit Distributing Co. and Anheuser-Busch will take place at the Iowa State Fairgrounds. 8800.00 will be donated to Muscular-Dystrophy in the name of the winning team. The Governor of Iowa, the Mayor of Des Moines, the 1977 State Ladies Champion and the 1977 State Jr. Girls Champion plus many local radio and television personalities will compete.

The horseshoe pitchers from around the country have been most generous with their donations to the World Tournament Fund. The Committee is very grateful to many pitchers for all their help.

The Des Moines Chamber of Commerce Convention Bureau has graciously donated \$10,000.00 in prize money. In addition, the Bureau has helped in countless other ways to make this a most successful tournament.

The World Tournament Committee, The Iowa Hawkeye Horseshoe Pitchers Association, The City of Des Moines, and the State of Iowa cordially invite all Horseshoe Pitchers to the 1978 World Tournament. Please plan to visit Iowa: The Horseshoe State In '78.

#### THIRD ANNUAL LAMAR, MISSOURI OPEN — JUNE 11

The third annual Lamar Open tournament will be held on the City park courts in Lamar, Missouri on Sunday, June 11. Classes D, E and F will start at 9 a.m. followed by Classes A, B and C at 1 p.m. Send entry fee of \$5.00 and ringer percentage to Bill O'Brien, 901 East 6th Street, Lamar, Missouri 64759. Phone 417-682-5887 or to Bill Moritz, Rte. #3, Lamar, Missouri 64759. Phone 417-682-5916.

#### **AGENDA FOR 1978 CONVENTION**

#### By Wally Shipley

If possible, we would appreciate if all State Presidents and Secretaries would discuss the agenda contents with your membership. This will enable you to instruct your delegates how to vote on behalf of your charter.

Another suggestion to ALL parties delegated to give reports to the delegation. PLEASE PREPARE YOUR TALKS IN ADVANCE, MAKE THEM INFORMATIVE AND AS BRIEF AS POSSIBLE.

If the above suggestions are followed, hopefully it will speed up the convention, which I am certain the delegates, non-delegates and guests would deeply appreciate.

- 1. Pledge of allegiance to the Flag Paul Thomas
- 2. Prayer Rev. Burgess
- 3. Recognize guests (including Joe Goldstein's report)
- 4. Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting
- 5. Approval, additions or corrections of the 1977 minutes
- 6. Reading of the financial report Donnie Roberts
- 7. Reports of officers and standing committees:
  - NHPA Officers
  - NHPA Auditor Jim Solomon
  - NHPA Regional Director Chairman Bob Graham
  - NHPA Hall of Fame Bernard Herfurth
  - NHPA News Digest Editor Ellis Cobb
  - NHPA Constitution and By-Laws John Walker or Wally Shipley
- 8. Reports of special committees and VIP's
  - Des Moines Horseshoe Club Officers
  - 1978 World Tournament Committee
  - NHPA Regional Director of Iowa Don Koso
  - NHPA and State sanctioned Leagues and Clubs Donnie Roberts

  - NHPA Publicity Committee Sol Berman NHPA Land and Building Fund Ed Domey
  - NHPA Historian Bob Pence
  - NHPA Women's Representative
  - NHPA Junior Girl's Representative
  - NHPA Junior Boy's Representative
  - 1979 World Tournament Representative
- Jukskei Report Pete Shepard 9. Memorandum of the President
- 10. Unfinished business
- 11. New business:
  - A. Shall we continue with Joe Goldstein?
  - B. Future World Tournament schedules including men's class championship groups
  - C. NHPA Hall of Fame nominations of the committee Bernard Herfurth
  - D. Misc. subjects
  - E. Bids for 1980 World Tournament
- 12. Report of good and welfare work
- 13. Election of officers:
  - Secretary Treasurer
  - 2nd Vice-president
  - 4th Vice-president
- 14. Adjournment

#### ANNUAL ILLINOIS STATE TOURNAMENT — JULY 15-16

The annual Illinois state tournament will be held on the Centennial park courts on Kirby Avenue, two and one half miles west of the University of Illinois football stadium, in Champaign, Illinois. Directions are as follows:

Interstate 74 exit south on Prospect Avenue to Kirby Avenue, turn right (west) to Holiday Park Drive.

Interstate 57 exit east on University Avenue to Mattis Avenue, turn right (south) to Kirby Avenue, turn right (west) to Holiday Park Drive.

Interstate 72 to Mattis Avenue, turn right (south) to Kirby Avenue, turn right (west) to Holiday Park Drive.

The Champaign club is hosting this annual affair and invites all bonafide residents of Illinois to participate. NHPA cards will be available at the courts. This is a NHPA sanctioned tournament.

Qualifying can be done for those living close to Champaign on Friday evening. Registration closes at 9:30 a.m. Saturday. Qualify till 10:00 a.m. Warmup time 15 minutes. Each player will pitch two (50) shoe scores taking their best 50-shoe score, for placement in the tournament. Entry fee will be \$1.00 plus a State and National card, costing \$6.50. Cash prizes will be awarded plus trophies in the Championship flight. Trophies ONLY will be awarded for the top three places in all the other classes. Pursuant to action taken at the 1975 annual meeting, the top 24 players will pay an additional \$5.00 which will be added to the prize money for the Championship flight

The top 24 qualifiers will make up the 3 groups of eight for the preliminaries, as has been the custom for the past several years. They will play a 7-game round robin, 50-point CANCELLATION style with the top four of each group going into the Championship flight on Sunday, July 16.

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#### ANNUAL ILLINOIS - (Continued)

The annual meeting and Hall of Fame committee meeting will follow the qualifying rounds at approximately 10:30 a.m. Tournament play will start at 1:00 p.m. Saturday afternoon. The Seniors, Juniors and Ladies will qualify on Sunday morning and play in the afternoon.

Motels available in the area close to the courts are as follows: Holiday Inn, 1505 North Neil Street, Champaign; Howard Johnson's, 222 North State Street, Champaign; Paradise Inn Motel, Route 45 South, Champaign; Ramada Inn, 1505 South Neil Street, Champaign; Studio Lodge Motel, 2205 South Neil Street, Champaign; Restaurants: Bonanza Sirloin Pit, 1201 North Mattis Ave., Champaign; Cambridge Inn Cafeteria, 403 North Mattis Ave., Champaign; Holiday Inn, 1505 North Neil St., Champaign. There are many other fine restaurants also.

Campgrounds — Tincup Campers' Park, Inc., Lake of the Woods Road, Rt. 2, Mahomet, III. 61853. Phone 217-586-3011. D & W Lake Campign, Rt. 4, Champaign, III. 61820. Phone 217-356-7733.

#### CARTHAGE, ILLINOIS SPRING OPEN — JUNE 17

The Carthage, Illinois Horseshoe Club will hold its annual Spring Open tournament at the Jaycee Park courts on the west edge of Carthage, Illinois on Saturday, June 17. There will be six classes for men and also a women's class. Three trophies will be awarded in each class. Qualifying score and entry fee of \$5.00 MUST be turned into Chalmer McClain, 717 Wabash, Carthage, Ill. 62321 by 9:30 a.m. on the tournament date. Phone 217-357-3427.

#### ANNUAL CASEY, ILL. CLARK COUNTY SHRINERS OPEN

The Clark County Shrine Club of Casey, Illinois will again sponsor the annual Casey Open tournament on the Fairview park courts in that city on the 4th of July. There will be six classes with three trophies in each class. All pitchers must be registered by 9 a.m. as the tournament will start promptly at 10:00 a.m. This tournament is a part of the annual Clark County Shrine Club fourth of July celebration with fun and games for all. Everyone is welcome to come and share in the fine hospitality of this southern Illinois community.

## CLEARWATER CLUB DONATES "BATTLE OF SEXES" FILM TO NATIONAL HALL OF FAME

In a letter dated April 24, 1978, CBS Sports, New York, granted permission to the Clearwater Horseshoe Club to purchase the Horseshoe segment of "Challenge of the Sexes" which was broadcast on CBS network on March 26, 1978. The Clearwater Club will donate the tape to NHPA at its convention in Des Moines in August for inclusion in the National Hall of Fame. A stipulation of the donation is that the tape be identified as an accomplishment of its Club Member Carl Steinfeldt who was a 1972 Hall of Fame inductee. Carl's decision to make Clearwater his permanent winter residence prompted the club to seek custody of the tape from CBS.

#### OKLAHOMA OPEN TOURNAMENT - NOBLE, OK. - JUNE 3

The annual Oklahoma Open tournament will get underway on June 3 at Noble, Oklahoma. Send entry fee of \$5.00 to Janet Walrod, 524 South 3rd, Yukon, Okla. 73099. Phone 403-354-3714.

## In Memoriam

The Mosswood Club of Oakland, California sustained a loss of one of its staunchest members in the passing of Earl Davis on March 28. He was a member of the club since 1952 and had served as its secretary and treasurer for a time. He also served as secretary-treasurer of the Northern California Association for 4 years. In the 1958 Northern California Championships he won the Class B title. In that same year he competed in the World Tournament held at Murray, Utah, in the Seniro division. It can be said that he was a great champion. Whether he won or lost he would always smile and say, "I'll get you next time." To his loving wife Tibbey and her family the heartfelt sympathy of the Mosswood club together with that of the Northern California Association and the NHPA is extended in their hour of bereavement.

#### CURLEY MEMORIAL OPEN — JUNE 24-25 — TOLEDO, OHIO

The Baker Curley Memorial Open tournament will be held on the Jermain park courts in Toledo, Ohio on Saturday and Sunday, June 24 and 25. It will be a sanctioned tournament requiring an NHPA card. Entry fee for Classes A and B will be \$8.50, all other classes will be \$6.50. Mail all entries with fee and percentage to Dal Dombrosky, 1013 Cresceus Road, Oregon, Ohio 43616 before midnight of June 18. Phone 1-419-698-1733.

#### ST. JOSEPH, MO. CLUB SCHEDULES TOURNAMENTS

The St. Joseph, Missouri Club has set June 25 as the date for the Annual St. Joe Open. On September 1-2-3 the annual Missouri state tournament will be held on the St. Joe club courts. The Midland Open meet is scheduled for September 10 at the same location as all other St. Joseph club tournaments. For information contact Jerry Griggs, 4702 Valley Lane, St. Joseph, MO 64503.

#### ADDITIONAL MOTEL LODGING FOR W.T. VISITORS

Following are additional lodging accommodations for those who are going to attend the 1978 World Tournament at Des Moines, Iowa, July 28 thru August 6.

Archer Motel, 5220 Hubbell, Des Moines, Iowa. Phone 1-5-5265-0368. Hawkeye Motel, 2701 S.E. 14th St., Des Moines, Iowa. Phone 1-5-5-244-8828; Mayfair Motel, 2316 S.E. 14th St., Des Moines, Iowa. Phone 1-5-5-2445510; Mir-A-Mar Motel, 6233 S.E. 14th St., Des Moines, Iowa. Phone 1-5-5-285-1180. Reservation by June 1. Motel 8, 5025 Hubbell, Des Moines, Iowa. Phone 1-515-265-0378; Gilbert Motel, 5100 Hubbell, Des Moines, Iowa. Phone 1-515-266-1166. Almost all of above require one nights rent in advance and check in by 5 p.m. Some have no guarantee in price.

#### FLASH - AS WE GO TO PRESS

World comes in from Jack Springer, Recreational Director for the city of Statesville, North Carolina that Carl Steinfeldt of Rochester, New York swept the 10th annual Dogwood Festival Open tournament held at the Lakewood Park courts in Statesville, N.C. He racked up 15 straight victories. Opal Reno upset Ruth Hangen to win the Ladies title while Lorna Reno won the Girls crown. Complete results will appear in the next issue of the Digest.

#### W.T. TROPHY PRIZES

Men's Championship — 5 trophies	Women's Championship — 4 trophies
Class B — 4 trophies	Class B — 3 trophies
Class C — 4 trophies	Class C — 3 trophies
Class D — 3 trophies	Girls Championship — 12 trophies
Class E — 3 trophies	Class B — 3 trophies
Intermediate Championship — 3 trophies	Boys Championship — 12 trophies
Class B — 3 trophies	Class B — 3 trophies
Class C — 3 trophies	Class C — 3 trophies
Senior Championship — 3 trophies	Class D — 3 trophies
Class B — 3 trophies	
Class C — 3 trophies	

All additional 6 group pitchers (any division) will receive 2 trophies in each group. This is in addition to all Special Trophies and Awards.

#### **CHANGE FOR PROGRESS**

#### By Sol Berman

The 1977 World Tournament was one of the best ever held. A 36-man incomplete round robin (26 games) were played. The final day was exciting. The top pitchers met in crucial games with many spectators present. The tournament ended early enough to hold impressive ceremonies. The schedule was arranged so that only 18 players (on 9 courts) were on the courts during the last three games. This gave all spectators a better opportunity to watch the games of their choice.

The May issue of the Horseshoe Pitchers News Digest contained the 1978 World Tournament schedule. A 35-game round robin endurance contest. The 35 games will be played in five days (there are only 7 days available). "Change doesn't always mean Progress."

#### 1978 N H P A Banquet

Hotel Savery Des Moines, Iowa

The following menu will be served to us seated.

#### MENU

Baked Ham with Fruit Sauce au Gratin Potatoes Green Beans, Almondine Waldorf Salad Rolls, Butter, Beverage Sherbet Cost \$6.50

There will be a Free Drawing for the Door Prize. We can handle only 700 persons. Reservations can be obtained by writing to: Banquet Chairman, Glenn Rouse, 1614-19th St. Place, West Des Moines, Iowa 50265.

#### PERL "PEP" PEPPLE STANDS TALL IN KANSAS

Perl "Pep" Pepple of Topeka, Kansas never laid any claim to being a great horseshoe pitcher having pitched most of his games in the Class B division. He was however, a great organizer and promoter. He knew how to run and conduct a tournament and spent many years with Topeka club and also the American Legion tournaments.

"Pep" organized clubs, contacted TV stations, radio and newspapers. He provided scorekeepers, handled monies, and took care of the handling of trophies. He worked with tireless spirit in keeping the courts in tip top shape and kept all facets of the game moving along smoothly.

Any player could count on "Pep" for help and encouragement.

Aside from being involved with horseshoes, "Pep" is a professional penman and has won many awards for his skill in penmanship and his script work in design.

#### TOPEKA, KANSAS CLUB SETS TOURNAMENT DATES

On July 16, the annual Sunflower Open tournament will be held at the Gage Park courts in Topeka, Kansas. On August 20 the Regional Club tournaments will be held on the Gage Park courts. All tournaments start at 9 a.m. sharp. Send ringer percentages to Harold Hutcheson, 904 Medford, Topeka, Kansas 66606. Phone 913-232-3719.



#### BARTLEY TURNS ON HEAT — WINS ORANGE CTY. (FLA.) OPEN

New names, new leaders were the news at Orlando's fourth tournament of the winter season, March 31 and April (converted into a two-day meet as result of the proved popularity of that area in earlier tournaments).

Floyd Bartley of Pontiac, Mich. and winter resident of Bradenton moved to the top in Class A over 1977 Florida State Champion, John Rademacher and 1976 champion Levi Miller.

William Banovetz, a winter resident of Clermont, Fla. who had shown his mettle at the Orlando Open by taking first in Class D moved up to a first in Class B. John Leach, a new member of the Orlando Club, took first in Class C.

Red Benton of Plant City, Charles Warner of Avon Park, Claude Bostic of Spencerville, Ohio and Orlando, Bill Wallschlager of Rockford, Ill, and Al Senecal of Orlando, winners in Classes D, E, F, G, H respectively were all new to the top ranks in these classes in Florida this year.

Also making news, though not a winner, was Opal Williams, first woman to test the 40-foot distance in Florida tournaments. Orlando Club members are proud of progress she has shown in just 5 months since she pitched a horseshoe for the first time, hope other women will try it.

CLASS A — Bartley, 5-0-70.4; Rademacher, 4-1-67.4; L. Miller, 3-2-68.9; Whitmer, 2-3-51.2; Stimer, 1-4-51.3; Lewis, 0-5-56.7.

CLASS B — Banovetz, 4-1-55.3; Scheub, 4-1-58.7; Morris, 3-2-51.2; Peterson, 2-3-49.6; Thatcher, 1-4-46.2; Gallant, 1-4-45.6

CLASS C — Leach, 5-0-47.4; Mullet, 4-1-45.5; Wrucke, 2-3-43.2; Reeb, 2-3-41.2; Baldwin, 1-4-42.3; Howery, 1-4-45.2.

CLASS D — Benton, 4-1-50.3; Ellenberger, 4-1-42.1; Gaudette, 3-2-40.0; Kiger, 1-4-31.9; C. Miller, 2-3-32.4; West, 1-4-28.2.

**CLASS E** — Warner, 7-0-43.7; Hilton, 6-1-47.1; Shilling, 5-2-37.7; Bogardus, 3-4-40.5; Nichols, 3-4-32.1; Anderson, 2-5-36.6. Harrison, 2-5-34.5; Walters, 0-7-28.7.

CLASS F — Bostic, 5-0-41.6; Fuller, 3-2-37.2; Ellingson, 3-2-27.2; Larson, 2-3-25.2; Fourman, 2-3-23.2; Hoyt, 0-5-23.2.

CLASS G — Wallschlager, 4-1-30.1; Berrall, 4-1-29.6; Halsted, 2-3-31.5; Rollins, 2-3-30.0; Trevathen, 2-3-22.8; Brown, 1-4-25.6.

CLASS H — Senecal, 5-0-26.4; Peterson, 4-1-15.6; Marsh, 3-2-26.8; E. Wallschlager, 2-3-24.0; Williams, 1-4-16.4; Blanchard, 0-5-11.6.

#### WALTERRAYWINSHERITAGENATIONAL OPEN — SUTTON, MASS.

California's Walter Ray Williams won the Heritage National Open at Heritage Recreation in Sutton, Mass, setting a new Heritage high game record in the process. For four years Ansil Copeland's 94% stood as the mark of excellence. In Game 3 Williams broke it with 96.4%. He finished the tournament only two percent off Carl Steinfeldt's record of 88.6%.

No less than thirteen of the 71 entrants set new personal marks. In the Women's class Barbara Potter not only pitched her best average, but all seven games were higher than any previous game. Vivien and Lisa Deuster set new tournament average and high game marks, with Vivien winning the class for good measure. Peg Degrenier also joined the "new high game" ranks.

Fran Norman won Men's Class 2 with 65.7% average and 71.4% high game, both new marks. Ray Peloquin's 71.1 was also a high. Class 3 was won by Lee Ashford with new high average. Gardner Alden won Class 4, with Ed Peck and Ray Degrenier setting new game highs. Ralph Lacerte won Class 5 for his fourth title in the last six tries. At the same time four players were doing a number on each other. Dick O'Brien pitched 57.9% against Bill McMahon, McMahon went 57.7% against Joe Szlosek, Dick Brown tossed 47.2% against McMahon, and Szlosek whacked out a 77.8% against Brown, all new highs of course! And this is the 30-35% bracket?

#### **HERITAGE NATIONAL OPEN — (Continued)**

Mike Desroches won Class 6 for his first win in over a year. Andy Dominique won Class 7 fairly handily. Some days you just write off. Two players, who shall remain anonymous, pitched perfect games, the kind you don't talk about very much. Although the means were not exactly noteworthy, Jim Gallant and Micky McNeill managed a 106 shoe marathon 35 pointer, for a new house record. It was on the strength of the six ringers in this game that Micky won the right to be Walter Ray Williams' partner the following Friday night.

CLASS 1 — Walter Williams, CA, 13-0-86.0; Normand Rioux, CT, 12-1-76.2; Joe Schultz, NY, 11-2-77.7; Art Tyson, NY, 9-4-70.0; Ed Domey, MA, 8-5-73.2; Bob Traquair, NH, 6-7-63.7; Paul Cormier, MA, 6-7-60.3; Willy Paradis, CT, 6-7-58.6; Bob Domey, RI, 5-8-74.8; Bill Saunders, NH, 5-8-62.2; George Trabucchi, CT, 4-9-58.7; Paul Schultz, NY, 4-9-56.1; Ron Prue, MA, 2-11-48.3; Bernard Davis, NH, Forfeit.

WOMEN — Vivian Deuster, NY, 6-1-43.9; Debby Michaud, MA, 5-2-76.1; Lisa Deuster, NY, 4-3-31.4; Barbara Potter, MA, 4-3-36.1; Barbara McNiell, MA, 3-4-23.2; Peg Degrenier, NY, 2-5-25.7; Elaine Prue, MA, 2-5-39.6; Janice Domey, MA, 2-5-42.9.

CLASS 2 — Fran Norman, MA, 6-0-65.7; Murland Bradley, CT, 4-2-51.6; Ray Peloquin, MA, 3-3-54.3; Charles Bonani, MA, 3-3-51.6; Joe Pepi, MA, 3-3-50.7; Mel Merritt, MA, 2-4-47.8; Walter Deuster, NY, 0-6-50.9.

CLASS 3 — Lee Ashford, NH, 5-1-50.9; Paul Dumont, MA, 4-2-48.9; Dick Shepard, MA, 4-2-41.5; John Layman, MA, 3-3-51.8; Karl Jernburg, MA, 3-3-48.6; Sam Raymond, NH, 2-4-48.9; Bill White, MA, 0-6-35.0.

CLASS 4 — Gardner Alden, MA, 5-1-41.0; Ed Peck, MA, 4-2-45.2; Bill Davis, MA, 4-2-43.1; Ray Degrenier, NY, 3-3-40.8; Bob Gokey, VT, 3-3-38.5; Jim Wyllie, MA, 2-4-39.4; Bill Dupont, MA, 0-6-34.7.

CLASS 5 — Ralph Lacerte, MA, 7-0-31.3; Dick O'Brien, MA, 6-1-38.0; Bill McMahon, MA, 4-3-35.4; Joe Szlosek, MA, 3-4-33.5; Harry Schricker, MA, 3-4-30.3; Bud Ploof, MA, 3-4-30.2; Dick Brown, MA, 2-5-27.0; Tony Nacewicz, MA, 0-7-19.7

CLASS 6 — Mike Desroches, MA, 7-1-22.7; Ed Harrington, MA, 7-1-31.9; Red Cote, MA, 5-3-29.0; J.H. Styles, NH, 5-3-26.6; Moe Farmer, MA, 5-3-25.5; Don Moreau, NH, 3-5-20.2; Reg Ploof, MA, 3-5-19.8; Charles Rutkowski, MA, 2-6-23.5; Chris Borglund, MA, 2-6-18.7; Al Doucette, MA, 1-7-20.8. Playoff: Desroches 37 (21.6%). Harrington 24 (18.3%).

CLASS 7 — Andy Dominique, MA, 8-0-30.6; Rick Taylor, MA, 6-2-27.6; Don Potter, MA, 6-2-20.2; Vern Shoemaker, MA, 5-3-17.0; Paul St. Pierre, MA, 5-3-13.8; Bob Perham, MA, 4-4-25.4; Bud Whitehouse, MA, 3-5-15.3; Mickey McNeill, MA, 2-6-9.1; Ed Hamilton, MA, 1-7-10.0; Jim Gallant, MA, 0-8-4.4.

#### MICHIGAN WATER-WONDERLAND CLASSIC SET FOR JULY 22-23

The Wolverine State Horseshoe Pitcher's Association-Water-Wonderland classic will be held at the Mitchell Park courts, Jackson, Michigan on July 22-23.

The national open classic, in its 16th year, will be hosted for the first time by the Jackson County Club. The tourney will be 1 month later than the traditional June dates in previous years. More prize money will be available to contestants than ever before, according to the tournament officials. One hundred (\$100) dollars will go to the winner of Class A over and above the regular first place prize. An extra \$25.00 will be awarded to the winners in all the other classes.

All Men's entry fees will be \$8.00. Those who qualify for classes A, B or C will pay an extra 3, 2 or 1 dollar fee. While the women will pay \$5 with those who play in A class, one dollar more

A and B divisions will consist of 12 man groups and will pitch both Saturday and Sunday. The other classes will be 8 man groups and will pitch either Saturday or Sunday. Women and Juniors will play in 6.

In case of an unusual number of entries, some lower classes may have to pitch 50 shoe games with the one point option. Mitchell Park does not have lights. If this contingency plan is necessary co-chairman Casey Moubray and Jim Compton will make the decision.

All registrations, entry fees and ringer percentage should be sent to: Casey Moubray, 1516 Centennial Court Yard, Lansing, Michigan 48910. Phone 1-517-694-4288. Mail deadline July 8. Phone deadline July 11.

#### ANNUAL HAGERSTOWN, ILL. OPEN TOURNEY — JUNE 10

The annual Hagerstown Open tournament will be held on Saturday, June 10 at Hagerstown, Illinois three miles west of Vandalia, Ill. on Route 140.

The first 32 paid entries will be accepted. Entry fee of \$5.00 must be sent to Harold Swofford, Box 102, Hagerstown, Ill. 62247 not later than Thursday, June 1.

Classes A and B will start at 10 a.m. SHARP followed immediately by Classes C and D. Three trophies will be awarded in each of the four classes.

#### **CHANGE FOR PROGRESS**

#### By Sol Berman

We waste 3-4 days each year in qualifying for the World's Championship. Pitchers have learned to dig a hole around the stakes and to elevate the clay behind and on the sides of the stake to increase their scores. Some have learned to select friendly scorekeepers. I've seen qualifiers receive as many as thirty unearned points depending on the scorekeepers.

About twenty-five years ago Lee Davis suggested an alternative to qualifying. The following is a modification of Lee's format.

'Deadeye' Williams lists the top 100 pitchers periodically in the News Digest. If he'd increase the list to 150 pitchers, the top 104 that wish to qualify for the championship class would be divided into 18 groups of 6 each. The top 18 pitchers would be seeded as no. one in each group. The 18 groups would play a round robin (5 games).

The first and second place finishers in each group (total 36) would form the championship class. 3rd & 4th places in each group would represent Class B. 5th & 6th places would be class

The format would eliminate dishonesty in qualifying. It would save one or more days and would produce a true Championship class.

#### **GALESBURG NATIONAL OPEN — AUGUST 13**

The Galesburg, Illinois Club will hold their 20th annual Galesburg National Open Tournament on the beautiful Lincoln Park Courts on Rt. 150, north of Galesburg, Illinois on Sunday, August 13th.

Clint Sjurset of Elgin, Illinois is the defending champion. He will be vieing for his second title. Entry fee will be \$8.00 for all players. There will be three Trophies in each class and all players will receive cash money. The top 64 players will make up this one day Tournament. Those not making the top 64 will have their money refunded.

Entry fee of \$8.00 plus a 100 shoe qualifying score should be sent to Ross Sornberger, 1904 Baird Avenue, Galesburg, Illinois 61401, not later than August 6.

Classes E, F, G and H will start at 9:00 a.m. playing 40 point games. Classes A, B, C and D will start at 1:00 p.m. and will play 50 point games. There will be refreshments on the grounds at courtside.

#### JULY 4th INVITATIONAL — GALESBURG, ILL.

The 18th annual July 4th Invitational tournament will be held at the Galesburg Horseshoe Courts at Lincoln Park, Galesburg, Illinois. On July 4th at 1:00 p.m. Entry fee will be \$5.00 plus a 100 shoe qualifying score by 12:00 p.m., on day of tournament. There will be six man classes and \$2.00 will be paid for each game won. Starting time promptly at 1:00 p.m. Coffee and cake will be free to all players.

#### **CHAPLAIN'S CORNER**

#### By Marvin E. Burgess

"Quo Vadis?" If I know the Latin rendering, this says, "Where are you going?" Good question for horseshoe pitchers as we approach the World Tournament dates of July 28-August 6. For my part, I plan to head for Des Moines, Iowa. It was on that same fairgrounds that in 1934, I saw my first championship horseshoe. It was in conjunction with the State Fair of Iowa. They staged a 16-man round robin. There were such horseshoe luminaries, as Frank Jackson, Guy Zimmerman, Charlie Davis and also three of Jackson's sons. The round robin wound up in a tie between Jackson and Davis. They were old rivals and interest was intense as they went into a three-game play-off. Each won a game and they went into the third game which built up to a climax with Jackson 49 and Davis 47.

The crowd surrounded the playoff court.

Now they went three-straight four-deads. This kind of horseshoe I had never seen before! Then Davis came back with another double and Jackson topped it with another, but his top shoe spun off, and Davis won! The playing we will see in Des Moines this year will make the Jackson and Davis performance seem like 'small potatoes', but it was good for those days.

Many will head for Des Moines in July, and they will come from all over our nation, Canada, and I understand, South Africa. There are two ways of finding the way to Des Moines, Iowa. A good map and a person who knows the way. "Quo Vadis?" "Where are you going?" This is the name of an old movie in which, I believe it was Bing Crosby who played the part of the priest. He raised a good quesetion for eternity. "Where are you going?" How will we know the way to that capitol city of Eternity? May I suggest a good map and a person who knows the way. Let the Bible be the guide-book and Jesus Christ the person and you are sure to make it home.

#### "KENTUCKY JACK" WINS SARASOTA, FLA. BEE RIDGE OPEN

Kentucky Jack Fahey came through with another win by capturing the Bee Ridge Open held April 8 in Sarasota, Florida. Class B winner was Joe Holland who came through with a fine performance averaging 65.2. Other winners were Morris Gillespie in Class C, Swen Bowman in Class D, and Bill Whaley in Class E.

CLASS A — Jack Fahey, 6-1-68.0; John Rademacher, 5-2-64.9; Floyd Bartley, 5-2-62.0; Ken Drury, 4-3-60.3; Levi Miller, 3-4-56.6; Paul Scheub, 3-4-56.4; Marv Richmond, 1-6-56.0; Leo Fitzpatrick, 1-6-51.3.

CLASS 5 — Joe Holland, 7-0-65.2; Duaine Whitmer, 5-2-59.2; Joe Steimer, 5-2-53.0; Dick Ferguson, 4-3-53.8; George Buskey, 3-4-46.3; Charles Ogline, 2-5-47.1; Henry Mullet, 2-5-46.3; Howard Lea, 0-7-46.2.

CLASS C — Morris Gillespie, 6-1-36.8; Red Benton, 5-2-43.2; Marion Collins, 4-3-43.4; Ken Reeb, 4-3-43.3; Walter House, 3-4-37.7; Louis Haley, 3-4-37.3; Rene Rodrique, 3-4-36.3; Fred Kiger, 0-7-23.4.

CLASS D — Swen Bowman, 6-1-39.4; Ronnie Ronemus, 6-1-36.0; Frank Stites, 5-2-44.8; Pat O'Toole, 4-3-36.8; Chris Miller, 2-5-37.7; Howard Fullerton, 2-5-32.6; Earle Johnson, 2-5-27.7; Ivan Gilman, 1-6-29.5.

CLASS E — Bill Whaley, 6-1-41.5; Jim Pelkey, 6-1-22.4; Percy Wells, 4-3-26.0; Milt Myhre, 4-3-24.0; Paul Barrette, 4-3-19.6; Lee Davis, 2-5-25.4; Norm Gaseau, 1-6-21.2; John Zehnder, 1-6-19.5.

#### YUKON BANKS OPEN, JULY 22, YUKON, OKLA.

Yukon Banks Open Tournament — July 22, Yukon City Park, \$400 cash prizes. The first 28 entries will be honored, all others will be returned. There will be A, B, and C classes. The tournament starts at 9:00 a.m. Ringers only type of play. \$10 entry fee with deadline of July 10, 1978. Rain date: July 23, 1978. Send entry and highest 1977 tournament average to: Harold Crist, 401 Mark Ave., Yukon, Okla. 73099. Ph: 405-354-3509. There will also be a Womens Class with \$5 entry fee.

#### FROM YOUR REGIONAL DIRECTOR DON KOSO

Horseshoe interest is gaining rapidly in Nebraska, and new tournament courts are being built all over our state, and a number of older courts are being expanded. The following towns and cities have expanded their courts: Crete from 16 to 20, Omaha from 8 to 12, Cozad from 10 to 14, Fairbury 8 to 18, Falls City 12 to 16. All these courts are lighted and hold tournaments each year. Lincoln has rebuilt to 24 lighted courts.

In recent years, Kearney has put in 12 new courts, as well as Valentine with 20 new lighted courts, Lexington with 18 lighted courts, Grand Island has 20 new lighted courts and host Nebr. state tournament in 1978, while Nebraska City has 20 new lighted courts and will host 1979 Nebr. state tournament.

Others having courts and tournaments are North Loup, Beatrice, Hastings, Pickrell, North Platte, Thayer, Benedict, Madison, Mason City, Hyannis, Juanita, Hastings, NewmanGrove, Scottsbluff, Sparks and Kimball. There are others I'm sure. So if you're in Nebr. and want to pitch, I'm sure you can find courts.

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The state tournament being held in Grand Island in 1978 will be on August 25 and 26. Being centrally located, it is expected to be the largest yet. In anticipation of this increase, changes in the procedure of qualifying has been planned, and at a special meeting of the Executive committee and Hall of Fame committee, the following plan of pre-tournament qualifying will be used. Selected horseshoe pitchers from all over Nebraska will be responsible for the gathering of the \$1.00 qualifying fee and the collection and verifying of the 100 shoe qualifying score. This should be done so that they can be to the State secretary week prior to the tournament date. Most all major tournament directors are responsible for this. Please supply your name, address & zip code to them. The plan is to start tournament play at 1 p.m. Saturday — break at 6:00 for the business meeting at 7:00 and begin pitching at 8:00 on Sunday.

Nebr. State Pres. is Max Leth, Grand Island, 1st Vice Pres. is Pat Hoblyn, Ansley, 2nd Vice Pres. is Darrel Earleywine Omaha, 3rd Vice Pres. Leonard Werner, Crete, 4th Vice Pres. Harlan Jensen, Mason City, 5th Vice Pres. Margaret Fox, Kilgore, Sec.-Treas. Al Rosenbohm, Lincoln, Publicity Chr. Glenda Amsbarry, Valentine.

The state of Iowa has had a hard working group of horseshoe pitchers for many years, but they continue to grow just as rapidly and have officers that are really reaching out the last few years. Woody Wilson, Pres., Bill Vandegriff, Fairfield, Vice Pres., Danny Sease, Des Moines, Sec.-Treas. Sue Burns, Des Moines, Editor of Newsletter Rev. Dave Shaeffer, Publicity Chr. of Des Moines and former Vice Pres. Marion Lange just to name a few. Couldn't possibly name all of them.

There are some 445 courts in 64 towns and cities over this state. Five of these have 12 clay courts. They are Boone, Burlington, Cedar Rapids, Davenport, and New Sharon. Two have 15. These are Ottumwa and Columbus Jct., Red Oak and Bussey have 18, and Muscatine has 28. Des Moines site of the World Tournament has 18 at the State Fairgrounds and 16 at Birdland Park. 1 will try to make as many tournaments in Iowa as I can. 1 will also be traveling in Nebraska.

Hope to see you all in Des Moines, Iowa and wishing you all more RINGERS around the stake in 78.



#### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION**

CLARK BELL OPEN — Newell Flann, Westminster, 7-0-65.0; Ronnie Simmons, Bellflower, 6-1-67.7; Arnie Mortenson, Glendale, 6-1-69.3; Hernan Standard, Orange, 4-3-57.7; Eston Brown, Anaheim, 4-2-61.5; Jim Weeks, Norwalk, 4-2-57.4; Ralph Randall, Barstow, 3-3-57.2; Louis Mahlstedt, Los Angeles, 3-3-52.3; Gene Strauss, Lomita, 2-4-50.3; Art Amador, Los Alamitos, 2-4-40.3; Louis Strauss, Lomita, 2-4-46.1; Earl Kerr, Anaheim, 1-5-46.8; Harold Slagg, Ontario, 0-6-42.1; Gale Sinclair, Santa Monica, 0-6-33.7.

BURBANK OPEN — Walter Ray Williams Jr., Chino, 3-0-71.4; Gene Strauss, Lomita, 3-0-54.8; Arnie Mortenson, Glendale, 3-0-50.0; Louis Mahlstedt, Los Angeles, 3-0-48.3; Newell Flann, Westminster, 2-1-51.2; Heman Standard, Orange, 2-1-44.4; Eston Brown, Anaheim, 1-2-47.1; Louis Strauss, Lomita, 1-2-35.5; Harold Slagg, Ontario, 0-3-39.4; Jim Dow, Burbank, 0-3-30.1; William Robb, Burbank, 0-3-26.8; Don Tutich, Alhambra, 0-3-18.7. Tournament called after three games. Rain, Cold.

HOLLINGSWORTH OPEN — Walter Ray Williams Jr., Chino, 6-0; Newell Flann, Westminster, 5-1; Heman Standard, Orange, 5-1; Ralph Randall, Barstow, 4-2; K. Garner, Nebraska, 3-2; Gene Strauss, Lomita, 2-3; Harold Slagg, Ontario, 2-3; Gerry Kloepfer, Yucaipa, 2-3; W. Ray Williams Sr., Chino, 2-3; Louis Strauss, Lomita, 1-4; Don Tutich, Alhambra, 0-5; Mike Savidan, Lomita, 0-5.

28% AND UNDER — Charles Abblett, Simi Valley, 7-1-31.6; Ross Faulkner, Huntington Park, 6-2-24.5; Wally Shipley, Orange, 4-4-25.9; Don Tutich, Alhambra, 3-5-19.7; Earl Kerr, Anaheim, 0-8-12.0.

BURBANK DOUBLES — Walter Ray Williams Jr. — Streck, 6-1; Walter Ray Williams, Sr. — Al Nichols, 5-2; Harold Slagg — Harold Sansbury, 5-2; Ed St. Pierre — Jim Dow — 4-3; Ray Downey — Mike Savidan, 3-2; Arnie Mortenson — Jim Denwiddie, 3-2; Louis Strauss — Charles Abblett, 2-3; Don Tutich — Herman Vollmer, 2-3; Hedge Alm — Jim Hudson, 1-4; Leslie Stewart — William Robb, 1-4; Newell Flann — Erwin Klessig, 1-4; John Commiskey — Gene Winkler, 1-4.

#### **TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION ORGANIZES FOR 1978 SEASON**

The annual meeting of the Tennessee State Association was held at the Tyson Park courts in Knoxville, Tennessee on April 4. Election of officers was held. The 1977 officers were reelected. T.R. Little, President and Dexter Stallings, Secretary-Treasurer.

Thirty-eight members were present. Five new members were signed up which indicates that things are looking up in Tennessee.

The Dogwood Arts Festival tournament was the order of the day and all took to the courts. It was a beautiful day for so early in the season. Gil Lebow set the pace for the tournament with a 5-0 record and a 70 percent ringer average. O.D. Lebow was runner-up followed by Roger Norwood.

CLASS A — Gil Lebow, 5-0-70.1; O.D. Lebow, 3-2-66.5; Roger Norwood, 3-2-66.1; Don Ward, 2-3-61.0; T.R. Little, 1-4-61.7; George Lewis, 1-4-59.9;

CLASS B — Grady Whaley, 5-0-50.3; Clifford Brown, 3-2-53.3; Dexter Stallings, 3-2-50.0; Jim Adkerson, 2-3-45.3; J.B. Wells, 1-4-48.1; John Walker, 1-4-43.6.

CLASS C — Jack Hammitt, 5-0-54.6; Carl Montgomery, 3-2-54.4; Lewis Beach, 2-3-49.4; Henry Self, 2-3-46.5; Paul Cogdill, 2-3-44.2; Mark Norwood, 1-4-46.2.

**CLASS D** — Dan Isaacs, 6-0-49.2; Charles Clowers, 4-2-39.9; Bill Arms, 4-2-37.1; James Brooks, Jr., 3-3-43.1; Carl Green, 3-3-35.0; Fred Gregg, 1-5-22.3; Ray Williams, 0-6-29.9.

CLASS E — Carl Miles, 5-0-42.9; Fred Campbell, 3-2-35.3; Lonnie Sunderland, 3-2-34.9; Frank Rhoton, 2-3-28.7; Bill Ward, 1-4-27.3; Steve Cornette, 1-4-24.6.

CLASS F — Donald Pritchard, 5-0-35.1; James Whaley, 4-1-27.7; Michael Hammitt, 3-2-14.9; C.H. Ward, 2-3-11.2; James Davis, 1-4-6.7; R. Arms, 0-5-6.3.

#### KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI OPEN — JULY 15-16

The Kansas City Open tournament will be held on Saturday and Sunday, July 15th and 16th on the courts at Belmont and St. John Streets in Kansas City, Missouri (behind Montgomery Ward store). Send entry fee of \$5.00 and percentage to J.W. Brown, 17241 Cerrito Drive, Belton, Missouri 64012. Phone 816-331-5760.

#### CHAMPAIGN, ILLINOIS OPEN - JUNE 11

The Champaign-Urbana Horseshoe Club has announced that \$50.00 first prize will be awarded the winner of the 1978 Champaign Open. Entry fee will be \$6.00, with an additional \$2.00 for Class A and \$1.00 for Class B. Three plaques will be awarded in each division. Deadline for entries is 9:15 a.m. the morning of the tournament; play starts for the lower classes at 10 a.m.

There will not be any qualifying on the courts. Pitchers are asked to bring a 100 shoe qualifying score or use past tournament averages whichever is highest.

Six 8-man classes will make up the round-robin schedule. There will be "once down" the 12 courts ringer only contest. There will be a small entry fee for this event. Cash prizes for top three places.

Courts are located at the southwest edge of Champaign on Kirby Avenue at Centennial Park (site of the 1978 Illinois State tournament).

Ray Martin, of Philo, Illinois, Harold Darnold, of Burlington, Iowa and Karl VanSant of Cayuga, Indiana, are past winners of the Champaign Open. For information on the tournament: Bob Fults, Seymour, Illinois 61875. Tel.: 1-217-687-5150.

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION

52% AND UNDER ASSOCIATION — Charles Abblett, Simi Valley, 9-1-34.8; Don Tutich, Alhambra, 7-3-26.9, Harold Slagg, Ontario, 8-2-50.0; Clyde Herren, Bloomington, 6-4-41.2; Walter Ray Williams, Chino, 6-3-42.0; Stan Dobson, La Mesa, 6-3-46.0; Thomas Buck, Sun City, 6-3-37.0; Jim Hudson, Burbank, 6-3-34.7; Earl Kerr, Anaheim, 5-4-41.3; Boyce Miller, San Clemente, 5-4-30.0; Ken Vickery, Riverside, 5-4-36.3; Earl Hogan, San Bernardino, 5-4-28.0; Ed Schroeder, San Diego, 5-4-47.6; Larry Ford, San Diego, 4-5-36.8; Lou Gesler, Brawley, 4-5-33.9; Don Mcallister, Colton, 2-7-22.5; Jim Dow, Burbank, 2-7-26.2; Ross Faulkner, Huntington Park, 1-8-24.0; Paul Aurand, San Diego, 1-18-17.6; Ralph Alvine, Chula Vista, 0-9-14.2.

CLASS "A" HANDICAP — Roger Zeller, San Diego, 6-1-46.3; Charles Tucker, San Diego, 4-3-50.8; Robert Hudson, San Diego, 4-3-56.4; Ed Schroeder, San Diego, 4-3-45.1; Heman Standard, Orange, 3-4-56.4; Newell Flann, Westminster, 3-4-57.9; Eston Brown, Anaheim, 3-4-48.9; Harold Slagg, Ontario, 1-6-41.2.

CLASS "D" HANDICAP — Gerry Kloepfer, Yucaipa, 6-1-47.7; Joe Holder, Yucaipa, 6-1-40.2; Farald Sutherlin, Lakewood, 6-1-40.7; Larry Ford, San Diego, 4-3-37.8; Thomas Buck, Sun City, 4-2-36.4; Wally Shipley, Orange, 4-2-29.8; Jim Mauney, Chula Vista, 3-3-32.9; Mal Williams, San Diego, 3-3-42.9; Lou Gesler, Brawley, 2-4-32.6; Richard Reinert, Lemon Grove, 2-4-33.8; Earl Kerr, Anaheim, 1-5-39.0; Jack Butler, San Diego, 1-5-22.4; Ralph Alvine, Chula Vista, 1-5-20.4; Don Tutich, Alhambra, 1-5-18.6.

JOHN WALKER DOUBLES — Charles Tucker — Jack Reinhardt, 11-2; Gerry Kloepfer — Lou Gesler, 10-3; Robert Hudson — Jack Butler — 10-3; Roger Zeller — Don Tutich, 8-5; Newell Flann — Paul Aurand, 8-5; Thomas Buck — Mal Williams, 7-6; Joe Vickery — Betty Mauney, 7-6; Richard Reinert — Farald Sutherlin — 7-6; Ken Vickery — Mike Vickery, 7-6: Warren Lloyd — Richard Wickens, 6-7; Stan Dobson — Wally Shipley, 5-8; John Walker — Ralph Alvine, 4-9; E. Walker — Craig Jacobs, 1-12.

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#### **COMING EVENTS**

une 25 — Annual Spring tournament, O'Fallon, Missouri. Limited to the first 48 players. 8 classes of 6 men each. Entries to Greg Marter, June 25 -90 Country Life Drive, O'Fallon, Mo. 63366. Pre

vious averages will be used.

June 23-24-25 — Marysville Open tournament, North Maple St. Courts, Marysville, Ohio. 6-man classes. 2 classes for women, 2 trophies per class. Entry fee of \$6.00 and percentage to Garland Glassburn, 137 First St., Marysville, Ohio 43040. Phone 513-642-0641. Deadline Satur-

July 15-16 — Annual Illinois state tournament, Champaign, Illinois. Full details to be announced later.

July 22-23 — Annual Michigan Waterwonderland Open tournament, Mitchell park courts, Jackson, Michigan. All entries \$8.00. Classes A, B, and S1.00 respectively. Send entries to Casey Mou bray, 1516 Centennial Court Yard, Lansing, Michigan 48009 with fee

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July 28-Aug. 6 — 1978 WORLD TOURNAMENT,
lowa state fairgrounds, Des Moines, Iowa. For
further information contact Danny Sease, S.W.

1229 Evans, Des Moines, Iowa 50315. Phone 1-515-285-0131.

Sept. 1-2-3 — New York State tournament, Dominic Sharkey courts, New Rochelle, N.Y. Contact William MacLeod, 12 Mt. Etna Pl., New York, N.Y. 10805.

N.Y. 1000. Sept. 3 — Second Greater Omaha Open Tourna-ment, Dewey Park Courts, Omaha, Nebraska, Send \$5.00 entry fee and 100 shoe score to Lorin Mills, 6328 North 33rd St., Omaha, Nebraska, 68111. Deadline August 28. Rain date, Sept. 4.

Sept. 4 — Annual Labor Day Open tournament, Bradle park courts, Peoria, Illinois. Contact R.A. Switzer, 2811 West James Road, Peoria, Illinois 61614.

- Annual Kansas state tournament, Linwood park courts, Wichita, Kansas.

Oct. 1 — Annual Fall tournament, O'Fallon, Missouri. 8 classes of 6 men each. Limited to the first 48 players. Previous averages will be used. Send entries to Greg Marter, 90 Country Life Drive, O'Fallon, Missouri 63366.

#### IOWA SCHEDULE (PARTIAL)

June 4 — Charles City Open. Contact Leo Marth, 1215 D. Street, Charles City, Ia. 50616. Ph.

1.515 - 228.3396.

June 4 — Boone Open (SANC.) Contact Harold Davidson, 1527 Monona St., Boone, Ia. 50036. Ph. 1-515-432-4596. Entry fee, Men \$5.00, Ladies, \$2.50, Juniors \$1.00.

June 10-11 — Holstein. Contact Chas. Schubert, Holstein, Ia. 51025. Ph. 1-712-368-4471 or Ray Lohff, Holstein, Ia. 50125. Ph. 1-712-368-2286. 50 shoes for \$1.00. Noon to 9 p.m. (one event) Cash prizes.

June 11 — Des Moines Family Tournament. Contact

Stuart or Sue Burns, 5804 Ingersoll, Des Moines, la. 50312. Ph. 1-515-279-7774. Bring Lunch. Entry fee \$3.00 per person or \$5.00 per family. Trophies only.

June 11 — Burlington Open (NON SANC.) Spring Warm-up. Contact Harold Darnold, 1503 Mt. Pleasant, Burlington, Ia. 52601. Ph. 1-319-752-5187. At Crapo Park. Trophies & Cash prizes. Register by 10:00 a.m. Entry fee \$5.00 Men, Ladies \$2.00, Juniors \$1.00.

June 18 — Muscatine Open (NON SANC.) Contact Ed Kaalberg, 1711 Isett, Muscatine, Ia. 52761. Ph. 1-319-264-1618. Kent-Stein Park. Entry 9:30 a.m. Start

10:00 a.m.

June 24-25 — Doc Rodda Memorial Singles at Alta. Contact Geo. Engelmann, RR, Storm Lake, Ia. 50588. Ph. 1-712-732-4162. Entry fee \$7.00 for 8 man and \$5.00 for 6 man. Trophies to all players. Send 100 shoe score by June 19.

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June 25 — Independence Open (SANC.) Contact
Walter Bantz, 719-3rd Ave N.E., Independence, Ia.

50644. Ph. 1-319-334-2230. At the Fairgrounds.
Register by 9:30 a.m. Entry fee \$5.00. Trophies.

June 25 — Red Oak Open, Contact Jan Fleming,
Minden, Ia. 51553. Ph. 1-712-483-2029. At Red Oak
Coulter Park. Send entry. Entry deadline is 9:30
a.m. Entry fee \$5.00, Ladies \$4.00, Juniors \$1.00.

July 1 — Bentonsport-VanBurne Co. Arts Festival July 1 - Bentonsport-VanBurne Co. Arts Festival

Open (NON SANC.) Contact Boyd Kisling, Rt. 1, Stockport, Ia. 52651. Ph. 1-515-796-4433. Trophies & cash prizes in each class. Register by 10:00 a.m.

July 2 — The Iowa Open at Des Moines At Birdland. Contact Ron Roberts, Box 284, Desota, Ia. 50069. Ph. 1-515-834-2678. Entry fee, Men \$5.00, Ladies \$3.00, Juniors \$1.00. Trophies & Prizes. Register 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Players pay 25 cents per game for scorekeepers.

July 4 — Toledo Open, Contact Ronnie Burgess, 404 S. Church, Box 8, Toledo, Ia. 52342. Ph. 1-515-484-5274. Entry fee \$4.00. (NON SANC.) Lower Classes 10:00 a.m. Upper classes in afternoon. Entry

deadline 9:30 a.m.

July 4 — Cedar Rapids Open (NON SANC.) Contact Harold T. Hughes, 1022-8th St. N.W., Cedar Rapids, Ia. 52404. Ph. 1-319-364-2829. At Ellis Park. Register by 9:00 a.m. Start 10:00 a.m. Send entry. Entry fee: Men \$5.00 & Juniors if possible \$1.00. 15 courts.

#### WYOMING SCHEDULE

June 24-25 — Cheyenne Open Tournament, Holiday Park courts. 9 a.m. each day. Entry fee: Men \$6.00, Park courts. 9 a.m. each day. Entry fee: Men \$6.00, Ladies \$4.00. No entry fee for Juniors. NHPA and state card to qualify. Contact Don Whitmer, 512 Montclair, Cheyenne, Wyo. 82001.

July 1-2 — Cowboy Open Tournament, Washington Park courts, 14th and Date St. Rawlins, Wyo. Deadline June 26. Fee: Men \$6.00, extra \$2.00 for scorekeepers. Men's and Ladies classes A and B

sanctioned. Contact Ken Raymond, Ferris Mt. Ranch, Lander Route, Rawlins, Wyo. 82301
Sept. 3-4 — Wyoming State Tournament, Holliday Park. Entry fee \$7.00, deadling August 28. NHPA

sanctioned. 9 a.m. each day.

Oct. 1—NCHPA A CHAMP—Sacramento
Oct. 7—NCHPA SENIORS CHAMP—Turlock
Oct. 15—NCHPA AA CHAMP—Mosswood
Oct. 22—NCHPA WOMEN & JR. CHAMP—San

Nov. 4-Annual Business Meeting-9:30 a.m.

Nov. 4—Annual Business Meeting—9:30 a.m. Party—7:30 p.m. Nov. 5—Turkey Shoot—Mosswood

Oct. 29-NCHPA D & E CHAMP-Stockton

Party 7:30 p.m.

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#### Coming Events— 50309 Continued NORTH. CALIFORNIA SCHEDULE NORTH CALIFORNIA SCHEDULE June 17—Class C—Turlock June 14—Gold Country OPEN—Grass Valley, Women and Juniors included. June 18—Gold Country OPEN—Grass Valley June 18—Class C OPEN—Vallejo June 18—Happy Father's Day June 24—Class A OPEN—Colusa June 25—Class C OPEN—Golden Gate June 25—Ole Hanson OPEN—Seaside lowa 957 Moines, Box P.O. Des Stat July 1—Class A OPEN—Vallejo July 4—TUES. Independence Day OPEN—San REGISTER Department of Tribune Co. Co. Jose July 8—Class B—Turlock July 9—Bill McNally OPEN—Tri-Valley (Money Tournament) July 15—Class B OPEN—Colusa July 16—Santa Rosa Fair—Santa Rosa (Money Tournament) July 22—Class B OPEN—San Lorenzo July 23—Class B OPEN—Hollister July 23—Class D OPEN—Sacramento July 29—Bill Weathers OPEN (Women and Juniors NDAY Address Circulation De Register and T Name OWN included) Stockton, Nite, 6 p.m. sign in July 28—Aug 6—World Tournament, Des Moines, 0 SU Aug. 5—OPEN—Turlock Aug 5—Women & Jr.8rio-Dell Aug 6—OPEN—Rio-Dell Aug. 6—Class E OPEN—Sacramento Aug. 12—Women & Jr.—Turlock Aug. 13—Class B OPEN—Vallejo Aug. 19—Pacific Coast Women & Jr.—Sar Aug. 20—Pacific Coast OPEN—San Jose Aug. 27—Grass C OPEN—Colusa Aug. 27—Grass Valley Fair (qualifying) AND 2 Tournament DAILY 9 SUBSCRIPTION -San Jose \$4.00 (Check or money of you'll receive the daily 1978. Orders Orders Aug. 27—Grass Valley I al. Valley Aug. 27—Class B OPEN—Hollister Aug. 27—OPEN—Mosswood (Money Tournament) MOINES July Registers ust 8, 1978 red by July ? Horseshoe Sept. 2 & 3—State Championships—Schi (Qualifying starts 9-1-78) Sept. 10—Mayor Douglas OPEN—Vallejo Sept. 16—Class D—Tri-Valley Sept. 17—NCHPA B CHAMP.—San Jose Sept. 24—NCHPA C CHAMP.—Vallejo Sept. 30—Harvest Fair—Santa Rosa 10 DAY through August must be secured Sunday

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#### **NEW YORK TOURNAMENTS**

ine 3 — Carl von der Lancken Open — New Rochelle-Dominic P. Sharkey Courts.

June 11 - NE-OS-CO Doubles Open. Entry fee \$8.00 per team. 50 shoe games. Entry deadline May 28. Cash & trophies. Submit ringer percentage per team member for team class position. You will be notified.

July 8-9 - NE-OS-CO Open. Entry fee: Men \$6.00, Ladies \$3.00, Juniors, none. Entry deadline June 25. 50 shoe games. Prizes of cash & trophies. Men's class A & B will pitch Sunday afternoon. Others to pitch Sat. or Sun. You will be notified of date & time. Send best ringer average, entry fee, name, address to: Paul Wilson, 7638 Erie St., Pulaski, N.Y. 13142.

Aug. 12 - Dominic P. Sharkey Mem. New Rochelle,

Aug. 12 — Dominic P. Snarkey Mem. New Hochelle,
 Dominic P. Sharkey Courts.
 Aug. 19-20 — Northern Open, Northern Horseshoe
 Club, Canton, N.Y. 13617. Raindate, following
 weekend. Contact Bob Taylor, 45 Goodrich St.,
 Canton, N.Y. Tel. 315-386-3622.
 Sept. 1-2-3 — New York State Championships
 Tournament, Contact Mr. William MacLeod, 12 Mt.

Etna Place, N.Y. 10805 (Dominic P. Sharkey courts, New Rochelle, N.Y.)

Sept. 16 — Joe Zichelle Open, New Rochelle, N.Y. Dominic P. Sharkey courts.

For the above three tournamens entries must be in a week before each tournament. Under 40%, starting week before each tournament, Under 40%, starting time 10 a.m., 40% and over, starting time 12 noon. Send all entries to Mr. William MacLeod, 12 Mount Etna Place, New Rochelle, N.Y. 10805. Please send your Ringer Percentage also.

#### EASTERN PENNA. SCHEDULE

July 1-2 - New Freedom Open Tournament, New Freedom, Pa. \$8.00 Entry fee and percentage to: Glenn Brown, RD #2, Felton, Pa. 17322. Phone 717-927-6997. Deadline 10 days prior to tournament. July 22-23 - York County Open Tournament, Shiloh,

Pa. \$8.00 entry fee and percentage to: Raymond Bechtel, 2210 Sycamore Rd., York, Pa. 17404. Phone 717-764-4065. Deadline 10 days prior to tournament.

August 19-20 - Pennsylvania Open Tournament, New Just 19-20 — Pellisyrvania Oper Individual Individual Comberland, Pa. \$8.00 entry fee and percentage to:
Daniel Beshore, RD #1, New Cumberland, Pa. 17070
Phone 717-938-2945. Deadline 10 days prior to

#### **GEORGIA SCHEDULE**

June 17 — Toccoa, Contact Charles Thomas. July 8 — Ringgold, Contact Jim Waters. August 19 — Toccoa, Contact Charles Thomas.

Sept. 2 — Georgia State Tournament, Ringgold, Contact Jim Waters

Oct. 7 - Alpharetta, Contact James Brooks,

For tournament information on the above scheduled meets, for Alpharetta contact James Brooks, 2100 Birmingham Road, Alpharetta, Ga. 30201, Phone 475-9320. For Toccoa Contact Charles Thomas, Rte. #5, Box 85, Toccoa, Ga. 30577, Phone 866-6242. For Ringgold, Contact Jim Waters, Rte. #2, Ringgold, Ga. 30736, Phone 935-2963.

#### **NEW ENGLAND SCHEDULE**

August 19-20 — Vermont State, Springfield, Vt. August 19-20 — Conn. State Lower Classes, New

Haven (Walter Mrozak, 95 Pleasant Dr., Hamden, Conn. 06514) August 19-20 Maine State, Portland (Dwight

MacVane, 45 Roberts St., Portland 04102) Sept. 2-4 — New England Championship, Keene, N.H.

(Cliff Whippee) Sept. 10 - MacDonnell Memorial, Norwich (James

(bbison) Sept. 10 - Franklin County Fair, Greenfield (Percy

Howe) Sept. 23-24 — Vermont Open, Springfield

Sept. 30, Oct. 1 — Middlebury Vermont Fall Roundup (Mike Bedard see June 17)
Oct. 8 — New Haven, Conn. Fall Classic (Walter

Mrozak, 95 Pleasant Drive, Hamden, Conn. 06514)
Oct. 14-15, 21-22 — Handicap Tournament of
Champions, Heritage Recreation Center. Entries to Russell Gadoury, 44 Edward St., Watertown, Ma. 02172. Class winners of above tournaments are

5, 12, 19 - Heritage Turkey Shoot (Heritage Recreation Center)

Dec. 10, 17 - Christmas Classic (Heritage Recreation Center)

Vermont Spring Roundup (Closed) Springfield, Vt.

June 10-11 - Mass. Open South Hamilton (Buster Johnson, 85 Perkins Ave., So. Hamilton, Ma. 01982) June 11 — Conn. Open, New Canaan (Frank Wagner,

1 Echo Drive, Darien, Conn. 06820)

June 17-18 — Father's Day Open, Middlebury, Vt. (Mike Bedard, RD #2, Box 65, Starksboro, Vt. 05487) June 24-25 — Maine Open — Lewiston (Roger Bolduc) June 25 — Tom Laurino Memorial, West Springfield,

Ma. (Ralph Forsstrom, 358 Wilbraham Rd., Hampden, Ma. 01036)
July 9 — Rhode Island Open Heritage Recreation

Center, Sutton, Ma. 01527

July 9 - Sam Bartram, Norwich, Conn. (James Ibbison)

July 15-16 — Keene, N.H. Open (Cliff Whippee) July 15-16 — Northern Vt. (Closed) Middlebury, Vt. (Mike Bedard see June 17)

July 15-16 - Southern Vt. (Closed) Bennington August 12-13 — New Hampshire State, Keene (Cliff Whippee)

August 13 — Connecticut State Class A, Lakeside (Joan Weik, Star Route, Lakeside, Conn. 06758) August 19-20 — Mass. State Heritage Recreation

Center (Route 146, Sutton, Ma. 01527)

#### NORTH CAROLINA SCHEDULE

June 18 -- North Carolina NHPA - 1 P.M. - Lakewood Park — Statesville, N.C. Only N.C. pitchers to qualify. S.C. Pitchers invited to practice.

July 4 — Winston-Salem 4th of July Tournament.

July 9 — Winston-Salem Singles and Doubles

Tournament.

ugust 6 — North Carolina Recreation & Parks Society Horseshoe Tournament. Location to be announced soon!

August 26-27 — Southeastern Horseshoe Tournament Winston-Salem, N.C.
Sept. 2 — North-South Tournament, Rock Hill, South

Carolina

September 9 — North and South Carolina — Warm Up Tournament for Statesville Autumn Horseshoe
Tournament. Lakewood Park — Statesville, N.C.
September 16-17 — 9th Annual Statesville Autumn

Horseshoe Tournament. Lakewood Park, Statesville, N.C. Qualify Saturday morning Tournament starts 1 p.m.

October 7 and 14 - Dixie Classic Horseshoe Tournament - Winston-Salem, N.C.

#### KANSAS STATE SCHEDULE

June 4 - Leavenworth. Director: Bill Chester.

June 11 — Wichita. Director: Paul Branine.
June 18 — Atchison. Director: Bob Booe (Tournament will be held at Leavenworth due to courts being

will be neid at Leavenworth due to courts being torn-up)
July 2-3-4 — Wichita. Paul Branine.
July 16 — Topeka. Director: Harold Hutchison.
August 13 — Leavenworth. Director: Bill Chester.
August 20 — Wichita. Paul Branine.
August 27 — Holton. Director: Lloyd Cattrell.
Sept. 2-3-4 — Kansas State Tournament at Wichita.
Director: Bill Chester.

Director: Bill Chester.

17 - Atchison. Director: Bob Booe (This tournament will be held at Leavenworth if courts are not repaired by this date)

Sept. 24 — Topeka. Director: Harold Hutchison. This is a doubles tournament only.

All tournament entry fees are \$5.00. There will be

entries for Men, Juniors and Ladies. All entries must be in the hands of the Director at least two days before the tournament. There are classes for everyone.

#### ARIZONA HORSESHOE PITCHERS ASSOCIATION PIONEER PARK, MESA 1978-79 SCHEDULE

Oct. 28 - State Tournament\* (100 Shoe qualification)

Nov. 11 — Bonanza Restaurant Open
Dec. 2 — City of Mesa Open
Jan. 20 — Valley of Sun Warm Up\*
Feb. 16-17-18 — Valley of the Sun\*
Mar. 17 — Snowbird Open
Entries close one week price to date

Entries close one week prior to date shown. Mail to: Ralph McCarty, Secy., 5334 E. Hermosa Vista Drive, Mesa, Arizona 85205. (602-985-1525)

Fees: \$3.00 (except \$7.00 for Valley of the Sun). There will be an additional \$3.00 fee for Class A only,

in the Valley of the Sun.
\*NHPA and State Membership (\$7.00) required.

#### MICHIGAN SCHEDULE

June 10 — Sturgis — B. Ubly (Tentative)
June 11 — Sturgis — A, Ubly (Tentative)
June 17 — Lake Orion — A
June 18 — Lake Orion — B
June 24 — Clinton — B, Ubly (Not Confirmed)
June 25 — Clinton — A, Ubly (Not Confirmed)

July 1 — Nashville — A July 2 — Nashville — B

July 3 - Nashville - B

July 4 - Nashville - A

July 8-9 - Michigan-Ontario Friendship at Wellsly,

Ontario

July 15 — Lapeer — A July 16 — Lapeer — B

July 22-23 — Water Wonderland at Jackson July 29 — Harrison — B July 30 — Harrison

Aug. 5-6 — Jackson M 46 — If agreeable with M46, Otherwise regular tournament "A" first day, "B" second

Aug. 19 — Sturgis — B, Ubly (Tentative)
Aug. 13 — Sturgis — A, Ubly (Tentative)
Aug. 19 — Dimondale — A
Aug. 20 — Dimondale — B

Aug. 26 — Lake Orion — B Aug. 27 — Lake Orion — A

Sept. 2-3-4 — State Tournament at Dimondale

B — Bottom Percentage Pitchers will pitch first
B — Bottom Percentage Pitchers will pitch first
Check In Time 10:00 A.M.

#### **ALABAMA SCHEDULE**

All tournaments listed will be played on the Braghan courts in Huntsville, Alabama.

June 3 — Rocket City Tournament (this is a general public, no membership, nonsanctioned general public, no membership, nonsellation tournament)
June 17 — 3rd North Alabama Regional open
July 15 — High Temp Open
August 12 — Alabama State Championship
Sept. 16 — Madison County Championship
October 14 — Cotton Picken Open

Send entries to:

Navace Lee, Sec., 3200 Berkley, Huntsville, AL

Marion Price. Pres. 3913 9th, Huntsville, AL 35805 Gary Floyd, VP, 2014 Rodgers, ne H'ville 35811 Ose Veesey, 3214 Bayless Dr., H'ville, AL 35805 J. Johnson, VP, Hillsboro Rd., H'ville, AL 35805

#### NEW MEXICO SCHEDULE

June 17-18 - Albuquerque City Championships-

Los Altos Courts.

July 22-23 — Los Altos Open. NHPA sanctioned.

August 19-20 — Parker Burns Doubles-Los Altos

Courts. Sept. 2-3 ept. 2-3 — Ringers Only Tournament, State Fairgrounds State Sponsored.

Sept. 16-17 — State Tournement-Fairgrounds. NHPA Sanctioned.

Sept. 23-24 — (C. Saxton, Edgar Pulliam)
Oct. 14-15 — Howard Cundy Doubles-State Fairarounds.

#### WISCONSIN SCHEDULE

June 3-4 - June Dairy Week - Gene Schwaller, Box 191, Markesan, WI 53946

June 10-11 — Eau Claire Open — Gary Olson, 1903 Hoôver Ave., Eau Claire 54701 June 16-17-18 — Winnebagoland Open — John

Secord, 2123 Brown Rd., Fond du Lac, 54935 1-414-922-0080

June 23-24-25 — Goldendale Open — Ed Wing, W204 N11912 Goldendale Rd., Germantown 53022. 1-414-628-1484.

July 4 — Independence Day — Butch Meyer, Box 224, Oxford 53952

July 15-16 - Waukesha County Fair -

July 15-16 — Waukesha County Fair — Joe Costa, W25367 Crest Dr., Waukesha 53186. 1-414-547-3909 July 15-16-17 — Mideastern Wisconsin Open — Linda Liethen, 235 Kamps St., Combined Locks 54113. 1-414-788-1965 July 28-Aug. 6 — World Tournament, Des Moines, lowa — Danny Sease, 1229 S.W. Evans, Des Moines, IA 50315 1-515-285-0131

July 28-29-30 — Tobacco Days, Edgerton — Tom Sherman, Rt. 2, Milton 53563

- Eagle Open -- Mike McDonald, Rt. 2, Aug. 4-5-6 -Box 68, Betts Rd., Eagle 53119

Aug. 12-13 — Mountain Open — Swen Bowman, Rt. 1, Mountain 54149

Aug. 26-27 — Boyceville Open — John Brezina, Box

244, Boyceville 54725 Aug. 26-27 — Swen's Open — Swen Bowman, Rt. 1, Mountain 54149

Sept. 2-3-4 - Wisconsin State - Horseshoes, 199

Broadway, Berlin 54923 Sept. 9-10 — Sussex VFW -- Archie Johnson, N63

W24375 Main St., Sussex 53089 Sept. 16-17 — Sheboygan — Mike Heymanns, 2433 N. 22nd St., Sheboygan 53081

Sept. 23-24 — Wiener and Kraut Tournament — Jerry Punzel, R. 1, Box 259, Waterloo 53594 1-414-478-3328 Sept. 30-Oct. 1 — Oktoberfest, LaCrosse — Wally Schmeckpeper, 621 E. Avenue N., LaCrosse 54601 1-603-784-0368

For information about any of the tournaments listed above, a note to the contact person will place you on the mailing list.

#### **VIRGINIA SCHEDULE**

June 10-11 - Winchester Apple Capitol Open,

Winchester, Virginia.

June 24-25 — VA. State Doubles, Elkton, Virginia.

July 1-2 — Russell Robey Open, Buena Vista, Virginia.

July 15-16 — Hill City Open, Lynchburg, Virginia. Aug 5-6 — VA Cash Tournament, Elmont, Virginia. Aug. 19-20 — BOO Henson Open, Elkton, Virginia. Sept. 2-3 — VA State Singles, Lynchburg, Virginia. Sept. 16-17 — Raymond Frye Memorial Open,

Winchester, Virginia.

Sept. 30-Oct. 1 — Elmont Fall Open, Elmont, Virginia.

#### SODJA'S INDOOR SCHEDULE

June 11 — 38% & Above. July 9 — 37% & Below. July 16 — 38% & Above. Aug. 13 — 37% & Below. Aug 20 — 38% & Above. Sept. 17 — 37% & Below. Sept. 24 — 38% & Above.

Oct. — Anniversary Tournament. Detailed News

Letter to come.

Nov. 12 — 37% & Below. Nov. 17 — 38% & Above. Dec. 10 — 37% & Below. Dec 17 — 38% & Above.

All Tournaments are Invitational, but we urge all to make inquiries.

All Entries & Entry Fee of \$8.00 must be in at least 10 days prior to tournament date.

Location: Sojda's Indoor Horseshoes, 5818 East Main Road, Batavia, N.Y.14020. Tel.: (716) 344-0694 — Mon. thru Thurs. — 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.; Sat. & Sun. - 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SCHEDULE

June 4 — Sam Haigh Doubles, San Berdu. June 11 — South Gate Open, and F, South Gate. June 18 — G. Bennett Memorial (Club), Pomona.

June 25 — Gunnar Hansen D Open, Burbank.

July 1 - Semana Nautical, C and D Open, Santa Santa Barbara.

July 2 - Semana Nautical, A and B Open, Santa

Barbara.
July 9 — Class C Open, Orange.
July 16 — 44% and under, (Handicap), San Berdu.
July 22 — Elmer Beller Open, Classes B, C, and D, South Gate.

July 30 - Archie Gregson Doubles, Burbank.

August 6 — Pomona Doubles, Pomona. August 12 — Jerry Schneider Doubles, San Diego.

August 13 — Classes B and E (Handicap), San Diego.

August 20 - 36% and under (Handicap), South

Gate. August 27 — Wally Shipley Championship Doubles, South Gate.

Sept. 2-3 - California State Championships, South

Gate.
Sept. 17 — 60% and under, (Handicap), San Berdu.
Sept. 24 — 28% and under, (Handicap) Burbank.

Oct. 1 - Special Invitational, Pomona Fair, Pomona.

Oct. 7-8 — Barstow Open, Barstow.
Oct. 15 — Championship A and D, South Gate.
Oct. 22 — Championship B and E, South Gate.
Oct. 28 — Jesse Gonzales Doubles, San Diego.

Oct. 29 — Jesse Gonzales Doubles, San Diego.
Oct. 29 — Lowell Gray Open (Handicap), San Diego.
Nov. 5 — John Gordon Open, Orange.
Nov. 12 — Harry Morin Doubles, Pomona.
Nov. 19 — Women, C and F Handicap, South Gate

Park, South Gate
Dec. 2 — Annual Awards Dinner.
Dec. 3 — Annual Meeting.

#### WESTERN PENNA. SCHEDULE

June 3-4 — Spring Fling, New Castle June 10-11 — Dormont Open, Dormont June 24-25 — Eastern National, Erie

July 1-2 - Beaver County Open, Beaver (at Brady's

July 15-16 — North Western, Erie July 22-23 — Kinzua County Classic, Warren

Aug. 12-13 - Three Rivers Open, Dormont August 19-20 - All County Tournament

Sept. 2-3-4 — Pa. State Tournament, Beaver (at Brady's Run Park) Sept. 23-24 — Fall Round Up, New Castle.

Entry fee of \$8.00 and your highest percentage must accompany your entry 10 days prior to tournament date. There will be no refund of entry fee if you are unable to attend. All tournaments will be sanctioned so all participants must be a member of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association in good standing. Western Penna. Sec. Treas. Joseph J. Mancini 1025 Dewey Ave., New Castle, Pa. 16101. Please wear identifying shirt in all tournaments.

#### TOURNAMENTS DIRECTORS

- Clair Bruce, 119 Clenmore Blvd.,

New Castle, Pa. 16105 (412-654-9909)
Dormont — Mike Riedl, 2631 Broadway Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15216 (412-341-0168)

Beaver — Herman Boyer, 6195 Tuscarawas Rd., Beaver, Pa., 15009 (412-495-7598)

Beaver, Pa., 15009 (412-495-7598)

Warren — Orrie Pudder Jr., R.D. #3, Sugar Grove, Pa. 16350 (814-489-7849)

Erie — Glen Sebring, 3304 Harvard Rd., Erie, Pa. 16508 (814-868-3941)

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Jack Potter, 4040 Zimmerman Rd., Erie, Pa. 16510 (814-825-5497)

#### **OREGON SCHEDULE**

#### All tournaments are state and national sanctioned

June 3-4 — Lebanon Strawberry Fair Open; River Park, Lebanon, Preregister, mail \$4.00 to Charles Wendling, 39129 Fish Hatchery Dr., Scio, Oregon 97374, no later than June 1st. Men 42% and over and women pitch Sat. Men below 42% and Juniors pitch Sun. Reg. 9:30 a.m.

June 10-11 — Portland Rose Festival Open; Laurelhurst Park, Portland. Preregister Mail \$5.00, men under 50% and Ladies mail \$4.00 to Barry Chapelle 2716 S.E. 61st. Ave., Portland, Oregon It must be received by June 8, 10 n.m.

Oregon. It must be received by June 8. 10 p.m.

Oregon. It must be received by June 8. 10 p.m. Check in by 8:45 a.m. Sat.

June 18 — Salem Fathers Day Open, Bush Pasture Park, Salem. Preregister, mail \$4.00 to Ray Schiedler, 7862 Gallon House Rd., N.E. Silverton, Oregon 97381 before Thursday June 15th. Oregon Plaque System.

June 25 — Corvallis Open; Avery Park, Corvallis.

Register by 9:30 a.m.

July 1-2 - Oregon Cash Tournament; Open, Hermiston. Preregister, mail \$20.00 to Rick Rebman, P. O. Box 319, Hermiston, Oregon 97838 before June 28th.

July 8 — Territorial Days Open; Clackamette Park, Oregon City. Preregister mail \$4.00 to Norma Garrett, 4920 S.E. Rinearson Rd., Milwaukie,

Oregon 97222. Entry deadline 9:00 p.m.

July 15 — Greater Portland Limited; Laurelhurst Park, Portland. Portland area. July 16 — Willamette Valley Limited; Brush Pasture

Park, Salem. South-West Oregon only.

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July 16 — Baker Open Limited; Eastern Oregon,
Eastern Washginton & Idaho. Geiser-Pollman
Park, Baker. Check in deadline 9:00 a.m.
July 29-30 — LaGrande Open; Riverside Park,
LaGrande. Men below 38% & Women and Juniors
pitch Sat. July 29th. All others pitch on Sunday,
the 30th. Check in time 9:30 a.m. both days.

August 5-6 — Sandbaggers Open; Clackamette August 5-6 — Sandbaggers Open; Clackamette Park, Oregon City. Pre-register, mail \$4.00 to Norma Garrett, 4920 S.E. Rinearson Rd., Milwaukie, Oregon. Deadline Thurs Aug. 3, 9:00 p.m. Men 44% & above plus Ladies Class A pitch on Sat. All others will pitch Sunday. Plaque system. August 12 — Roseburg Open; Stewart Park, Roseburg. Check in by 9:30. Oregon Plaque

System. August 19

ugust 19 — State Doubles; Polk County Fair grounds. Rickreall, Ore. Residents only.

Sept. 2-3-4- — Oregon State Tournament; Laurelhurst Park, Portland. Oregon Residents Only.
 Sept. 10 — Salem handicap; Open, Bush Pasture

#### **NEVADA SCHEDULE**

**NEVADA STATE CLOSED — SANCTIONED TOUR-**NAMENT. Saturday, September 9th, 1978. Women 9:00 AM. Jrs. 10:30 AM. "C" Class 11:30 AM. "D" Class 1:00 PM.

Sunday, September 10, 1978. "A Class, 9:00 AM.
"B" Class, 11:00 AM.
NORTHERN NEVADA HORSESHOE PITCHING
CLUB — NON SANCTIONED TOURNAMENT.
Saturday, June 10, 1978. Women, 9:00 AM. "A" &
"B" Class 11:00 AM.
Sunday, June 11, 1978. "C" & "D" Class 10:00 AM.

Sunday, June 11, 1978. "C" & "D" Class 10:00 AM. Jrs. 11:00 AM.

NORTHERN NEVADA HORSESHOE PITCHING CLUB — SANCTIONED TOURNAMENT. Saturday, July 15, 1978. "C" & "D" Class 10:00 AM. Jrs. 11:00 AM.

Sunday, July 16, 1978. Women 9:00 AM. "A" & "B" Class 11:00 AM.

Tournaments will be held at Orvis Ring School located at 7th & Evans Avenue, in Reno, Nevada and pitching will be in clay courts. Pitching fee for all above tournaments is Men — \$6.00, Women — \$5.00, and Jrs. — \$1.00. Pre entry fee of — \$1.00.

#### ANNUAL GREENVILLE, OHIO RINGER CLASSIC — JULY 1-2

The Darke County Horseshoe Club will hold the prestigious Ringer Classic on Saturday and Sunday, July 1 and 2 at the Greenville City park courts and at the Darke County fairgrounds courts. (27 courts in all).

There will be 100 shoe qualifying for both men's and women's classes. No qualifying for the Junior divisions.

Entry fee for men and women will be \$8.00. No entry fee for Juniors.

Courts will be available for qualifying on Saturday and Sunday, June 24 and 25 from 12:00 o'clock noon through the evening and on June 28, 29 and 30 commencing at 5:00 P.M. Deadline for the sign-in for the Classic will be 10:00 P.M. Friday, June 30. ALL TIMES LISTED ARE DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME.

#### 1978 WORLD TOURNAMENT FRIENDS OF HORSESHOES

The Iowa Hawkeye Horseshoe Pitcher Members extend this opportunity for horseshoe pitchers throughout the country to help with our finances of the 1978 World Tournament in Des Moines, Iowa. There will be space reserved in the 1978 Brochure for these friends.

If you can help us please send whatever you can to: Mrs.Sue Barns, 5804 Ingersoll, Des Moines, Iowa 50312 and make checks payable to Treasurer 1978 World Tournament Fund. We thank you for your help.

#### Annual Hebron Open — Hebron, Ohio — June 17-18

The annual Hebron Open tournament will be held at the Hebron courts in Hebron, Ohio on Saturday and Sunday, June 17 and 18. Deadline for entries is June 10. Send entry fee of \$6.00 with ringer percentage to Lester Hite, 7915 Loudon Street, Johnstown, Ohio 43031. Phone 614 - 967-3978.

#### TREMONT, ILL. TURKEY FESTIVAL OPEN — JUNE 10

We're planning a big come-back for June 10, with six classes and a June 3rd deadline for receiving registrations. Playing will start promptly at 9:30 a.m. for B, E & F classes and at 1:00 p.m. for A, C & D classes. Send \$6.00 entry fee and 100-shoe score and complete address to Loren Gillespie, 208 N. Harris, Tremont, Ill. 61568. Players will be limited to top 48 registrants who will be notified. Trophies and cash will be awarded. Activities include: rides, mid-way, carnival, country store and lots of fresh hot barbecue turkey, so bring the family.

#### WYOMING, ILL. OPEN TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 25

After having been idle for awhile, the Wyoming, Illinois club will stage its Open tournament at the courts in Wyoming, Illinis on Sunday, June 25 starting at 9 a.m. Rain date will be July 2. The first 64 entries will be accepted. 100 shoe scores should be sent to Bob Porter, 909 Main Ave., Wyoming, Illinois 61491 Phone 695-4181. After 6 p.m. 695-5633. Classes E, F, G, and H, will start at 9 a.m. with Classes A, B, C, and D beginning at 1 p.m. Three trophies will be awarded in each class.

# 1978 WORLD TOURNAMENT Des Moines, Ia. — July 28 — Aug. 6

# 1978 World Tournament Hotel and Camping Reservation Application — July 28 thru August 6

Please fill in and mail to:

Dianna Parker, Housing Chairperson 2040 N.E. 45th Court Des Moines, Iowa 50317

The assignment of space will be on a "first come, first served basis." If the hotel Savery is filled, you will be assigned to a similar type hotel close by. Reservations will be held only until 6 p.m., unless a guaranteed arrival is indicated. Camping at the Iowa State Fair Campgrounds is also on a "first come, first served basis." There are spots for over 900 campers.

#### HOUSING INFORMATION: HOTEL SAVERY — Iowa State Fairgrounds Campgrounds -Single -\$20.00 Camping Spot - \$4.00 per night Double & Twin -\$24.00 Electricity & water at no charge. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Arrival Date \_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ Depart Date \_\_\_\_\_Time Guaranteed Arrival Yea No. State \_\_ \_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Number of rooms needed: Single (one person) Suite (one bedroom or two \_Double (two people, 1 bed) bedroom) \_\_\_\_3 or 4 people - beds or cots Twin (two people, 2 beds) Children under 16 FREE!!! Signature \_\_\_ Reservations for hotel will be confirmed by the hotel. Reservation for campng sites will be confirmed by Dianna Parker.



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