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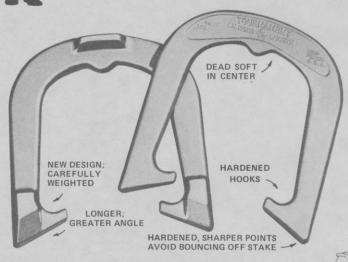
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NHPA'S PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Wally Shipley

Joe Goldstein's reply to my letter - published in the January issue.

December 11, 1978

Mr. Wally Shipley National Horseshoe Pitchers Assoc. of America 500 S. La Veta Park Circle Apt. 42 Orange, Calif. 92668 Dear Wally,

I appreciate receipt of your check for the expenses due us from the World Tournament.

Wally, I offer no debate with any point you fairly raise in your letter (Dec. 5). I know the sentiment expressed by the convention delegates at Des Moines last summer and that The NHPA Executive Council must have concrete, firm proposals from me before they will sign a 1979 contract with me.

I especially appreciate your expression of tolerance on the Jan. 1, 1979 deadline. Wally, I have had, several meetings on the subject of sponsorship of the Statesville, N.C. championship. It's possible I may have these sponsorships finalized by Jan. 1, but it is extremely difficult to get people down to the last bit of discussion this time of the year. Therefore, I would appreciate a dely of four (and no more than six) weeks. Of course, I expect no fee until these matters are definite, but it will take a little more time.

Progress has been made as you state, and the fact is I believe the progress of the past three years will now develop into something substantial real soon. It's not additional income I seek right now, but a little time tolerance to make us all very happy.

In addition to the sponsorship, I may succeed with television of the 1979 championship. It has been accepted, but I have not got it in writing from NBC. I hope to achieve this after the Super Bowl.

Wally, you are right in saying my assignment hasn't been an easy one, but I have not taken your payment lightly, as I know it represents a healthy commitment from the NHPA. But, please recognize, too, that there has been a steady increase in national recognition. The press and television attention has been very good over the past three years.

My thanks to you and a sincere wish for a Merry Christmas and a most Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Joe Goldstein

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE — (Continued)

Since it isn't costing us a penny to wait, your NHPA Executive Council has voted to give Goldstein a 6 week extension. After the letter we thought it was a fair thing to do. Besides I feel our "BIG BUSINESS NHPA ORGANIZATION" must keep an open mind.

On January 9, Donnie Roberts went to Statesville, N.C. to discuss and finalize the plans, responsibilities and duties with Jack Springer, city officials and other members involving the 1979 World Tournament July 27 thru August 6.

We have two new Regional Directors replacing two resignations.

Paul Gibson of Illinois replaces Vern Holland who resigned due to his wife's health. Paul's area is Illinois, Indiana and Michigan. His address: 30 Ridgeroad Drive, Centralia, IL 62801 - Telephone 618-533-4340.

Archie Roach of Texas replaces Bob Graham. As you know Bob had asked to be replaced as Chairman before going to Des Moines. Then he elected to also resign as Director. Archie's area involves Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana. His address: 2319 Fowler, Denton, TX 76201 - Telephone 817-387-1019.

With Paul's and Archie's background, knowledge and support of horseshoes and the NHPA I know they will perform their duties in an outstanding manner. Thanks to both for accepting. (Beware Lady Pitchers - Paul informs me he married in December and is teaching the wife to pitch horseshoes.)

On behalf of the NHPA thanks to Vern and Bob for their efforts, hard work and support toward horseshoes and the NHPA. It was a pleasure working with you both.

I had a real honor bestowed upon me at the Southern California annual meeting Dinner Award party in December 1978.

At the 1977 annual affair Jim and Emily Weeks personally started giving an annual awardpaid from their own pockets - Titled: "Jim and Emily Weeks Annual Sportsmanship Award."

In 1977 the two of them selected Fernanda Isais and Jesse Gonzales. The 1978 award went to Arnie Mortenson and myself. I was really surprised but highly honored and deeply appreciative. It's an honor I will not forget especially coming from Jim and Emily.

Thanks, Mr. and Mrs. Secretary-Treasurer of Southern California. You are both a real asset to our sport. On behalf of the sport and the NHPA thanks for all your efforts, hard work and support over the past 20 plus years.

Those interested, I have a new telephone number at work 714-972-6746.

DICK BELANGER, EDITH GADOURY, JANICE DOMEY WIN TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS — HERITAGE REC. (MASS.)

The 1978 edition of the Handicap Tournament of Champions held at Heritage Recreation Center in Sutton, Mass., had several new features. A Junior Division for the first time. A scoring system counting ringers only. Tie games. And, for the first time, two low-percentage players in the Men's Championship Game.

New Hampshire's Dick Belanger outdueled Bob Nugent of Massachusetts 16 ringers to 12 in their championship game to become the winner of the 6th annual Handicap Tournament of Champions. Dick put the match away with three consecutive doubles at 34-38 shoes. Until then the players had been trading single ringers with Nugent ahead 8 to 7. Both players put themselves in the championship game with outstanding pitching. Belanger entered the tournament with a ringer percentage of 26.0 (based on average of two highest tournaments). He averaged 39.0% in his qualifying round and 36.0% in the final round of eight games. Nugent, in at 26.4%, averaged 37.2% qualifying and 39.0% in the finals.

Edith Gadoury finished half a game ahead of Vivian Deuster and Donna McMeniman to take the Women's title. A tie with Mary Steeves and a last game loss to McMeniman were the only blemishes on her championship record. No records were broken but all contestants pitched near their entering averages—good, steady pitching and plenty of close games.

A last minute decision to conduct a Junior Division resulted in nine youngsters pitching. Two groups were arranged with the winners playing off for the title. Janice Domey, who had the hottest hand she has ever had, easily defeated Wayne Robinson 34 to 23 for the title. Janice averaged 66.4% for the day and 64% in the championship game. Until his loss to Janice,

TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS — (Continued)

Wayne had had a near perfect record, with only one game. Until his loss to Janice, Wayne had had a near perfect record, with only one tie to mar it. The Playoff battle for third place trophy was something else again. Greg Rutkowski battled Keith Howe even for 50 shoes. The handicap spread was such that a 12-shoe overtime was needed. Again they tied. Finally, after 74 shoes, Greg finished with a two-ringer marginof victory.

The tournament was again sponsored by St. Pierre Manufacturing Co., who contributed \$200 to the men's prize fund.

Several pitchers had outstanding days in the tournament. Art Tyson made the finals for the fifth time in six years. He came within one-half game of vying for the title. George Trabucchi hit his first 70% tournament is qualifying and 68.5% in the finals. To make the finals Charlie Bonani needed two playoff wins. His first was a smashing 82% game. His second was only 56%, but he pitched 78% for the last 30 shoes. Charlie may well be the best "double flipper" in the country. Harry Brown has had three 50¢% games in his life. Two of them (52%) were pitched against defending champion and current New England champion, Bob Domey. The second was a playoff effort. Domey needed an 88% to stop Harry, but came up short. Seven Vermonters entered. Five made the finals.

For the first time the tournament was played counting ringers only. Handicap was still 80%. The combination of 80% handicap and no one being able to score single points certainly evened out the competition. 56% of all games played were won by the higher percentage pitcher. Under the old (cancellation) system almost 60% were won by the higher average pitcher. There were 25 tie games out of the 323 that were played. In the past, three or four ties was the norm. It appears to this author that "Ringers Only" is the fairest way to play handicap events when the basis of handicap is a player's ringer percentage. Unlike count-all scoring, ringer percentage does not take into account a player's point-getting ability.

The purpose of letting tie games stand is that no fixed shoe limit for "overtime" is completely fair. The length of an overtime must be varied based on the ringer spread between the two players. However, positional playoffs did have provision for overtime. The number of shoes to be played was determined before the game was started. Some were "sudden death", others were as long as 12 shoes.

Our congratulations to all the contestants. You had to be champions to get there. Your games showed why you became the champions. Thanks again to Don Harrison for the use of his deluxe nameplates in the finals.

WOMEN'S DIVISION — Edith Gadoury, MA, 5½-1½-41.7; Vivian Deuster, NY, 5-2-54.6; Donna McMeniman, MA, 5-2-47.4; Althea Sevigny, NH, 4-3-47.7; Regina Tyson, NY, 3-4-32.9; Debby Michaud, Ma, 3-4-62.9; Mary Steeves, MA, 1½-5½-23.7; Pat Reekie, MA, 1-6-36.9.

JUNIOR DIVISION - Janice Domey, MA; Wayne Robinson, MA; Greg Rutkowski, MA; Keith Howe, MA.

GROUP 1 — Wayne Robinson, MA, 3½-½-52.0; Keith Howe, MA, 2½-1½-20.8; Sheldon Steeves, MA, 2-2-18.0; Lisa Deuster, MA, 1-3-37.0; Linda Pateneaude, ME, 1-3-57.5.

GROUP 2 — Janice Domey, MA, 4-0-66.4; Greg Rutkowski, MA, 3-1-36.0; Bob Deuster, NY, 2-2-59.0; Mark Bassett, MA, 1-3-29.0; Dick Shepard, Jr., MA, Pacer, 17-5.

MEN'S DIVISION - Championship Game - Dick Belanger 16, Bob Nugent, 12.

FINALS GROUP 1 — Dick Belanger, NH, 6½-1½-37.7; Art Tyson, NY, 6-2-75.8; Elmer Moore, VT, 4½-3½-37.4; Bob Gokey, VT, 4½-3½-42.8; Charlie Rutkowski, MA, 4-4-34.8; Charlie Bonani, MA, 4-4-57.8; Mike Donovan, NH, 3-5-55.8; Wes Pateneaude, ME, 2-6-32.7; Harry Brown, MA, 1½-6½-36.7.

FINALS GROUP 2 — Bob Nugent, MA, 7-1-38.3; Glenn McDonald, ME, $5\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\frac{1}{2} \cdot 52.5$; Al Hamel, MA, 5-3-45.6; George Trabucchi, CT, $4\frac{1}{2} \cdot 3\frac{1}{2} \cdot 69.1$; Wendell Burnham, VT, $4\frac{1}{2} \cdot 3\frac{1}{2} \cdot 33.7$; Bill Knowles, MA, 3-5-41.2; Pete Prouty, VT, 3-5-63.8; Bud Leavitt, VT, $2\frac{1}{2} \cdot 5\frac{1}{2} \cdot 35.5$; Val Tessier, MA, 1-7-20.7.

GROUP 1 — Wendell Burnham, VT, 6-1-33.1; Charlie Rutkowski, MA, 5-2-37.4; Rick Howe, MA, 5-2-61.1; Red Cote, MA, 4½-2½-34.3; Bob Howe, MA, 3-4-38.6; Bill Davis, MA, 2-5-50.3; Jerry Loconte,MA, 1½-5½-38.9; Al Doucette, MA, 1-6-26.3. Playoff: Rutkowski, 35 (38%); Howe, 31 (62%).

GROUP 2 — Mike Donovan, NH, 5-1-57.3; Bill Knowles, MA, 4-2-40.7; Rene Rodrigue, CT, 4-2-48.3; Paul Morrissette, MA, 3-3-26.0; Ed Bodinski, MA, 3-3-46.0; Bill McMahon, MA, 1-5-32.7; Tom Henley, MA, 1-5-30.0. Playoff: Knowles, 31 (46%); Rodrigue, 26 (52%).

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GROUP 3 — Dick Belanger, NH, 7-0-39.7; Al Hamel, MA, $4\sqrt{2} \cdot 2\sqrt{2} \cdot 42.3$; Ray Benson, VT, $4\sqrt{2} \cdot 2\sqrt{2} \cdot 44.9$; Angie Cieslak, MA, $3\sqrt{2} \cdot 3\sqrt{2} \cdot 52.6$; Bud Ploof, MA, $3\sqrt{2} \cdot 3\sqrt{2} \cdot 28.9$; Harry Schricker, MA, $2\sqrt{2} \cdot 4\sqrt{2} \cdot 32.9$; John Brown, NH, $1\sqrt{2} \cdot 5\sqrt{2} \cdot 30.3$; Jim Taverna, MA, 1-6-21.4. Playoff: Hamel, 25 (44%); Benson, 14 (28%).

GROUP 4 — Pete Prouty, VT, 5-1-65.0; Charlie Bonani, MA, 4-2-60.3; Bill Progen, MA, 4-2-42.0; Ed Courville, MA, 4-2-55.0; Chris Borglund, MA, 2-4-28.7; Gardner Alden, MA, 1-5-44.7; Reggie Ploof, MA, 1-5-19.0. Playoff 1: Bonani, 41 (82%). Courville, 22 (44%). Playoff 2: Bonani, 28 (56%), Progen, 27 (32%).

GROUP 5 — Bob Nugent, MA, 4-1-37.2; Harry Brown, MA, 4-1-42.4; Bob Domey, RI, 4-1-80.8; Bart Sargent, MA, 2-3-22.4; Paul Domey, MA, 1-4-42.8; Mike Desroches, MA, 0-5-19.2. Playoff: Brown, 43 (52%); Domey, 28 (56%).

GROUP 6 — Wes Pateneaude, ME, 5-1-35.3; Art Tyson, NY, 5-1-75.0; Ted Poisson, NH, $3\frac{1}{2}\cdot2\frac{1}{2}\cdot28.3$; Pete Sevigny, NH, $3\frac{1}{2}\cdot2\frac{1}{2}\cdot32.7$; Frank Wagner, CT, 2-4-36.0; Dick Shepard,MA, $1\frac{1}{2}\cdot4\frac{1}{2}\cdot38.7$; Charles Hanson, NH, $\frac{1}{2}\cdot5\frac{1}{2}\cdot25.3$.

GROUP 7 — Val Tessier, MA, $3\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\frac{1}{2} \cdot 26.7$; Elmer Moore, VT, $3\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\frac{1}{2} \cdot 36.3$; Andy Dominique, MA, $3\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\frac{1}{2} \cdot 32.3$; Bob Butler, MA, $3\cdot 3 \cdot 35.7$; Glenn Kenison, VT, $3\cdot 3 \cdot 28.0$; Walter Deuster, NY, $2\frac{1}{2} \cdot 3\frac{1}{2} \cdot 63.0$; Don Moreau, NH, $2\cdot 4 \cdot 27.3$. Playoff: Moore, 26 (52%); Dominique, 18 (32%).

GROUP 8 — George Trabucchi, CT, 6-0-70.0; Bob Gokey, VT, 5-1-48.7; Joe Schultz, NY, 3-3-75.7; Joe Guy, MA, 2½-3½-41.7; Ed Domey, MA, 2½-3½-74.0; Bob Martin, MA, 1-5-44.3; David Baillargeon, NH, 1-5-26.0.

GROUP 9 — Glenn McDonald, ME, 4½-1½-53.3; Bud Leavitt, VT, 4½-1½-37.0; Paul Schultz, NY, 42-64.0; Bob Traquair, NH, 4-2-69.0; Rick Taylor, MA, 2-4-30.0; Fran Norman, MA, 1½-4½-52.3; Moe Farmer, MA, ½-5½-21.7.

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CLASS A — Dennis Carlson, Ishpeming, 7-0-62.1; Bill Glass, Vesper, 5-2-61.9; Merle Olson, Appleton, 4-3-56.7; Carl Joppe, Green Bay, 4-3-56.1; Roger Poutanen, Wausau, 2-5-57.9; Ray Hill, Wakefield, 2-5-56.7; Rick Pritzlaff, G-town, 2-5-49.1; Wally Saeger, Ixonia, 2-5-43.7.

CLASS B — Randy Bestul, Rosholt, 7-0-50; Harold Bestul, Rosholt, 6-1-59.3; Don Kangas, Gwinn, Mich., 4-3-55.3; Joe Helbling, Waukegan, 3-4-49.5; Dick Foelz, Saumico, 3-4-47.2; Merle Cooper, Shawano, 2-5-48.9; Steven Morris, Mass., Mi., 2-5-46.2; Frank Frankowiak, Shawano, 1-6-39.7.

CLASS C — Ken Smith, Escanaba, 6-1-55.9; Joe Gerrits, Appleton, 5-2-46.7; Arnie Christianson, G-B, 5-2-43.8; Norb Gossens, Neenah, 4-3-47.7; Kent Anderson, Eau Claire, 4-3-46.1; Gene Mason, Appleton, 2-5-41.0; Francis Beauchamp, Flor., 1-6-33.2; Roger Weaver., Wis. Rapids, 1-6-31.2.

CLASS D — Alden Vanlten, Green Bay, 6-1-38.5; Jarl Kivela, Negaunee, 5-2-47.1; Al Hanold, Green Bay, 5-2-48.0; Wes Taylor, West Bend, 4-3-39.4; Wally Michaels, Fredonia, 3-4-43.2; Russel Robitaille, Escan, 3-4-38.7; Carrol Boldt, Fond du Lac, 2-5-41.9; Al Brouillette, Milw, 0-7-22.0.

CLASS E — Royce Wrucke, Horicon, 7-0-44.8; Wally Srenaski, Green Bay, 5-2-40.7; Otis Wessley, Green Bay, 4-3-43.6; Waino Mattson, Ontonag, 4-3-38.7; Punt Laabs, Oconomowoc, 4-3-33.5; Richard McGinnes, W. Bend, 3-4-36.3; Francis Smith, Escanaba, 1-6-28.0; Mark Stutleen, Gwinn, Mi., 0-7-23.0.

CLASS F — Jerry Rechek, Fond du Lac, 6-1-44.6; Harry Johnson, Milwaukee, 5-2-41.9; Harvey Beem, Escanaba, 5-2-38.9; Joe Dubnicka, Sussex, 4-3-39.8; John Meyer, Fond du Lac, 4-3-37.2; Archie Johnson, Sussex, 2-5-27.9; Mike Mattson, Ontonagon, 2-5-26.0.

CLASS G — Rick Liss, Pulaski, 6·1·43.6; Clarence Polcyinski, Pulaski, 6·1·47.2; Joe Dollevoet, C. Locks, 4·3·40.8; Jeff Hendricks, De Pere, 3·4·37.5; Stan Berndt, C. Locks, 3·4·35.4; Jack Trepanier, Oconto, 3·4·34.3; John Secord, Fond du Lac, 2·5·39.7; Norb Hendricks, Green Bay, 1·7·32.5.

CLASS H — Don Smith, Escanaba, 5-2-39.0; Jim Berg, Green Bay, 5-2-35.5; Gary Bloedorn, Fond du Lac, 5-2-35.6; Ernie Sebanek, Green Bay, 4-3-36.8; Edw. Crockett, Milwaukee, 3-4-30.9; Al McGowan, Milwaukee, 3-4-27.5; Dave Klosterman, Ripon, 2-5-25.3; Ed Hartjes, C. Locks, 1-6-27.4.

CLASS I — Jim Redman, C. Locks, 7-0-35.3; Jim Poquette, Hubertus, 5-2-31.7; Jules Paluch, Oconto, 4-3-30.3; Del Phillips, Laona, 4-3-29.6; Ron Pritzlaff, G-Town, 4-3-29.2; Neil Bloemer, De Pere, 3-4-30.7; John Miller, Fond du Lac, 1-6-24.0; Gabby Appleman, Fond du Lac, 0-7-19.0.

CLASS J — Daryl Guenther, Marshfield, 6-1-37.5; Dick Engman, Marshfield, 5-2-36.0; Ed Schuetz, Milwaukee, 5-2-41.4; Steve Wiegert, Green Bay, 5-2-32.5; Jim King, Green Bay, 4-3-36.0; C.L. Ollerman, Fond du Lac, 2-5-25.0; Art Winkleman, Laona, 1-6-27.0; Bernie Schuette, Green Bay, 0-7-35.0.

CLASS K — Jim Guenther, Marshfield, 7-0-30.3; Gordon O'Brian, Bryant, 5-2-34.2; Harold Lamers, Kimberly, 4-3-28.0; Ralph Schwartz, Fond du Lac, 4-3-26.0; Ben Stutleen, Gwinn, Mich., 3-4-19.6; John Johnson, Fond du Lac, 2-5-23.5; Frank Hanold, G. Bay, 2-5-22.5; Ronald Schell, Fredonia, 1-6-19.6.

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CLASS L — Marvin Guetzke, G. Town, 7-0-24.0; Harry Zuelke, C. Locka, 5-2-22.0; Jerry Punzel, Waterloo, 4-3-22.0; Mike Beauman, Gwinn, Mich., 4-3-21.0; Bob Eichstedt, Ripon, 3-4-27.5; Warren Bottlemay, Owen, 3-4-21.8; Larry Secord, Fond du Lac, 1-6-20.0; Laurence Suda, Owen, 1-6-16.0.

CLASS M — Tom Lindberg, C.Locks, 6-1-25-0; Elmer Bigfire, Green Bay, 4-3-28.5; Norb Nigbor, Green Bay, 4-3-27.1; Don Wagner, C. Locks, 4-3-30.3; Carl Mattson, Ger-town, 3-4-28.2; Ed Yankowski, Berlin, 3-4-23.5; Dave Punzel, Lakemills, 3-4-23.5; Bob Mattson, G-town, 2-5-23.5.

CLASS N — Robert Fiebelkorn, B-Dam, 6-1-24.3; Myron Woyak, Stevens Pt., 5-2-24.0; John Olson, Mountain, 5-2-24.0; Jim Moore, N. Fond du Lac, 4-2-23.0; Norbert Fox, Kaukauna, 3-4-22.0; Ed Ballwanz, N. Fond du Lac, 3-4-17.0; Doug Vine, G. Bay, 2-5-15.0; Ralph Woyak, Stevens Pt., 0-7-14.0.

CLASS O — Don Reitzner, C. Locks, 7-0-29-3; Chet Burton, Ripon, 5-2-22-0; Clarence Guenther, Marshfield, 4-3-21.0; Herb Jaeger, Fond du Lac, 4-3-12.9; Phil Hartman, Mountain, 3-4-15.0; Roger Bartnik, Mountain, 3-4-13.0; Harvey Zellmer, Ripon, 2-5-17.0; Ilgras Veldre, Jackson, 1-6-15.0.

CLASS P — Dick Mackay, Germantown, 6-1-13.2; Don Ferch, Marshfield, 6-1-13.6; Robert Bishop, Mountain, 5-2-13.6; Jerry Mattson, G-town, 4-3-15.6; Gary Leithen, C. Locks, 4-3-9.3; Robert Henkel, Horicon, 2-5-7.2; Bill Branstetter, Fond du Lac, 1-6-7.5.

LADIES A — Shirley Ballwanz, N. Fond du Lac, 6-1-35.3; Gail Dallman, Jackson, 5-2-40.3; Susie Pritzlaff, G-town, 4-3-37.1; Carol Schell, Fredonia. 4-3-33.9; Sue Hanold, Green Bay, 3-4-32.4; Gert Martin, Kimberly, 3-4-28.5; Lois Lamers, Kimberly, 2-5-36.7; Kathy McGinnes, West Bend, 1-6-23.9.

LADIES B — Vira Wiegart, Kaukauna, 7-0-36.8; Linda Leithen, C. Locks, 5-2-27.2; Vicki Zimmer, Fredonia, 4-3-26.5; Aura Rassmussen, Fond du Lac. 4-3-23.3; Toni Gossens, Neenah, 4-3-22.0; Sylvia Engle, Mountain. 2-5-24.0; Becki Micke, C. Locks, 1-6-18.8; Barb Leithen, C. Locks, 1-6-17.0

LADIES C — Geri Lamers, Kimberly, 6-1-22.2; Nancy Moore, Fond du Lac, 6-1-24.0; Shirley Mattson, G-town, 5-2-17.5; Vonny Reirzner, C.Locks, 4-3-18.0; Darlene Smith, Escanaba, 3-4-19.0; Alice Lindberg, C. Locks, 2-5-10.0; Linda Stutleen, Gwinn, Mich., 1-6-10.4; Lucy Mattson, G-town, 1-6-7.0.

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CHAMPIONSHIP 'C' — Louis Strauss, Lomita, 9-0-43.3; Gerry Kloepfer, Yucaipa, 6-3-40.3; Farald Sutherlin, Lakewood. 6-3-37.6; Jim Hudson, Burbank, 5-4-35.4; Chuck Abblett, Simi Valley, 5-4-34.5; Homer Vollmer, Santa Monica, 4-5-37.6; Frank Morales, Santa Barbara, 4-5-32.3; Art Amador, Los Alamitos, 3-6-34.9; Jim Dow, Burbank, 3-6-29.0; Bill Robb, Burbank, 0-9-20.8.

CHAMPIONSHIP 'B' — Heman Standard, Orange, 7-0-59.2; Ernie Knorp, Golita, 6-1-55.6; Ray Silva, Jr., Santa Barbara, 4-3-49.3; Gerry Kloepfer, Yucaipa, 4-3-46.3; Harold Slagg, Ontario, 3-4-33.9; Farald Suterlin, Lakewood, 2-5-43.7; Louis Strauss, Lomita, 2-5-43.1; Ward Berg, Garden Grove, 0-7-31.9.

CHAMPIONSHIP 'C' — Jim Hudson, Burbank, 7-0-35.9; Boyce Miller, San Clemente, 6-1-32.0; Bill VanSant, La-Puente, 6-1-28.8; Marlin Goodyear, Ventura, 5-2-29.6; Chuck Abblett, Simi Valley, 4-2-37.9; Jim Sutherlin, Lakewood, 4-2-31.3; Ray Silva, Sr., Santa Barbara, 4-2-27.0; Bill Robb, Burbank, 3-3-28.7; Don Tutich, Alhambra, 2-4-25.1; Harold Baughman, Burbank, 2-4-25.0; Jim Dow, Glendale, 1-5-25.1; George Farrell, Laguna Beach, 1-5-24.8; Ross Faulkner, Huntington Park, 0-6-17.5.

COVER PICTURE... Shown this month are the top pitchers in the Men's Class A division of the Ninth Annual Statesville, N.C. Autumn Open Horseshoe Tournament sponsored by the Statesville Recreation Department are shown in the above picture. First row from left, O.D. Lebow, 3rd Place; George Lewis, 5th; Roger Norwood, Champion; Wilbur Kabel, Runner-up; and J. B. Fuller, 4th; second row, Gurney York, Tournament Staff, John Rademacher, 1977 Champion; Levi Miller, Max Rosenberry, Robert Toney, and Jack Springer, Tournament Director. Third row, William Keegan, James Collins, Tony Norwood, Gary Austin, and Al Overdorf. Tommy Ballowe and Melvin Howard were not present for the picture.

MOTEL ACCOMODATIONS AT STATESVILLE, N.C. FOR 1979 W.T.

Listed below are the motel accomodations for 1979 World Tournament players and visitors. There are 629 rooms available. Room rates are listed along with the mileage from the Lakewood Park courts. The Chamber of Commerce will endeavor to have motel operators hold to the prices herein stated, however, rates may be subject to change. Campgrounds are also listed with mileage from courts.

Bolick Motel — 22 Rooms, 2835 Newton Drive, Telephone: 873-3103. Room Rates: Single, \$8, Double \$10. (2 Miles).

Cline's In-Town Motel — 25 Rooms, 1323 West Front Street, Telephone: 872-2748. Room Rates, Single, \$10.00, Double \$12.00 - 14.00. (\$4. extra per person) (1 Mile).

Days Inn — 122 Rooms. 710 Sullivan Road — Telephone, 873-5252. Swimming Pool; Room Rates, Single 16.88, Double, \$20.88. (\$3 extra for adults, \$1 extra through age 17). (1 Mile).

Hallmark Inn — 23 Rooms. U.S. 64 and I-40; Telephone: 872-2781. Swimming Pool, Room Rates, Single \$12.48, Double \$16.64. (2 Miles).

Holiday Inn — 100 Rooms. Highway 21, North. Telephone: 872-4101. Swimming Pool, Room Rates: Single, \$16.00, Double \$21.00. (\$4 extra per person) (1/2 mile).

Master Hosts Inn — 100 Rooms. 725 Sullivan Road — Telephone: 873-5236. Swimming Pool. Room Rates: Single, \$15.60, Double, \$21.84. (\$3 extra per person, Age 18 and under, free) (1/2 Mile).

Ramada Inn — 120 Rooms. I-77 at Highway 70 — Telephone: 872-5215. Swimming Pool, Room Rates: Single \$17.50, Double, \$24.00. (\$4 extra per person). (1-1/2 Miles.)

Scottish Inn — 104 Rooms. Interstate 40 — Telephone: 872-9891. Swimming Pool. Room Rates: Single \$12.48, Double, \$15.60 - 18.67. (\$2. extra per person) (1/2 Mile).

U. S. 21 Motel — 13 Rooms. 1415 Shelton Avenue, Telephone: 873-8062. Room Rates Single, \$12.48, Double, \$15.60 - \$15.60. (1 Mile).

KOA Campground — Amity Hill Road, Statesville, N.C., Telephone, 873-5560; 5 Mi. S. of I-40 & I-77 intersection, 1/2 mi. E. of U.S. 21 S. — 2 1/2 Miles.

Midway Family Campground — Route 4, Statesville, N.C., Telephone: 546-7615, 12 Mi. E of Statesville to Middle 64 & I-40. 12 Miles.

Old Water Mill Campground — Route 1, Union Grove, N.C., Telephone: 592-2902, 20 Mi. N.W. on Highway 115 - 20 miles.

Duke Power State Park - Lake Norman, Troutman, N.C., 5 Mi. W. of U.S. 21 S. (5 Miles).

Pier Marina Campground — Route 4, Box 217; Mooresville, N.C., Telephone: 663-4225, Hwy. 150 W., 4 Mi. off I-77. (5 Miles).

Cross Country Campground — Route 1, Box 68A, Denver, N.C., Telephone: 483-5897, Hwy. 150, 1-1/2 Mi. off Hwy. 16, 8 Mi. off I-77. (8 Miles).

Holidayland Campground — Route 2, Box 766, Denver, N.C., Telephone: 483-5746, 18 Mi. N. of Charlotte on Hwy. 16, (10 Miles).

Wildlife Wood Campground - Denver, N.C., From I-40 take St. Rt. 16 for 19 mi. L on St. Rt. 150. (19 Miles).

1979 W. T. ACCOMODATIONS — (Continued)

Bear Creek Family Campground — Mocksville, N.C., Telephone: 492-5154. W. of Mocksville on U.S. 64, W. of I-40 on left. (20 Miles).

Crazy Horse Campground - Box 90, Mocksville, N.C., 25 Mi. W. on I-40. (20 Miles).

Lake Myers Campground — Route 1, Box 90, Mocksville, N.C., Telephone: 492-7736, U.S. 64 W. 6 mi. of Mocksville. (20 Miles).

Tanglewood Campground — Clemmons, N.C., W. of Winston-Salem, 1/2 mi, off I-40. (25 Miles).

Lake Hickory Campground - Box 2348, Hickory, N.C., S.E. of Hickory off Springs Road. (25 Miles.)

OHIO TOSSER WINS NEWCASTLE, PA. FALL OPEN TOURNEY

CLASS A — Ansel Copeland, Akron, Ohio, 6-1-72.8; Buck Engle, Pittsburgh, Pa., 5-2-72.6; Jim Solomon, Uniontown, Pa., 4-3-77.0; Bob McKnight, New Castle, Pa., 4-3-69.2; Clair Bruce, New Castle, 4-3-65.1; Jack Rainbow, Monaca, Pa., 3-4-70.0; Joe Kuchcinski, Erie, Pa., 2-5-65.8; Casey Danner, Newell, Pa., 0-7-55.3.

CLASS B — Rich Maroni, Arnold, Pa., 7-0-65.2; Malvin Burkett, Falls Creek, Pa., 6-1-66.7; Lou Edmiston, New Castle, Pa., 4-3-62.5; Pete Vlachos, Beaver, Pa., 3-4-61.5; Chuck Semans, Pittsburgh, 3-4-61.5; Glen Sebring, 2-5-58.9; Dwight Daniels, Massillon, Ohio, 2-5-56.6; Bob Straitiff, Uniontown, 1-6-53.7.

CLASS C — Ron Kuchcinski, Erie, 5-2-60.0; Russ Welton, St. Marys, 4-3-56.0; Ed Sell, Osterburg, 4-3-55.3; Ed Blum, Darlington, 4-3-50.2; Vince Sedlacek, N. Kensington, 3-4-53.9; Ray Rugg, Mill Run, 3-4-53.2; Joe Pagnanelli, Bethel Park, 3-4-51.4; Frank Kilinsky, Pittsburgh, 2-5-54.3.

CLASS D — Chuck Roball, Pittsburgh, 7-0-62.7; Ray Slocum, Akron, Ohio, 5-2-56.3; Merle Brightshue, New Castle, 4-3-54.2; Harold Tuttle, Youngstown, Ohio, 4-3-49.5; George Fichter, Pittsburgh, 3-4-52.0; Bob Morris, New Castle, 2-5-55.6; Dave Baker, New Castle, 2-5-49.2; Carl Elder, New Castle, 1-6-48.3.

CLASS E — John Ellenberger, Chicora, 7-1-52.8; Pat Bonvenuto, Wellsville, Ohio, 6-2-56.5; Harold Boyer, Darlington, 5-2-49.3; Joe Roebuck, Uniontown, 4-3-51.8; Frank Kennison, Smithfield, 3-4-46.0; Andy Fecik, Ambridge, 2-5-44.0; Dick James, Wilkinsburg, 1-6-42.8; Cy Enders, Beaver, 1-6-35.5.

CLASS F — Ed Molitoris, Fredericktown, 7-0-39.2; Wilbur Rugg, Mill Run, 5-2-38.2; Ed Horneman, N. Kensington, 4-3-38.2; Henry Hanson, Rochester, 4-3-36.4; Mike Churley, Pittsburgh, 3-4-34.0; John Pelegrinelli, N. Kensington, 2-5-31.8; Ab Sutton, Uniontown, 1-6-26.6; Dave Pyle, Uniontown, 2-5-33.9.

CLASS G — Bill Meador, Youngstown, Ohio, 5-2-38.1; Bob Lapping, Beaver, 4-3-37.2; Kurt Von Kliest, Russell, 4-3-35.2; Harvey Hayes, Erie, 4-3-34.4; R. Allen, Niles, Ohio, 3-4-38.6; Homer Frampton, Garland, 3-4-34.4; Ellsworth Warner, Titusville, 3-4-32.9; John Williams, Ohiopyle, 2-5-34.8.

CLASS H — Dick Tunney, Glenfield, 6-1-33.6; Mark Savers, Beaver, 5-2-38.3; R. Senger, Erie, 5-2-35.3; John Tedrow, Beaver, 4-3-29.2; Merle Alexander, Titusville, 4-3-23.3; Ed Donawitz, N. Brighton, 3-4-23.3; Glenn Degitz, N. Kensington, 0-7 Forfeit; Bob Ream, N. Kensington, 0-7 Forfeit.

CLASS I — Tom Welch, Freedom, Pa., 6-1-24.3; John Ludwig, E. Liverpool, Ohio, 5-2-28.6; Wilbur Stover, Monaca, 2-4-10.0; Dud McDonald, New Castle, 0-6-14.6.

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NHPA SANCTIONED LEAGUE PROGRAM

A Progress Report, By Russell Gadoury

Hey, out there! You're missing out on a great deal! All except 806 of you anyway. 806 people pitched in NHPA Sanctioned Leagues last year. Where were the rest of you? The Sanctioned League Program was good enough for:

Tri-County Horseshoe Pitchers Association, Sauk Rapids, Minnesota. 175 played in five

sanctioned leagues, including two leagues with 68 women!

Greater Lafayette Area Horseshoe Club, Indiana. All 144 of them, in one league of 18 teams!

Denver Metro Horseshoe Club, Colorado. 69 happy hook and sliders.

Winchester Horseshoe Club, Virginia. 67 in two leagues, mens' and womens'.

Goldendale Horseshoe Club, Germantown, Wisconsin. 63. Five leagues.

West Side Horseshoe Club, West Springfield, Massachusetts. 59.

Twin County Horseshoe League, Orange, Massachusetts. 58.

Whetstone Horseshoe Club, Columbus, Ohio. 50. Two leagues.

St. Moritz Horseshoe Club, Quincy, Massachusetts. 39. Two leagues.

Heritage Recreation Center, Sutton, Massachusetts. 24. First league to obtain sanction.

Of all those league pitchers, 150 were full NHPA members. 656 obtained NHPA league membership cards. Since then quite a number of the latter have converted to full membership.

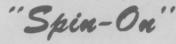
I have issued the following awards to these leagues:

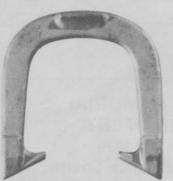
83 League Champ patches; 46 League Class Camp patches; 18 Player of the Year patches; 22 High Average patches; 22 High game patches; 17 High Game Handicap patches; 19 Most Improved Pitcher belt buckles or NHPA Pins; 90 10%-game patches; 117 20%-game patches; 111 30%-game patches; 11 80%-game patches; 190%-game patch; 3 perfect game patches; 806 Individual Certificates of Achievement. One league has yet to report, for individual awards.

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LEAGUE PROGRAM — (Continued)

league play ***Rick Howe, Paul Drowne, Ed Jepson***. This league played 50-point doubles games. Bob Domey, pitching in the Heritage Singles League in Massachusetts, had high sanctioned percentage, 77.3%, and high point average, 124, in 50-shoe count all games. My choice for most unique game goes to the player in the Tuesday Mens' League in Sauk Rapids, Minnesota, who pitched a high game of 39 points. What makes the game unique is that he had 15 ringers, 9 points, and 26 shoes out of the pit!

PROGRAM SUMMARY

The NHPA's Sanctioned League Program can best be summed up by a statement Bill Dickinson made to me a month ago. Bill is an officer in Massachusetts' West Side Club. Quote—When we discussed sanctioning at our spring meeting I was not completely in favor. But in the interests of solidarity among the officers I voted for it. When I saw the expressions on the faces of the players as they received their awards at our banquet, I became a believer! This program is great!—unquote.

To which I can add: You won't know until you try it once. In 1978 Donnie Roberts and I got most of the "kinks" out of the program. Let's make 1979 the year everyone gets their "kicks" out of it.

1979 is already "on the go." The Heritage Recreation Center Tuesday Singles League has sanctioned again. The Monday league will shortly. The Monongahela Valley Horseshoe Pitch ers Association of West Virginia has applied for and received their 1979 summer league sanction. Several other clubs in Ohio, Arkansas, and Florida have written for information on sanctioning. Who is going to be next?

It's easy to do. All you do is write to me, RUSSELL GADOURY, NHPA League Coordinator, 44 Edward Road, Watertown, MA 02172 (617-924-8068). I'll send you all the necessary information.

CHARLIE WEBB VICTOR IN ANNUAL CENTRALIA, ILL. OPEN

The sixth annual Centralia, Ill. Open tournament was won by Charlie Webb, of Cahokia, Ill. Tom Forsyth topped the Boys' division while Judy Wood won the Ladies' Class. A total of 75 entrants participated in this annual meet conducted by Paul Gibsn.

CLASS A — Charlie Webb, III, 6-1-60.8; Roland Wittlich, III., 6-1-62.8; Will McNeece, III., 4-3-62.6; Leo Schlosser, III., 4-3-59.7; Mel Carey, III., 3-4-52.4; Norman Siefker, III., 3-4-56.7; Leck Miller, III., 2-5-54.8; Will Courtwright, III., 0-7-46.9.

CLASS B — Ted Stottz, III., 7-0-56.3; Del Maroon, III., 5-2-48.5; Granny Palmer, Ind., 5-2-55.2; Jerry Wood, Ind., 4-3-49.3; H.B. Livingood, III, 3-4-49.5; Steve Denauht, III., 2-5-49.3; Joe Dauchant, III, 1-6-49.6; Rex Swinson, III., 1-6-39.2.

CLASS C — Wess Simmermaker, III., 7-0-51.5; Henry Franke, III., 6-1-52.7; Wendolh Savage, III., 4-3-49.1; Alvin Forsyth, III., 4-3-51.2; Chuck Walden, Mo., 3-4-40.0; Richard Berry, III., 2-5-46.0; Mel Dein, III, 2-5-39.2; Gene Puysoll, III., 0-7-41.9.

CLASS D — Chif Kollorman, III., 7-0-51.3; Gene Wittlich, III., 5-2-46.8; Elmer Knoboloch, III., 4-3-49.0; Gordon Hellman, III., 4-3-48.5; Darin Redding, III., 3-4-46.0; Dale Henry, Ind., 3-4-40.6; Ralph McIntosh, Ind., 2-5-38.1; Ray Myers, III., 0-7-35.6.

CLASS E — Dean Kleink, III., 6-1; Joe Cunningham, 5-2; Nick Alton, III., 4-3; Ken Towehl, III., 4-3; Roman Wilke, III., 4-3; Wilbur PUrsehl, III., 3-4; Gib Beckemyer, III., 1-6; Jim Woolf, III., 1-6.

CLASS F — Dave Minnert, Ind., 7-0; Rick Smith, III., 6-1; Marshall Roper, III., 4-3; George Roper, III, 3-4; Gary Wooters, III., 2-5; Gene Martin, III., 2-5; Leo Roberts, III., 2-5; Bud Huene, III., 1-6.

CLASS G — Doyle Maiknanz, Ind., 6-1; Chet Evans, Ind., 6-1; Gary Whitt, III., 5-1; Jim Deibort, III., 4-3; Clarence Deibort, III., 3-4; McIntyre, Ind., 2-5; Larry Hulskottor, III., 1-6; Don Wooters, III., 1-6.

CLASS H — Keith Korte, III., 7-0; Ken Korte, III., 6-1; Lester Frey, III, 4-3; Kenneth Klenik, III., 4-3; Jim Koret, III., 3-4; Walter Gramlich, III., 3-4; Jack Mathis, III., 1-6; Steve Jackson, III., 0-7.

BOYS CLASS — Tom Forsyth, III., 7-0; John Deibert, III., 5-2; Bryain Forsyth, III., 4-3; Fred Sligar, III., 4-3; John Maroon, III., 3-4; Robbie Morgan, III., 3-4; Dwyane Cunningham, III., 2-5; Greg Jackson, III., 0-7.

LADIES CLASS - Judy Wood, Ind., 2-0; Rose Gibson, III., 1-0; Dorothy Wooters, III., 0-2.

SNOWBALL OPEN - GREENVILLE, OHIO STARTS FEB. 10-11

For the fourteenth year the indoor "Snowball Open" Tournament, will be held at the Darke County Fairgrounds, sponsored by the Darke County Horseshoe Club. The tournament will be held on successive week-ends starting February 10 and 11, 1979 and last as many week-ends thereafter as entries require.

Courts will be open Saturday, February 3 and Sunday, February 4 for qualifying. Any pitcher unable to qualify on these dates may mail in his Ringer percentage. All entries must be received by February 4. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to place pitchers in classes as deemed appropriate.

The "Snowball Open" will be a sanctioned "Trophy" tournament. Trophies will be presented for first and second place finishes in each class. NO substitutions will be allowed. Entrants unable to pitch when scheduled will forfeit their entry fee. All entrants will be notified by mail when they are scheduled to pitch.

The two top classes of six men, "A" and "B" will pitch on Sunday, February 18.

The entry fee of \$6.00 must accompany your entry. With checks made payable to the "Darke County Horseshoe Club" and mailed to Fritz Worner, 150 Ridgeview Drive, Greenville, Ohio 45331.

The tournament courts are in the Darke County Fairgrounds on Business Route 127 and Ohio Route 49 South as you enter Greenville. There will be a lunch stand at the courts with motel and restaurant accommodations nearby.

ALABAMA "COTTON PICKEN OPEN" WON BY HARRISON

With the skies mostly overcast and the icy winds blowing across Brahan Springs Park, nothing could stop Elmer Harrison from Hamilton, Ohio. Elmer captured the Cotton Picken Open defeating of Otto Klauba of Hendersonville, North Carolina in a tie Breaker.

Championship Class — Elmer Harrison, 7-1; Otto Klauba, 6-2; Fred Betterton, 5-2; Don Jones, 3-4; Carl Baker, 3-4; Marion Price, 2-5; Bill Lamb, 2-5; James Johnson, 1-6.

"B" Division — Ose Veesey, 5-0; Preston Pettie, 4-1; James Harris, 2-3; David McGuff, 1-4; Huey Anderson, 1-4; Rickey Morgan, 1-4.

KAMMAN WINS MESA, ARIZONA PARKS MEET FOR THIRD TIME

CLASS A — Art Kamman, 4-1-53.6; Bill Kamm, 4-1-50.6; Joe Walker, 2-3-49.4; Fred Ash, 2-3-49.0; Byron Hafner, 2-3-46.2; Arnold Erickson, 1-4-41.0; Kamman won the playoff, 51-46.

CLASS B — Joe Reynolds, 5-0-42.9; Frank Green, 4-1-39.8; Mel Larkins, Sr., 3-2-41.6; Les Andrews, 2-3-37.7; Omar Blacketer, 1-4-35.5; Billie Bissell, 0-5-32.5.

 $\textbf{CLASS C} - \text{John Vitton, 5-0-41.9; Jim Randall, 3-2-34.7; Babe Johnson, 3-2-33.7; John Kronholm, 2-3-32.8; Bud Fenimore, 2-3-29.3.\\$

CLASS D — Paul O'Brien, 4-1-38.1; Asa Smith, 3-2-38.9; Buzz Linder, 3-2-38.5; Wilbur Andrews, 3-2-30.1; Walt Koziba, 2-3-33.5; Milo Bishop, 0-5-24.6.

CLASS E — Roy Gueck, 5-0-36.0; Wayne Reichard, 4-1-30.1; Ben Bajari, 3-2-31.9; Bill Velthoven, 2-3-26.5; Ray Halley, 1-4-25.2; Dachtler, 0-5-28.0.

CLASS F — Lloyd Wildman, 4-1-28.9; Wayne Jones, 4-1-32.5; Sam McRoberts, 3-2-30.6; Carl Thomas, 3-2-28.1; Harvey Snyder, 1-4-22.3; Wildman won playoff, 42-37.

CLASS G — Walt Kjellberg, 4-1-29.3; Fred Jordi, 3-2-28.0; Jim Thaanum, 3-2-26.1; Mel Larkins, Jr., 2-3-30.5; Elvin Luers, 2-3-26.9; Herb Markwardt, 1-4-24.6.

CLASS H — A. Baxter, 5-0-35.0; Lee Turcotte, 3-2-28.9; Francis Pinneo, 3-2-17.3; Larson, 2-3-26.6; Gordon Peirce, 1-4-29.7; Art Hall, 1-4-18.0.

CLASS I — Roy Sneller, 5-0-24.3; Murray Glennie, 4-1-18.6; Ervin Krause, 3-2-27.7; Wendell Roberts, 2-3-23.4; Doran Rhody, 1-4-18.8; Darwin Mercure, 0-5-8.1.

LADIES — Sigrid Jones, 5-0-37.5; Barbara Christianson, 4-1-27.0; Helen Erickson, 3-2-27.2; Lillian Lambert, 2-3-25.0; Carol Larkins, 1-4-10.7.

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Past Winners: 1969 Woody Thomas, High Point, N.C.,; 1970 Gurney York, Statesville, N.C.; 1971 John Rademacher, Plant City, Fla.; 1972 Jas. Burns (deceased) Chattanooga, Tenn.; 1973 John Rademacher, Plant City, Fla.; 1974 Roger Norwood, Knoxville, Tenn.; 1975 Wilbur Kabel, New Madison, Ohio; 1976 A. J. Nave, Greenville, S.C.; 1977 John Rademacher, Plant City, Fla.; 1978; Carl Steinfeldt, Rochester N.Y.; 1979 - ?????

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NORTHERN N.Y. OPEN TITLE GOES TO BOB SUTTON

A total of 118 horseshoe pitchers took part in the 5th Annual Northern Open Horseshoe Tournament held at the Canton Sportsmen Club grounds, Canton, N.Y.

Feature of this two-day event was Bob Sutton's 82% game against Gus Krause of Syracuse. Sutton of Mineola, Long Island, proved his ability to be among the top six pitchers in New York State.

Women contestants were exceptionally pleased with four new experimental courts built for their use.

MENS CLASS A — First Place, Bob Sutton, Mineola, Long Island, 7-0; Gus Krause, Syracuse, 6-1; Dick Carnahan, 4-3- Brockport.

CLASS B - First Place, James Lewis, Hudson Falls, 7-0: 2nd Place, Ernie Hilpertshauser, Ft. Edward, 6-2.

CLASS C - First Place, Baron Parker, Buffalo, 7-0; 2nd Place, Bruce Jones, Lacona, 5-2.

CLASS D - First Place, Tom Dawson, Canton, 9-0; 2nd Place, Walt Nieciecki, Syracuse, 7-2.

CLASS E - First Place, Brian Lewis, Hudson Falls, 6-2; 2nd Place, Dick Ellis, Potsdam, 5-3.

CLASS F - First Place, Pete Shortsleeves, Ft. Edwards, 6-1; Second Place, Sonny Gordon, Canton, 5-2.

CLASS G - First Place, Noel Whitman, Canton, 7-1; 2nd Place, Mark DeCoste, Ellenburg, 6-2.

CLASS H - First Place, Bob Carter, Syracuse, 7-1; 2nd Place, Mike Christopher, Ft. Jackson, 6-2.

CLASS I - First Place, Mert Flagg, Camden, 6-1; 2nd Place, Walter Hering, Canton, 5-2.

CLASS J - First Place, George Bice, Canton, 7-1; 2nd Place, Richard O'Connell, Watertown, 6-2.

CLASS K - First Place, Rob Mowers, Camden, 6-0; 2nd Place, Dan O'Connell, Watertown, 5-1.

WOMEN CLASS A - First Place, Shirley Gadway, Mooers Forks, 5-1; 2nd Place, Star Maliniak, Ellenburg, 4-2.

WOMENS CLASS B - First Place, Tammie Gordon, Canton, 6-0; 2nd Place, Carol Streit, Canton, 4-2.

WOMENS CLASS C - First Place, Pat Secrest, Camden, 5-1; 2nd Place, Faye Dawson, Canton, 4-2.

JR. BOYS - First Place, Paul Wilson, Jr., Pulaski, 2nd Place, Bob Pike, Canton.

JR. GIRLS - First Place, Traci Warters, Camden, Second Place, Deb Dawson, Canton.

PAUL SCHEUB WINS HANSEN OPEN AT SARASOTA, FL

Paul Scheub of Sarasota came through with a close play-off victory 40-38 over Dick Ferguson to capture top honors in the Chris Hansen Open held Oct. 21, at Bee Ridge Park in Sarasota, Florida. Other winners were Howard Lea of Bradenton in Class B who averaged 57.6 for the day, Walter House of Sarasota in Class C averaging 53.3, Ford Christian of Ohio in Class D, and Lee Davis of Seminole in Class E.

CLASS A — Paul Scheub, Sarasota, 4-1-54.2; Dick Ferguson, Sarasota, 4-1-53.5; Duaine Whitmer, Winter Haven, 3-2-55.8; Joe Holland, Michigan, 2-3-47.9; Bob Widdersheim, Clearwater, 2-3-46.9; Charles Ogline, Bradenton, 0-5-44.5.

CLASS B — Howard Lea, Bradenton, 5-0-57.6; Clif Madren, Winter Haven, 4-1-48.4; Henry Mullet, Sarasota, 2-3-40.5; Harvey Hochstetler, Sarasota, 2-3-33.6; George Buskey, Clearwater, 1-4-34.7; Marion Collins, Dunedin, 1-4-34.3.

CLASS C — Walter House, Sarasota, 4-1-53.3; Ken Reeb, Winter Haven, 4-1-45.4; Bill Whaley, Sarasota, 2-3-38.8; Andy Doshna, Clearwater, 2-3-37.6; Frank Stites, Bradenton, 2-3-36.9; Leonard La Banca, Venice, 1-4-33.2.

CLASS D — Ford Christian, Ohio, 5-0-49.0; Morris Gillespie, Sarasota, 4-1-41.1; Bill Packard, Venice, 3-2-34.9; Joe West, Winter Haven, 2-3-31.6; Howard Fullerton, Bradenton, 1-4-30.8; Earle Johnson, Bradenton, 0-5-21.8.

CLASS E — Lee Davis, Seminole, 3-2-29.0; William Bensch, Clearwater, 3-2-26.3; Milt Myrhe, Bradenton, 3-2-22.7; John Zehnder, Sarasota, 2-3-29.1; Norm Gaseau, Clearwater, 2-3-26.7; Percy Wells, Clearwater, 2-3-21.4.

LAKEWOOD PARK FACILITIES IN STATESVILLE, NO. CAROLINA

There will be several parking places in the new park just walking distance down from the courts in Lakewood Park. Lakewood now has three large picnic shelters with restrooms and many parking places. Also a small lake, amphitheater, paved nature trails, playground equipment, etc. We are working on a plan for the park just across I-40 with three lighted ball fields, one big shelter with restrooms, including men's and women's **shower** dressing rooms, three picnic shelters and two large paved-marked parking areas. (200 spaces).

BOB DOMEY TOPS IN HERITAGE TURKEY SHOOT SUTTON, MASS.

The word is beginning to get around - Don't get involved in a playoff with Bob Domey. Joe Schultz made the same mistake as Al Lord and Norm Rioux two months earlier. The result? 37 to 16. 85.7% for Domey, with a finishing ''kick'' of 36 ringers for 38 shoes. Art Tyson, who caused all this trouble by pitching 80.8% against Domey, finished third. Going into the last round of play Domey, Norm, Rioux, Schultz, and Tyson were tied at 5 and 1 and were playing each other.

Charlie Bonani defeated Bernard Mullady in a Class 2 playoff and pitched his first 60 percent tournament. Paul Drowne, one of three perfect-game pitchers in sanctioned league play, and Paul Schultz, posted high games of 80%. Ed Bodinski won Class 3 with a 55.3 average. Bill Davis was a Class 4 winner with a playoff win over Ray Degrenier. Bill Dickinson did likewise in Class 5, defeating Bob Martin. Meanwhile, on the next court, Bob Martin's son Dave, pitching his first Men's tournament, won a playoff over Jim Wyllie for Class 6 honors.

The hour was late and the turkeys were all the same in Class 7. So Joe Szlosek with his first 40% tournament, Bill McMahon with his second (and new high game, 58.8%), and Harry Brown one ringer short of his first 40, did not play off. A tie was declared. But the hour was not too late for Tournament of Champions runnerup Bob Nugent to defeat Don Fontaine for Class 8 honors.

We should pause at this point because we always did in the past. Eight Mens' Classes during winter Heritage tournaments was the end. But not this year. Read on.

Al Doucette won out over Paul Morrissette in Class 9 playoff. But Whitehouse was one of very few outright winners, taking Class 10. And newcomer John DeGrafft will step up about three classes after easily sweeping Class 11. Janice Domey averaged 62.5% to outdistance her opponents in Junior A. Mark Bassett needed a playoff win over Sheldon Steeves for Junior B honors. Six women competed on two courts. Pat Reekie's 5 and 0 record was described as more of a financial success than an artistic one, but she had it when it counted.

The entry count was 95 men, nine juniors, and six women. A new Heritage record for winter play. But have no fears about the congestion. The foundation has been poured for four more indoor courts (that will make 14) and the steel will probably go up in January. The thanks and appreciation of all those connected with Heritage Recreation Center, especially the Domey's go to all the many horseshoe pitchers who have made this growth possible. Without your support we would all long since have gone back into winter hibernation.

CLASS 1 — Bob Domey, RI, 6-1-75.0; Joe Schultz, NY, 6-1-75.0; Art Tyson, NY, 5-2-69.1; Norm Rioux, Ct, 5-2-67.2; George Trabucchi, Ct., 3-4-66.5; Walt Deuster, NY, 3-4-60.4; Rick Howe, MA, 2-5-58.6; Bernard Herfurth, MA, 1-6-64.1; Paul Cormier, MA, 0-7-51.4; Playoff, Domey, 37 (85.7), Schultz, 16 (73.2%).

CLASS 2 — Charlie Bonani, MA, 6-1-61.8; Bernard Mullady, NY, 6-1-62.0; Paul Drowne, MA, 5-2-66.8; Bill Rogers, NY, 5-3-57.7; Ron Ahlstrom, MA, 4-3-55.7; Paul Schultz, NY, 3-4-54.0; John Renfro, MA, 2-5-51.9; Joe Siwek, CT, 1-6-45.1; John Layman, MA, 0-7-45.2. Playoff: Bonani, 36 (61.9%), Mullady, 27 (57.1%).

CLASS 3 — Ed Bodinski, MA, 6-2-55.3; Fran Norman, MA, 5-3-55.2; Angle Cieslak, MA, 5-3-51.6; Sam Raymond, MA, 5-3-51.0; Lee Ashford, NH, 4-4-51.1; Ray Peloquin, MA, 4-4-49.7; Gerald Moore, Ct, 4-4-47.9; Joe Merritt, MA, 4-4-41.6; Gardner Alden, MA, 2-6-39.3; Gil Lee, CT, 1-7-34.1.

CLASS 4 — Bill Davis, MA, 7-1-44.3; Ray Degrenier, NY, 7-1-46.4; Ed Tyler, CT, 6-2-44.3; Joe Pepi, MA, 5-3-48.1; Ray Benson, VT, 5-3-39.9; Dick Shepard, MA, 5-3-39.3; Al Hamel, MA, 2-6-40.2; Harry Schricker, MA, 2-6-28.7; Ed Morganteen, NY, 1-7-29.1; Mel Merritt, MA 0-8-26.1; Playoff: Davis, 35 (47.2%), Degrenier, 10 (27.8%).

CLASS 5 — Bill Dickinson, MA 6-1-39.0; Bob Martin, MA, 6-1-45.6; John Kraus, MA, 5-2-38.9; Bill Knowles, MA 3-4-36.5; Bill White, MA, 3-4-35.9; Howard Stewart, MA, 2-5-31.9; Don Harrison, MA, 2-5-35.4; Joe Guy, MA, 1-6-31.8; Playoff: Dickinson, 35 (50.0%); B. Martin, 18 (39.5%).

DOMEY WINS — (Continued)

CLASS 6 — Dave Martin, MA 6-1-40.4; Jim Wyllie, MA, 6-1-39.4; Bill Progen, MA, 5-2-35.4; Bob Butler, MA, 5-2-33.8; Brian Turcotte, MA 3-4-23.9; Dick Kusy, MA, 2-5-27.1; John Brown, NH 1-6-25.2; Al Doucette, CT, 0-7-27.4; Playoff: D. Martin, 39 (46.3%); Wyllie, 24 (40.7%).

CLASS 7 — Joe Szlosek, MA, 7-1-42.8; Bill McMahon, MA, 7-1-40.1; Harry Brown, MA 7-1-39.9; Andy Dominique, MA, 5-3-38.4; Tom Henley, MA, 4-4-36.0; Ed Harrington, MA, 3-5-19.4; Harold Thomas, MA, 2-6-28.1; Earl Nash, MA, 2-6-27.2; Tom Robertson, RI, 2-6-28.0; Bud Ploof, MA, 1-7-29.9.

CLASS 8 — Bob Nugent, MA, 6-1-36.9; Don Fontaine, MA, 6-2-27.5; Chris Borglund, MA, 4-3-30.1; John Angus, MA, 4-3-29.5; Charlie Rutkowski, MA, 4-3-28.9; Red Cote, MA, 3-4-24.8; Fred Hayden, CT, 2-5-28.6; Dale Land, MA, 2-5-26.8; Gil Brinkman, MA, 1-6-22.8. Playoff: Nugent, 35 (40.7%), Fontaine, 24 (37.0%).

CLASS 9 — Al Doucette, MA, 5-1-29.9; Paul Morrissette, MA, 5-1-30.7; Bob Taylor, MA, 4-2-31.9; Tony Nacewicz, MA, 3-3-30.5; Jim Taverna, MA, 2-4-27.5; Moe Farmer, MA, 1-5-20.6; Dick O'Brien, MA, 1-5-19.2; Playoff: Doucette, 35 (47.2%), Morrissette, 20 (30.5%).

CLASS 10 — Bud Whitehouse, MA, 5-1-23.1; Bart Sargent, MA, 4-2-22.7; Don Potter, MA, 4-2-21.4; Armando Deluca, MA, 3-3-23.0; Reg Ploof, MA, 2-4-19.1; Mike Desroches, MA, 2-4-16.2; Warren Hall, NH, 1-5-17.2.

CLASS 11 — John DeGrafft, MA, 7-0-30.6; Ray Reekie, MA, 5-2-17.0; Art Taylor, MA, 4-3-18.6; Steve Wentzell, MA, 4-3-15.3; Jim McRobbie, MA, 3-4-17.8; Hank Labine, NH, 3-4-14.1; Ed Hamilton, MA, 1-6-11.2; Jack Lalor, MA, 1-6-9.9.

WOMEN — Pat Reekie, MA, 5-0-44.1; Vivian Deuster, NY, 3-2-52.7; Donna McMeniman, MA, 3-2-45.9; Barbara Potter, MA, 2-3-41.0; Regina Tyson, NY, 2-3-31.6; Peg Degrenier, NY, 0-5-15.0.

JUNIOR A — Janice Domey, MA, 4-0-62.5; Bob Deuster, NY, 3-1-58.5; Lisa Deuster, NY, 2-2-44.0; Greg Rutkowski, MA, 1-3-38.1; Wayne Robinson, MA, 0-4-43.3.

JUNIOR B — Mark Bassett, MA, 3-1-24.7; Sheldon Steeves, MA, 3-1-17.3; Dean Bassett, MA, 2-2-17.7; Dick Shepard, Jr., 0-4-12.4; Playoff: Bassett, 36 (28.6%); Steeves, 30 (21.4%).

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In Memoriam

Friends and members of the Ohio State Association were saddened to learn of the passing of Wilbur J. "Tibby" Woods on November 11, 1978.

He was very active in the Ohio Association for many years and served as secretary/treasurer following the death of Sam Goodlander.

The sincere sympathy of the Ohio State Association and that of the National Association is extended to his loving wife Ruth and family in their hour of sadness.

Wally Schmeckpeper of 621 East Avenue, N., LaCrosse, Wisconsin, passed away on November 11, 1978 after a four day illness.

He was known in and around LaCrosse as "Mr. Horseshoes" for his 50 years of promoting horseshoe pitching in Wisconsin. During which time he acquired many fine trophies as evidence of his prowness as a pitcher. His most prized one, being the one for winning Class C championship of the Senior Class at the 1975 World Tournament. He also placed second in Class 58 of the extra classes at Des Moines, Ia.

Another form of activity was his interest in the Boys' Club in LaCross, starting as a volunteer. After he retired in 1971 as an engineer for the City of LaCrosse water department, he spent many hours working with the boys.

To his wife and family the heartfelt sympathy of the Wisconsin Association, LaCrosse Club and the NHPA is extended in the passing of a true and faithful companion.

On July 5, 1978, Nebraska State Association lost one of its greatest pitchers in the death of Ralph Fleharty of Cozad, Nebraska.

He was a great competitor and played in many tournaments in Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, all of which he was held in high esteem. His constant advice and help to all who knew him will be sadly missed. He was the recipient of the Nebraska Hall of Fame award, in 1978.

The "Ralph Fleharty Horseshoe Award" has been established and will be given to the most deserving person each year.

He also spent much time as a leader in the Boy Scouts working with all boys for many years. There was a large memorial fund given in behalf of Ralph to the local Boy Scouts.

HENTON PLAYOFF VICTOR FOR MONMOUTH, ILL. OPEN TITLE

At the end of regular play in the annual Monmouth Open tournament played at Monmouth, Illinois, Glen Henton, Bill Vandgriff, and Harold Darnold all of Iowa were tied for first place. In the playoff that followed, Henton won over Darnold 50-21 to take the title. Vandegriff was third.

CLASS A — Henton, 6-1-80.8; Darnold, 6-0-74.4; Vandgriff, 6-1-75.2; Law, 4-3-62.6; Phillips, 3-4-65.0; VanDusen, 2-5-61.6; Hooper, 1-6-58.2; S. Jackson, 0-7-48.8.

CLASS B — Ingersol, 7-0-60.6; Prottsman, 5-2-65.1; Swank, 3-4-59.8; Lester, 3-4-55.2; McClain, 3-4-52.0; Tisdale, 3-4-46.4; Sornberger, 2-5-58.0; Durrette, 2-5-47.2.

CLASS C — Carter, 5-2-; Ellis, 5-2-; Jennngs, 5-2; Gillespie, 5-2; Traford, 4-3; Anderson, 3-4; Switzer, 1-6; Hammitt, 0-7.

CLASS D — Hughes, 6-1; Marx, 5-2; Cravens, 5-2; Ellinger, 4-3; Wheeler, 4-3; Mongerson, 2-5; Barnes, 1-6; Goudy, 1-6.

CLASS E — Lyno, 6-1; Reedy, 6-1; Junk, 5-2; Skiles, 4-3; Tarbox, 4-3; Rosene, 2-5; Davis, 1-6; Fromm, 0-7.

CLASS F — B. Sproston, 7-0; Wiles, 6-1; McCord, 5-2; K. Sproston, 4-3; Crockett, 3-4; Davis, 2-5; Porter, 1-6; Chrisman, 0-7.

CLASS G - Forner, 2-1; Sheurman, 2-1; Blackwood, 0-3.

MASS. ASSOC. ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

On Saturday evening, November 4 the Massachusetts State Association held its Annual Awards Banquet at Shrewsbury.

Debby Michaud of Rayham and Gilbert Brinkman of West Springfield were elected to the Massachusetts State Hall of Fame. Debby was the winner of the 1977 Ladies' World Championship. Gilbert Brinkman, as an organizer, has been promoting the sport of horseshoes for almost 50 years.

Chairman Bernard Herfurth was in charge of the induction ceremonies assisted by Joe Guy, State President, who presented the Hall of Fame plaques.

Rick Howe was presented the first Junior Achievement Award. As the only charter member, Rick has been a most outstanding Junior player having won the State and New England championships in the Junior division, also having pitched well in several World Tournaments.

Special recognition awards went to Bart Sargent and Roland Borden. Bart did an excellent job in compiling yearly records for all players plus averages since 1966.

The Most Improved Player awards went to Edith Gadoury and Richard O'Brien.

Russ Gadoury, Massachusetts State Secretary, was Master of Ceremonies for the evening. Dick Shepard, Vice-President, was in charge of arrangements which included an excellent buffet supper followed by fine organ music for dancing, enjoyed by those in attendance which was almost double that of last year.

All of the Hall of Fame and Special awards as well as all of New England's are on display at the Heritage Recreation Center, Sutton, Massachusetts.

KEEGAN SWEEPS SEASON OPENER AT SMYRNA BEACH, FLA.

The opening tournament of the Florida State 1978-79 Horseshoe Pitching season opened at New Smyrna Beach on a cool windy day with thirty one pitchers participating. Bill Keegan came all the way down from North Florida to show all the boys how this game should be played and walked away with top honors.

CLASS A - Wm. Keegan, 6-0-56.6; Troy Harrison, 4-2-50.7; Duaine Whitmer, 2-4-45.9; J. Peterson, 2-4-46.3.

CLASS B — Bob Widderschiem, 7-0-47.8; Cullum, 6-1-45.7; Reeb, 4-3-38.1; Weigel, 4-3-37.4; Buskey, 3-4-34.4; Warner, 3-4-32.2; Gaudette, 1-6-34.4; Benton, 0-7-23.3.

CLASS C — Fuller, 4-1-34.4; Anderson, 4-1-33.8; West, 3-2-33.9; Christian, 2-3-34.5; Doshna, 2-3-30.9; Toole, 0-5-18.5.

CLASS D — Larson, 4-1-28.3; Ellingson, 4-1-25.0; Cevasco, 4-1-26.8; Trevarthen, 2-3-24.3; Davis, 1-4-25.9; Berrall, 0-5-19.6.

CLASS E — Wells, 6-0-24.4; Perkins, 5-1-19.3; Gaseau, 4-2-20.8; Senecal, 3-3-18.9; Rankin, 2-4-9.2; Sears, 1-5-13.4; Stevens, 1-5-11.9.

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DAVE HUGHES WINNER OF FIRST PREIMESBERGER FALL OPEN

Dave Hughes of Bloomington, Minn. edged Jack O'Connor of Brainard, Minn. to take top spot in the first Preimesberger Fall Open Tournament played on the new Preimesberger Indoor arena, October 21-22. Ralph Simon of Waterloo, Iowa was the winner of the single game percentage award hitting a cool 86% percent. In the playoff match in the Ladies Class it was Sandra Karasch over Char Kelly with 42 points and 25 ringers and 50 percent while Char registered 32 points and 22 ringers for 44 percent.

Thanks go to all the workers and out-of-state players and especially Donnie Roberts, NHPA secretary who was on hand to look over the new arena, in Genola, Minn.



Action scene at the Preimesberger Arena courts.

CLASS A — Dave Hughes, Bloomington, MN, 6-1-71.4; Jack O'Connor, Brainerd, MN, 5-2-74.8; Ralph Simon, Waterloo, Iowa, 4-3-74.8; Frank Stinson, Minneapolis, MN, 4-3-69.7; Larye Ambrose, Jackson, MN, 3-4-69.7; Andy Paglarini, Hibbing, MN, 3-4-66.8; Jim Aleckson, Bloomington, MN, 2-5-70.0; Steve Stensgaard, Eden Prairie, MN, 1-6-66.0.

CLASS B — Don Larson, Evansville, MN, 6-1-59.1; Al Olson, Bloomington, MN, 5-2-63.7; Hjalmer Johnson, Big Fork, MN, 4-3-63.4; Roger White, Maplewood, MN, 3-4-63.4; Lloyd Frederickson, Wayzata, MN, 3-4-58.8; Will Gullickson, Moorehead, MN, 3-4-55.4; Walter Foth, Sherburn, MN, 3-4-51.1; Leonard Lipovsky, Bloomington, MN, 1-6-47.1.

CLASS C — Lloyd Henrikson, Coon Rapids, MN, 7-0-62.2; Everett Peterson, Windom, MN, 5-2-60.2; Art Moran, Webster, MN, 5-2-48.5; Ellias Alberts, Amherst, SD, 4-3-53.4; Walter Busse, Appleton, MN, 3-4-48.5; E. Johnson, 3-4-46.8; C. Lundeen, 1-6-33.0; Reuter, 0-7-29.4.

CLASS D — Clayton Gage, St. Paul, MN, 5-2-57.1; Lloyd Olfert, Richfield, MN, 5-2-56.2; Julius Johnson, Minneapolis, MN, 4-3-51.1; Arthur Holter, Minneapolis, MN, 4-3-55.1; LeRoy Johnson, Wayzata, MN, 4-3-51.4; Ken Greenlee, Fridley, MN, 2-5-50.0; Maurice Strom, Ashby, MN, 2-5-46.5; Jim Halland, Anoka, MN, 1-6-46.2.

CLASS E — Elwood Johnson, Elmore, MN, 6-1-54.4; Robert Bjorkgren, Cleghorn, Iowa, 5-2-50.8; Bill Sullivan, Minneapolis, MN, 4-3-47.4; Harry W. Benson, Hibbing, MN, 4-3-45.4; Marls Goodrich, Merrill, Iowa, 3-4-50.8; Ernie Ulku, Minnetonka, MN, 3-4-45.4; Arnold Erickson, Mankato, MN, 2-5-43.1; Mike Radiske, Maple Plain, MN, 1-6-42.8.

CLASS F — Myron VanderWeyst, St. Cloud, MN, 6-1-49.7; Richard Weigel, Little Falls, MN,6-1-48.5; Henry Preimesberger, Genola, MN, 5-2-46.8; Leo Marth, Charles City, Iowa, 4-3-42.8; Randy Midas, Sauk Rapids, MN, 3-4-40.8; Herbert Schafer, Minneapolis, MN, 2-5-39.7; Dave Evenson, Donnelly, MN, 2-5-35.1; Jerome Tuel, St. Cloud, MN, 0-7-43.1.

PREIMESBERGER OPEN — (Continued)

CLASS G — David Johnson, Marine, MN, 6-1-43.1; Henry Pongratz, Mankato, MN, 5-2-45.4; Chet Brandt, Morris, MN, 4-3-46.5; Norman Gage, St. Paul, MN, 4-3-40.2; Julian Larson, Moorehead, MN, 3-4-39.1; Elmer Vines, Minneapolis, MN, 3-4-37.7; Herb Gilbertson, St. Paul, MN, 3-4-33.7; Virgil Watson, Detroit Lakes, MN, Forfeit.

CLASS H — Edwin Nyhold, Cloquet, MN, 6-1-48.2; Frank Bellcour, Isanti, MN, 5-2-41.7; Norman Loidolt, Little Falls, MN, 5-2-35.1; Ted VanderWeyst, St. Cloud, MN, 4-3-46.5; Lloyd Smith, Big Stone City, SD, 3-4-38.5; Clarence J. Bernier, West Fargo, ND, 2-5-36.8; Gene Anderson, St. Paul, MN, 2-5-30.5; John Regan, Brooklyn Park, MN, 1-6-37.7.

CLASS I — Owen Simmons, Nashua, Iowa, 5-2-45.1; Carroll Johnson, Becker, MN, 5-2-39.1; Gene Hughes, Bloomington, MN, 5-2-38.0; Marvin H. Westin, Alcester, SD, 4-3-40.5; Mike Bellcour, Isanti, MN, 3-4-43.1; Neil Fry, Britton, SD, 3-4-32.5; Bert Bertelson, Marvin, SD, 2-5-26.8; Dick Ostoba, St. Paul, MN, 1-6-30.0.

CLASS J — Rick O'Connor, Brainerd, MN, 6-1-37.1; Tim O'Connor, Brainerd, MN, 5-2-38.2; Harry E. Benson, Hibbing, MN, 5-2-37.1; Donald Manske, Little Falls, MN, 5-2-36.5; Henry Stromgren, Cedar, MN, 3-4-33.7; Mylo D. Evison, Alcester, SD, 2-5-29.7; Jerry Harwell, Fridley, MN, 1-6-30.8; Ernie Anderson, Grand Rapids, MN, 1-6-22.2.

CLASS K — Roy Reed, Dassel, MN, 7-0-35.7; Jerry Waldvogel, Little Falls, MN, 5-2-44.0; Hilbert Frey, Minneapolis, MN, 4-3-34.8; Gary D. Koski, Cloquet, MN, 4-3-30.8; Arnold Duevel, Royalton, MN, 3-4-35.1; Joe Vober, Grand Rapids, MN, 2-5-31.4; Vitus Preimesberger, St. Paul, MN, 2-5-26.2; Moose Slettehaugh, Minneapolis, MN, 1-6-26.5.

CLASS L — Louis Campbell, New Brighton, MN, 7-0-43.4; Robert Arndt, Ortonville, MN, 4-3-36.2; Ernest Baker, Alcester, SD, 4-3-35.4; Dennis Carlson, St. Cloud, MN, 4-3-33.4; Jim Krogstad, Minneapolis, MN, 3-4-28.5; Kenny Neison, Big Fork, MN, 2-5-27.1; Ralph V. Marcks, Minneapolis, MN, 1-6-32.0.

CLASS M — Bob Stewart, Cokato, MN, 7-0-32.6; Eino Nikula, Cokato, MN, 5-2-33.3; Jim Newland, Fridley, MN, 5-2-25.0; Raymond Politana, Hibbing, MN, 4-3-23.6; Dave Schmidtbauer, Pierz, MN, 3-4-28.3; Jerry Larson, Osseo, MN, 3-4-24.0; Gerald Kramer, Brainerd, MN, 1-6-22.3; Boyd Schoeder, St. Cloud, MN, Forfeit.

CLASS N — Steve Born, Wyoming, MN, 7-0-42.5; Jerry Koetter, Swanville, MN, 6-1-25.7; Tim Radiske, Delano, MN, 4-3-20.0; Eugene Freberg, St. Cloud, MN, 3-4-25.1; Gary Brandt, Richfield, MN, 3-4-22.5; Roger Lasar, St. Paul, MN, 2-5-22.2; Art Sucher, Grand Rapids, MN, 2-5-21.7; Jerry Marshik, Pierz, MN, 2-5-19.4.

CLASS O — Steve Gessell, Swanville, MN, 7-0-23.6; Gary Holmes, Princeton, MN, 5-2-22.6; Ray Braunsen, Pierz, MN, 5-2-22.0; Elmore Knutson, Minneapolis, MN, 5-2-19.3; Steven Lockwood, Brainerd, MN, 3-4-14.0; Bob Koetter, Swanville, MN, 2-5-13.0; Ray Schmidt, Baline, MN, 1-6-10.6; Leroy Ledo, Dassel, MN, 0-7-17.0.

CLASS P — Jeff Hoheisel, Pierz, MN, 7-0-22.2; Ken VanderWeyst, St. Cloud, MN, 5-2-18.8; Jack Litke, Harding, MN, 3-4-17.7; Victor Bednarek, Pierz, MN, 3-4-15.4; Harry Midas, Sauk Rapids, MN, 3-4-13.4; Ron Schmalke, Garrison, MN, 2-5-12.0; Terry Ringer, Minnetonka, MN, 3-4-10.0; Mark Moran, Minnetonka, MN, 2-5-10.8.

CLASS Q — Gary Litke, Forest Lake, MN,7-0-18.3; Jim Waytashek, Pierz, MN, 6-1-20.3; Larry Beardsly, Christine, ND, 4-3-16.3; Michael Nathe, St. Joseph, MN, 4-3-13.0; Tim Tretter, Menton, MN, 3-4-13.3; Henry Bertelt, Pierz, MN, 2-5-7.6; George VanBriesen, Appleton, MN, 2-5-7.6; George Dombovy, Pierz, MN, Forfeit.

CLASS R — John Poepping, Pierz, MN, 5-0-18.0; Tim Watercott, Pierz, MN, 4-1-16.0; Paul Poepping, Pierz, MN, 3-2-8.6; Ray Sperr, Donnelly, MN, Forfeit; Clifford Bartczak, Ray, MN, Forfeit.

LADIES CLASS A — Sandra Karasch, St. Joseph, MN, 6-1-58.8; Char Kelly, Duluth, MN, 6-1-54.2; Lynne Hughes, Bloomington, MN, 4-3-49.4; Rosie Leyk, Sauk Rapids, MN, 4-3-45.1; Shirley Jacobson, Andover, MN, 4-3-39.7; Beverly Nathe, St. Joseph, MN, 2-5-40.2; Mae Ambrose, Jackson, MN, 2-5-35.7; Norma Radiske, Maple Plain, MN, 0-7-20.5.

LADIES CLASS B — Cora Kilpatrick, Bethel, MN, 6-1-36.0; Karen Holmes, Princeton, MN, 4-3-36.5; Diane Bernier, West Fargo, ND, 4-3-31.4; Shirley Preimesberger, St.Paul, MN, 4-3-26.0; Brooks Henrickson, Coon Rapids, MN, 3-4-28.2; Jackie O'Connor, Brainerd, MN, 3-4-21.1; Evelyn Vober, Grand Rapids, MN, 2-5-33.1; Helen Erickson, Mankato, MN, 2-5-20.5.

LADIES CLASS C — Joyce Lasar, St. Paul, MN, 6-1-32.0; Carmen Sucher, Grand Rapids, MN, 6-1-28.8; Catherine Notch, St. Cloud, MN, 5-2-35.1; Debbie Gall, Pierz, MN, 5-2-20.8; Karen Geschwill, Circle Pines, MN, 3-4-20.5; Dolores Geschwill, New Brighton, MN, 2-5-20.0; Janice Bakke, Blaine, MN, 1-6-13.4; Janelle Hoheisel, Pierz, MN, 0-7-14.2.

LADIES CLASS D — Marion VanBriesen, Appleton, MN, 7-0-19.4; Marilyn Schreiner, Pierz, MN, 5-2-14.5; Christine Gage, St. Paul, MN, 5-2-10.8; Karen Cunninghan, New Brighton, MN, 4-3-14.2; MaryAnn Radiske, Delano, MN, 3-4-13.1; Bertie Solinger, Genola, MN, 2-5-10.2; Patricia Olson, West Fargo, ND, 1-6-2.8; Donna Symanietz, Christine, ND, 1-6-1.4.

PREIMESBERGER OPEN — (Continued)

BOYS CLASS A — Kirk Barknik, Mountain, WI, 7-0-52.5; Peter O'Connor, Brainerd, MN, 6-1-45.4; Dick Waldvogel, Little Falls, MN, 5-2-32.8; Dean Hoheisel, Pierz, MN, 4-3-37.1; Dale Branchaud, Little Falls, MN, 3-4-20.5; Mark Schmolke, Garrison, MN, 2-5-17.7; Chris White, Maplewood, MN, 1-6-21.4; Eric Anderson, St. Paul, MN, 0-7-24.2.

BOYS CLASS B — Curt Boser, Pierz, MN, 7-0-42.2; John Held, Pierz, 6-1-26.8; Kevin Zelazny, Cloquet, MN, 4-3-18.2; Daniel Preimesberger, Genola, MN, 3-4-25.4; Greg Loidolt, Little Falls, MN, 2-5-17.4; Marvin Hoheisel, Jr., Pierz, 2-5-17.1; Jim Kramer, Brainerd, MN, 2-5-17.1; Duane Meyer, Pierz, MN, 2-5-14.8.

BOYS CLASS C — Don Hoheisel, Pierz, MN, 5-0-18.5; Patrick Moran, Webster, MN, 4-1-13.5; Steven Preimesberger, St. Paul, MN, 3-2-11.5; Mike Buhl, St. Paul, MN, 2-3-7.0; Mike Gessell, Swanville, MN, 1-4-9.0.

PRICE WINS MADISON COUNTY ALA, TITLE WITH 8-0

In the Madison County Championships held at the Brahan Springs Courts in Huntsville, Alabama, Marion Price subdued all comers with 8 victories in a row. In the Junior Class Gary was the winner with Brian Baker in second place.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Marion Price, 8-0; Fred Betterton, 6-2; Donald Jones, 5-3; Bill Lamb, 5-3; James Johnson, 4-4; Carl Baker, 4-4; James Harris, 3-5; Ose Veesey, 1-7; Preston Pettie, 0-8.

GROSENBACH TOPS SANCTIONED COLO. FESTIVAL

In the Fruita, Colorado Pall Pestival tourney held in that city, Sept. 30 and Oct. 1, Les Grosenbach was the top man in Class A followed by D. Stemple in the runnerup spot with A. Schliske in third place. Class B winner was P. Garber, D. Hoisington, second and G. Walton third. Class C honors went to C. Weber, J. Walker was second and B. Tarket in third place.

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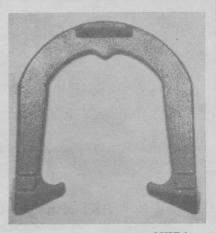
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WOODY MARTIN WINS INAUGURAL TOURNEY AT TOVEY, ILL.

Woody Martin, former Illinois State Champion, initiated the 8 new Lynn Courts in the new park in Tovey, Illinois with seven straight victories. Wendell Savage was runner-up with Bob McQueen coming in third in the Class A section. Woody's brother Paul captured Class B with a 6 and 1 record. The ladies were not to be outdone as Nellie Fleming breezed thru the Ladies Class A with 3 wins in a row. The ladies qualified with an average of 43 percent. Trophies and cash were awarded. Much credit goes to Bill Davis of the Midland Club in conducting a fine tournament.

CLASS A - Woody Martin, 7-0; Wendell Savage, 6-1; Bob McQueen, 5-2; Dick Merrifield, 3-4; Speed Beaty, 2-5; Ken Towell, 2-5; Bonnie Ginoli, 2-5.

CLASS B - Paul Martin, 6-1; Dave Ballard, 6-1; Don Grant, 4-3; Bill Davis, 4-3; D. E. Hover, 4-3; Jim Bolt, 2-5; Jim Wolfe, 1-7; Jim Cook, 1-7.

CLASS C - Ivy White, 7-0; Wayne Beaty, 5-2; Bob Schwab, 4-3; Bob Dudra, 3-4; Dave Brown, 3-4; Jr. Crowder, 3-4; Ed Flemming, 2-5; Ron Smith Jr., 1-7.

CLASS D - Roy Sherman, 5-2; Louie Farmer, 5-2; Gene Crowder, 4-3; Chet Frescura, 4-3; Hank Davis, 4-3; Charles Herman, 2-5; Ron Smith, 2-5; Rich Wright, 2-5.

CLASS E — Tom Davis, 4-1; Earl Amos, 4-1; Wayne Holter, 4-1; Dick Clark, 3-2; Don Kern, 1-4; Randy Cook, 0-5.

CLASS F - Randy Kooms, 5-0; Joe Cavatorta, 3-2; Don Yost, 3-2; Dennis Jones, 2-3; Dave Eson, 2-3; John Deck, 0-5.

CLASS A LADIES - Nellie Fleming, 3-0; Cella Ballard, 2-1; Marcella Davis, 1-2; Janet Davis, 0-3.

CLASS B LADIES - Bernice Merrifield, 3-0; Becky Brown, 2-1; Rita Kooms, 1-2; Verda Cavatorta, 0-3.

CLASS C LADIES - Sheila Yost, 3-0; Polly Farmer, 1-2; Mary Cook, 1-2; Mary Ginoli, 1-2.

CLASS D LADIES - Shirley Davis, 3-0; Judy Conway, 2-1; June Smith, 2-1; Sue Peat, 0-3.

R. NORWOOD TOPS TENN. AUTUMN CLASSIC BY PERCENTAGE

The Autumn Classic was the last tournament of the 1978 season for the Tennessee Association and was played in Jefferson City on September 30. Roger Norwood and his son Tony and T.R. Little ended up in a 3-way tie for first place. By virtue of having the higher ringer percentage, Roger stepped into the winner's circle.

John Walker, a long time Tennessee pitcher, donated \$50.00 to the tournament for the 3rd and 4th place trophies, which he has done for several years. The Tennessee Association is most appreciative of this fine gesture.

Mr. Walker retired from Carson Newman College and now resides on his farm where he raises beef cattle.

Dexter Stallings, Tennessee state secretary, presented 3 Sportsmanship Awards to C.H. Ward, James Davis, and Walt Pierce following the close of the tournament.

CLASS A — R. Norwood, 4-1-68.9; T. Norwood, 4-1-67.3; T. R. Little, 4-1-57.8; D. Ward, 1-4-62.1; J. B. Fuller, 1-4-59.4; O. D. Lebow, 1-4-54.3.

CLASS B — G. Whaley, 5-0-57.2; D. Stallings, 4-1-62.9; J. Hammitt, 3-2-52.4; J. Edmonds, 2-3-60.4; M. Norwood, 1-4-50.4; C. Green, 0-5-51.9.

CLASS C — C. Brown 4-1-65.6; R. Littrell, 3-2-52.4; J. Walker, 3-2-51.5; J. Worley, 3-2-51.3; J. B. Wells, 2-3-56.7; H. Self, 0-5-47.0.

CLASS D — G. Lewis, 5-0-60.8; L. Beach, 3-2-44.2; b. Arms, 3-2-42.3; F. Gregg, 2-3-37.7; J. Whaley, 2-3-30.9; W. Hair, 0-5-23.3.

CLASS E — D. Pritchard, 5-0-46.0; F. Fritts, 4-1-28.1; D. Caylor, 3-2-26.4; C. H. Ward, 2-3-15.0; J. Davis, 1-4-4.4; R. Arms, 0-5-12.6.

POTTS PICKS UP BUFFALO BILL TITLE AT LEAVENWORTH KS

Merlin Potts, Kansas state champion, took charge of Class A in the Buffalo Bill Open tournament conducted at Leavenworth, Kansas. Eighty-five pitchers participated. Stan Riggs had a good day, with a 4 and 1 record to capture the Junior Class title.

CLASS A — Merlin Potts, 6-1-68.9; C. Killgore, 5-2-64.6; E. Cooper, 5-2-63.9; J. Smith, 4-3-63.2; L. Morton, 2-5-55.2; L. Pinion, 1-6-57.5; B. Chester, 1-6-43.7.

CLASS B — David Kincaid, 6-1-56.1; G. Fleek, 4-3-58.0; S. Adame, 4-3-47.0; A. Constance, 4-3-45.7; D. Prichard, 3-4-48.1; R. Potts, 3-4-43.5; B. Booe, 3-4-41.5; L. Garner, 1-6-32.6.

CLASS C — J. Christianson, 5-2-49.7; B. Green, 5-2-46.7; J. Hobbs, 4-3-45.3; B. Outt, 4-3-44.7; J. McCart, 4-3-40.4; L. Sperlinn, 3-4-40.5; G. Tinder, 2-5-42.5; G. Rice, 1-6-38.7.

CLASS D — D. Derrick, 5-2-41.6; B. Dickson, 5-2-37.3; F. Knouft, 5-2-34.7; E. Frakes, 4-3-40.5; W. Shelinbarger, 4-3-42.0; P. Voelker, 3-4-29.5; W. Gay, 2-5-29.5.

CLASS E — Harvey Lister, 5-1-43.3; B. Prich, 5-1-?; J. W. Brown, 4-2-40.4; D. Johnson, 4-2-39.8; Perkins, 2-4-31.0; L. Cavanner, 1-5-29.2; W. Crook, Forfeit.

CLASS F — Gerry McCart, 4-1-34.5; J. Amtjor, 3-2-28.0; J. McKnight, 3-2-27.5; W. Harrison, 2-3-26.5; H. Williams, 2-3-24.4; M. Fields, 1-4-20.5.

CLASS G — C. Kaniper, 6-1-38.6; J. Jackson, 5-2-30.1; M. Harmon, 5-2-21.7; L. Cattrell, 5-2-21.6; D. Campbell, 4-3-24.1; R. Rogers, 4-3-23.7; B. Quiet, 0-7-17.2.

CLASS H — Al Ard, 6-1-29.2; R. Whitting, 5-2-25.8; T. Talley, 5-2-25.0; B. Burgoon, 4-3-25.8; M. Huff, 4-3-23.7; D. Smith, 2-5-23.3; B. McKnight, 2-5-15.8.

CLASS I — S. Griggs, 7-0-35.2; N. Guild, 5-2-25.5; R. Hall, 5-2-22.1; F. English, 4-3-26.8; A. Derrick, 4-3-24.4; T. Ralston, 2-5-19.6; L. Whittington, 1-6-13.8; C. Norris, 0-7-9.5.

CLASS J — B. Newkirk, 7-0-28.9; G. Talley, 5-2-26.5; G. Plaister, 5-2-23.0; R. Underwood, 4-3-19.7; R. Kunkel, 3-4-15.5; A. Roberts, 3-4-12.4; L. Schemmil, 1-6-12.9.

CLASS K — L. Smith, 5-0-22.1; A. Proffit, 3-2-12.8; E. Huhn, 3-2-7.0; J. Uhl, 2-3-11.5; G. Sears, 1-4-9.5; S. Huhn, 1-4-4.1.

JUNIORS — Stan Griggs, 4-1-53.5; T. Sperline, 4-1-43.2; D. Shelingbarder, 3-2-51.1; Stacy Griggs, 3-2-37.1; J. Chester, 1-4-39.1; E. Wettig, 0-5-8.0.

RUSS GADOURY WINS SANTA'S SPECIAL AT HERITAGE RECREATION CENTER — DISPUTE RAGES — READ ON

Pitching the twenty-second best tournament of his life, Russ Gadoury parlayed a six win, one loss record into a title winning effort in Santa's Special, pitched at Heritage Recreation Center in Sutton, Mass., last December. Sam Raymond was tournament runner-up and Joe Pepi placed third (Truly a moment of glory). Continue reading.

At this point the avid reader might ask, "What's going on here?" After all, Domey, Schultz, Tyson, and Rioux, to name a few, were entered. To make a long story short, a power failure blacked out the town of Sutton on Sunday afternoon. Classes 1 and 2 had to be stopped due to poor visibility, although the afore-mentioned quartet got up a lively doubles game in the dark.

It turned out that the Class 3 winner, Russ Gadoury, appealed to the state secretary, Russ Gadoury. That worthy individual ruled that the Class 3 winner, having won the highest class pitched, was the tournament champion and should receive the Tournament Champion patch. Norm Rioux's appeal to the NHPA League Coordinator, Russ Gadoury, was disallowed.

Unfortunately, 30 minutes after Gadoury left Heritage, power was restored, Classes 1 and 2 completed play, Joe Schultz came from behind to beat Ed Domey 35-32 to wrap up the Tournament Champion patch, Gadoury's moment of glory was denied, and a good story got all loused up. Thus the headline now reads...

JOE SCHULTZ OF N. Y. WINS SANTA'S SPECIAL AT HERITAGE

Schultz not only came back from a 19-32 deficit to beat Domey, he pitched his two 80^s percent games in the dark. Third place finisher, Art Tyson, also pitched 80 percent in the dark.

Bill Rogers finally broke his 2nd place jinx at Heritage and won Class 2 with a clean sweep. In Class 3, won by Russ Gadoury, Joe Pepi pitched a new personal high game of 66% and it came in Round 1 opposite Gadoury's 62% — New highs are most satisfying when they come under pressure. Gil Lee won Class 4 with one of his better tournaments the last couple of years. John Draus won Class 5 with a playoff victory against Bill Knowles and posted his first 40% tournament. Harry Schricker won Class 6 with his second career 40% tournament. Massachusett's Al Doucette pitched a new personal high of 35.0% to win Class 7. And, finally, Don Potter swept Class 7 with a personal high of 24.6%. Seven women were entered but decided not to continue after the power went off, with no surety that play would be resumed.

Note — All concerned are aware that a lower class winner cannot win a tournament by default.

CLASS 1 — Joe Schultz, NY, 7-0-77.0; Ed Domey, MA, 6-1-78.4; Art Tyson, NY, 5-2-69.8; George Trabucchi, Ct, 4-3-65.4; Norm Rioux, CT, 3-4-68.6; Bernard Herfurth, MA 2-5-60.8; Walt Deuster, NY, 1-6-58.3; Charlie Bonani, MA, 0-7-58.9.

CLASS 2 — Bill Rogers, NY, 6-0-55.3; Paul Drowne, MA, 4-2-54.0; Ed Bodinski, MA, 3-3-55.3; Ron Ahlstrom, MA, 3-3-50.0; John Renfro, MA, 2-4-47.7; Orton Cushman, MA, 2-4-42.1; Fran Norman, MA, 1-5-33.7.

CLASS 3 — Russ Gadoury, MA, 6-1-56.8; Sam Raymond, NH, 5-2-50.0; Joe Pepi, MA, 4-3-50.0; John Layman, MA, 3-4-48.1; Angie Sieslak, MA, 3-4-47.4; Bill Davis, MA, 3-4-47.3; Bob Martin, MA, 3-4-43.2; Ray Peloquin, MA, 1-6-51.5.

CLASS 4 — Gil Lee, CT, 7-1-48.5; Bob Gokey, NH, 6-2-42.2; Ed Tyler, CT, 5-3-46.6; Dick Shepard, MA, 4-4-40.9; Dave Martin, MA, 4-4-38.3; Joe Szlośek, MA, 4-4-35.6; Howard Stewart, MA, 3-5-41.3; Bill Dickinson, MA, 3-5-39.1; Bill McMahon, MA, 3-5-38.9; Mel Merritt, MA, 1-7-27.2.

CLASS 5 — John Kraus, MA, 6-1-41.3; Bill Knowles, MA, 6-1-50.4; Jim Wyllie, MA, 4-3-35.9; Bob Nugent, MA, 4-3-33.1; Harry Brown, MA, 3-4-33.3; Andy Dominique, MA, 3-4-31.5; Dick Belanger, NH, 2-5-30.7; Bill White, MA, 0-7-34.5; Playoff: Kraus, 37 (36.9%). Knowles, 30 (34.7%).

CLASS 6 — Harry Schricker, MA, 6-1-40.1; Don Harrison, MA, 5-2-36.1; Cleo Breton, MA, 5-2-35.2; Tom Henley, MA, 5-2-30.8; Bill Progen, MA, 4-3-32.1; Harold Thomas, MA, 2-5-26.2; Moe Farmer, MA, 1-6-24.1; John Degrafft, MA, 0-7-25.3.

CLASS 7 — Al Doucette, MA, 6-0-35.0; George Blais, NH, 4-2-19.6; Red Cote, MA, 3-3-24.1; Bud Whitehouse, MA, 2-4-20.8; Tony Nacewicz, MA, 2-4-17.4; Charlie Rutkowski, MA, 1-5-21.6.

CLASS 8 — Don Potter, MA, 7-0-24.6; Mike Desroches, MA, 6-1-15.7; Tom Courtney, MA, 4-3-16.8; Paul St. Pierre, MA, 3-4-18.4; Hank Labine, NH, 3-4-18.1; Reg Ploof, MA, 2-5-15.2; Ray Reekle, MA, 2-5-11.9; Ed Hamilton, MA, 16-12.1.

CARL STEINFELDT WINS CLEARWATER FLORIDA OPEN

Carl Steinfeldt posted 6 wins and 1 loss to capture the 1978 Clearwater Open held on November 11. Carl's only loss was to Levi Miller of Sarasota who placed 3rd, while former State Champ John Rademacher of Plant City took 2nd spot. The sunny 85 degree weather brought out many spectators, including our National News Digest Editor, Ellis Cobb. We enjoyed having Ellis drop in and hope he returns to the Suncoast of Florida again soon.

CLASS A — Carl Steinfeldt, Clearwater, 6-1-76.7; John Rademacher, Plant City, 5-2-64.1; Levi Miller, Sarasota, 5-2-63.3; Ken Drury, Largo, 4-3-58.0; Paul Scheub, Sarasota, 4-3-54.2; Bil Keegan, Live Oak, 2-5-52.3; Duaine Whitmer, Winter Haven, 2-5-47.2.

CLASS B — Mickey Broughton, Tampa, 6-1-62.8; Rex Swinson, Sarasota, 5-2-50.9; Joe Holland, Dunedin, 4-3-58.8; Howard Lea, Bradenton, 4-3-54.0; Leo Fitzpatrick, Michigan, 3-4-60.5; Dick Ferguson, Sarasota, 3-4-56.3; Dike Thatcher, Nobleton, 3-4-55.8; Cliff Madren, Orlando, 0-7-49.7.

CLASS C — Hart Knutson, New Port Richey, 5-0-46.5; Bob Widdersheim, Clearwater, 4-1-50.4; Art Graves, Clearwater, 3-2-46.0; Earle Morris, Lakeland, 2-3-47.3; Red Benton, Plant City, 1-4-37.3; Bill Whaley, Sarasota, 0-5-31.0.

CLASS D — Walter House, Sarasota, 5-0-40.6; Ken Reeb, Winter Haven, 3-2-49.2; Fort Christian, Ohio, 2-3-41.2; Frank Stites, Bradenton, 2-3-39.8; Marion Collins, Dunedin, 2-3-37.9; Henry Mullet, Sarasota, 1-4-34.4.

CLASS E — Dick Weigel, Largo, 5-0-37.6; Louis Haley, St. Petersburg, 4-1-40.4; Hap Harrison, Clearwater, 3-2-31.0; Carlton Mullinix, Dunedin, 2-3-37.6; Wilber Rocke, Sarasota, 1-4-38.5; Andy Doshna, Clearwater, 0-5-34.8.

CLASS F — Chris Miller, Sarasota, 5-0-42.9; Keith Lepard, Ohio, 4-1-37.8; Pat O'Toole, Bradenton, 3-2-40.2; Phil Perkins, Clearwater, 2-3-30.3; Einar Askeland, Clearwater, 1-4-23.0; Paul Barrette, St. Petersburg, 0-5-19.5.

CLASS G — Geo. Fields, Largo, 5-0-42.9; Norm Gaseau, Clearwater, 4-1-28.0; Lee Davis, Seminole, 3-2-31.2; John Zehnder, Sarasota, 2-3-23.8; Milt Myhre, Bradenton, 1-4-23.8; Hap Halstead, Winter Haven, 14.8.

CLASS H — Frank Gottorff, Madeira Beach, 5-0-25.2; Percy Wells, Clearwater, 4-1-31.8; Tom Barnett, Clearwater, 2-3-25.2; Bill Bensch, Clearwater, 2-3-22.5; Mike Povich, Seminole, 2-3-20.3; Art Carter, Bradenton, 0-5-12.0.

ZADROGA RETAINS RAYMOND FRYE MEMORIAL OPEN TITLE

Al Zadroga makes it his 7th win of the Raymond L. Frye Memorial Open in Winchester, Virginia.

A total of \$925.00 in prize money plus trophies for all classes except Men's Class A were given away. Carl Frye sponsored Men's Division with \$745.00 cash awards given away plus trophies. H. C. Christianson sponsored the Ladies Division with \$180.00 cash awards given away plus trophies.

118 pitchers pitched in the largest Raymond L. Frye Memorial to date. The addition of 12 more courts for next year will make it possible for many more to participate.

LADIES CLASS A — J. Phelps, Virginia, 7-0-70.6; C. Dean, Virginia, 6-1-56.3; A. Anderson, Maryland, 5-2-48.4; B. Inge, Virginia, 4-3-40.2; M. Haines, Virginia, 3-4-38.0; C. Lowe, Virginia, 2-5-27.9; D. Pittman, Pennsylvania, 1-6-22.4.

JUNIOR DIVISION — K. Thorne, W. Va., 7-0-56.9; Parsell, Virginia, 6-1-64.2; W. Phelps, Virginia, 4-3-42.0; B. Wilson, Pennsylvania, 4-3-26.3; F. Haines, Virginia, 3-4-33.5; K. Perry, Virginia, 3-4-30.8; C. Walker, Pennsylvania, 1-6-19.7.

MENS CLASS A — A. Zadroga, Penn., 14-1-79.5; A. Copeland, Ohio, 12-3-74.5; D. Beshore, Penn., 11-4-70.1; D. Carson, Maryland, 11-4-68.8; J. Soloman, Penn., 10-5-75.3; G. Powers, Maryland, 10-5-67.5; S. Manker, Ohio, 10-5-66.7; A. Perry, Virginia, 10-5-65.7; O. Engle, Penn., 9-6-67.7; C. Martin, Virginia, 5-10-65.9; R. Startiff, Penn., 5-10-61.8; R. Reynold, Penn., 4-11-58.0; R. Bechtel, Penn., 4-11-53.3; C. Eyler, Penn., 4-11-46.9; C. Price, Virginia, Withdrew, F. Williams, Penn., Withdrew.

MENS CLASS B — P. Good, Va., 7-0-66.2; C. Henson, Va., 5-2-63.6; M. Flowers. W. Va., 5-2-61.3; F. Lutter, Penn., 4-3-59.6; R. Rugg, Penn., 3-4-53.9; J. Walker, Va., 2-5-56.6; P. Miller, W. Va., 2-5-56.5; G. Buchanan, Jr., Va., 0-7-47.4.

MENS CLASS C — R. Hinkle, W. Va., 5-2-55.1; F. Lutter, Jr., Penn., 4-3-57.2; F. Hix, Jr., Va., 4-3-57.0; P. Miller, Pa., 4-3-55.2; F. Swantz, Va., 4-3-53.3; P. Law, Va., 3-4-48.5; J. Baugher, Penn., 3-4-48.3; F. Bechtel, Penn., 2-5-46.3.

MENS CLASS D — R. Stillwell, W. Va., 6-1-57.3; W. Wade, W. Va., 5-2-51.7; E. Sell, Penn., 4-3-50.6; D. Unger, W. Va., 4-3-49.5; C. Maier, Penn., 3-4-52.0; R. Sites, Maryland, 3-4-50.7; C. Phelps, Va., 2-5-48.0; R. Deal, Va., 1-6-45.8.

MENS CLASS E — J. Shaw, Va., 4-1-51.5; R. Wiseman, W. Va., 4-1-43.6; L. Baker, W. Va., 3-2-51.0; G. Eppley, Penn., 3-2-48.0; D. Miller, W. Va., 1-4-38.2; E. Rosser, W. Va. 0-5-31.7.

FRYE MEMORIAL OPEN — (Continued)

MENS CLASS F — J. Clippinger, Penn., 5-0-60.1; W. Sammons, De., 3-2-44.0; H. Ronning, Va., 2-3-41.3; D. Wilson, Penn., 2-3-36.8; E. Orndoff, Virginia, 2-3-36.3; E. Smith, Va., 1-4-38.4.

MENS CLASS G — L. Crosten, Maryland, 5-1-47.9; C. Clites, Penn., 4-2-47.7; C. Painter, Va., 3-2-43.0; J. Fulton, Penn., 2-3-44.0; H. Tuttle, Ohio, 2-3-43.1; R. Dart, Penn., 0-5-37.7.

MENS CLASS H — C. Walker, Penn., 4-1-47.9; J. Roebuck, Penn., 4-1-44.9; H. Gray, W. Va., 3-2-50.0; R. Smith, Va., 2-3-39.8; D. Baker, Penn., 1-4-39.0; B. Rugg, Penn., 1-4-37.2.

MENS CLASS I — C. Reynold, Penn., 5-0-41.4; R. Landis, W. Va., 4-1-37.6; H. Mann, W. Va., 2-3-40.3; T. Faderson, Va., 2-3-32.9; W. Sites, Maryland, 1-4-35.2; I. Hoy, Va., 1-4-21.3.

MENS CLASS J — R. Wade, W. Va., 5-1-35.1; D. Swain, W. Va., 4-2-33.8; W. Gaither, W. Va., 3-2-30.9; M. Young, Va., 3-2-30.7; P. Rose, W. Va., 1-4-26.7; E. Mathias, Va., 0-5-21.4.

MENS CLASS K — F. Blankenship, Va., 5-1-35.1; H. Torrence, Va., 4-2-29.5; L. Willey, Va., 3-2-31.9; R. Cross, W. Va., 2-3-32.6; F. Britten, Va., 1-4-29.4; C. Baker, W. Va., 1-4-24.3.

MENS CLASS L — B. Meador, Ohio, 5-0-46.0; L. Walls, Maryland, 3-1-37.5; E. Clobus, Va., 3-1-33.3; R. Decker, W. Va., 2-2-35.0; C. Steinspring, Va., 1-3-25.8; D. Routon, Va., 0-4-8.4.

MENS CLASS M — W. McConnaughey, Va., 4-1-30.0; M. Swaim, W. Va., 4-1-27.9; M. Wyant, Va., 3-2-28.3; J. Byhanna, W. Va., 2-3-24.2; J. Byhanna, W. Va., 14-23.3; J. Kite, Va., 1-4-22.7.

MENS CLASS N — R. Swaim, W. Va., 5-0-28.8; J. Trail, Maryland, 4-1-31.0; Alger, Va., 3-2-25.2; J. Layton, Maryland, 1-4-26.4; G. Layton, Maryland, 1-4-21.1; H. Maze, W. Va., 1-4-19.0.

MENS CLASS O — L. Haines, Va., 3-0-17.8; B. Mason, Va., 2-1-16.7; T. Whetzel, Va., 1-2-10.8; M. Frye, Maryland, 0-3-4.4.

MARYLAND ASSOCIATION SEASON ACTIVITIES (1978)

In the Wicomico County tournament held at the Picnic Island courts in Salisbury, Dale Carson, the ringer master from Baltimore, led the way with 8 wins and no losses while racking up a 71.8 ringer percentage. Grant Powers ran second followed by Ernest Oneal in third. Willard Sammons, from Delaware came in fourth with Les Hiebler in fifth. Delbert Fithian from Pennsylvania was sixth and Glenn Eppley also from Pennsylvania was seventh. Earl Tribblett ran eight and Richard Bevans was ninth.

Class B seen Ken Holden in first followed by Richard Wilson second and Owen McAteer in third spot. Class C it was Gene Wilkins first, Wilson Wall second and Alvin Naill third. Class D Clark Townsend first, Walter Hunt second and Galen Crummitt third. Class E found Lester Carroll first, Gene Carpenter, second, and Jeff Layton third.

Class A honors in the doubles went to Stanley Abell and Fred Beeman. While in Class B doubles, it was Walter Hunt and Bob Bunn in first place.

In the Culligan Eastern Shores Open, Ed Severs of New Jersey ran first with Williams McAteer in second place and Earl Tribblett third. Class B title went to Ted Lewis also of New Jersey in first place. Parker Sturgis, Maryland state secretary, took second place. Class C seen Stanley Abell in first with Floyd Aden second. Class D Galen Crummett was tops with Gene Carpenter in second. Gary Lecompte took top position in Class E and Bob Frye second. Willard Sammons and Verlon Frye were not to be denied as they won Class A doubles crown. In the B decision it was Willie Webb and Lester Carroll.

As the South Atlantic Open came into being, it was Dale Carson again with 8 straight and 70.9 percentage in ringers. Grant Powers followed in second and William McAteer third. Lester Hiebler topped Class B and Willard Sammons in second spot with Art Carson in third. Class C went to Ed Clobus and John Shaw second trailed by Bob Turner third. Fred Beeman had everything his way as he racked up 8 wins to claim Class D. Stanley Abell was second and Walt Hunt third. Class E had William Shaw up front with 7 and 1 with John Laird in second and Ken Keefer third. Class F went to Jim Meyers and Gary Naill took second. In the Doubles contest, Ernest Oneal and Walt Hunt topped Class A while in Class B it was Jeff Layton and Bernard Warwick in top spot. Down in the Junior Class Daniel Webb proved his metal by winning all four to claim the Junior crown. Allen Abell was second and Bernard Folker was third.

JOPPE WINNER OF SWEN'S OPEN AT GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN

Carl Joppe of Green Bay, Wisconsin won the annual Swen's Open tournament held at Green Bay, Wisconsin as one of last season's fine tournaments in Wisconsin. Sur Hanold also of Green Bay won the Ladies Class with 4 wins and 1 loss. Ten year old Brett Pritzlaff of Germantown ran off with the boys crown with 7 straight wins and averaging 76.6 percent in the process. This was his first tournament using the 1½ turn.

CLASS A — Carl Joppe, 6-1-68.3; Bill Glass, 5-2-65.9; Roger Poutanen, 4-3-64.7; Myrel Olson, 4-3-62.0; Rick Pritzlaff, 4-3-61.8; Harold Bestul, 4-3-61.7; Harvey Elmerson, 1-6-46.6; Bob Wilke, 0-7-51.4.

CLASS B — Al Hanold, 6-1-53.4; Merwyn Sorensen, 5-2-49.7; Joe Gerritts, 5-2-52.6; Dick Goelz, 3-4-44.9; Merle Cooper, 3-4-40.9; Joe Helbling, 2-5-49.3; Frank Frankowiak, 2-5-42.9; Fran Beauchamp, 2-5-41.2.

CLASS C — Royce Wrucke, 5-2-44.2; Wally Srenaski, 5-2-48.0; Wally Michales, 5-2-41.4; Harry Johnson, 4-3-46.1; Charles Christoplis, 3-4-47.1; Carroll Boldt, 3-4-44.2; Gerald Rivera, 2-5-46.1; Clarence Plozynski, 1-6-35.2.

CLASS D — Joe Dubnicka, 6-1-41.4; Jack Trepanier, 5-2-45.2; Rick Liss, 4-3-40.9; Ed Crockett, 4-3-24.7; Richard McGinnes, 3-4-46.1; Archie Johnson, 3-4-31.4; John Meyer, 3-4-30.9; Al Brouillette, 0-7-26.1.

CLASS E — Tom Sherman, 5-2-46.4; John Secord, 5-2-37.5; Norb Hendricks, 4-3-46.0; Gary Bloedorn, 4-3-46.0; Steve Weigert, 4-3-43.5; Jerry Yurk, 2-5-37.1; Brad Bessert, 2-5-34.6; Ron Pritzlaff, 2-5-32.1.

CLASS F — C. Ollerman, 6-1-40.0; Gabby Appleman, 5-2-44.2; John Milkint, 4-3-36.7; Ed Schuetz, 4-3-34.6; Dick Janey, 3-4-37.8; Al McGowan, 3-4-28.7; Chuck Goldapske, 2-5-32.9; Jules Paluch, Forfeit.

CLASS G — Jim King, 6-1-36.7; Donald Wagner, 6-1-33.5; Syle Manske, 4-3-30.7; Dick Kaminski, 4-3-26.4; Mike Heymanns, 3-4-26.4; Irv Schroeder, 3-4-26.0; Frank Hanold, 2-5-24.6; Ed Yankowski, 0-7-20.7.

CLASS H — Leon Uhl, 6-1-34.6; Ralph Schwartz, 5-2-33.5; Larry Farvour, 4-3-26.7; Randy Garrity, 4-3-22.8; Ron Garrity, 3-4-18.2; Ed Wing, 2-5-24.2; Elmer Bigfire, 2-5-23.9; Marv Guetzke, 2-5-23.2.

CLASS I — Roger Schroeder, 6-1-19.0; Norb Nigbor, 5-2-23.8; Dave Punzel, 4-3-23.3; Larry Secod, 4-3-19.5; Myron Woyak, 3-4-18.5; Robert Fiebelkorn, 3-4-18.5; Doug Vine, 3-4-13.8; Don Kozicke, 0-7-10.9.

Class J — Otto Kulhanek, 6-1-18.8; Bob Bettis, 5-2-13.8; Ed Ballwanz, 5-2-16.1; Mark Srenaski, 4-3-6.6; Ilgras Veldre, 3-4-10.5; Vic Schill, 3-4-8.3; Bill Lemorande, 2-5-12.2.

CLASS A WOMEN — Sue Hanold, 4-1-38.0; Sue Pritzlaff, 4-1-43.0; Shirley Ballwanz, 3-2-36.0; Gail Dallman, 2-3-32.5; Vera Wiegert, 1-4-34.5; Sylvia Engle, 1-4-22.0.

CLASS B WOMEN — Cyrena Srenaski, 6-1-29.5; Sue Stascak, 5-2-25.8; Joyce Hanold, 5-2-31.6; Linda Liethen, 5-2-26.6; Barb Liethen, 3-4-22.5; Jane Guetzke, 2-5-20.8; Verna Hanold, 2-5-14.5.

CLASS A JR BOYS — Bret Pritzlaff, 7-0-76.6; Kirk Bartnik, 6-1-63.3; Rusty Pritzlaff, 5-2-56.1; J. D. Secord, 3-4-53.3; Jeff Goelz, 3-4-49.4; Mike Ballwanz, 2-5-55.0; Tim Mulry, 2-5-40.0.

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SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY (CALIF.) CHAMPIONSHIPS

The annual San Bernardino County championships were played during the fair at Victorville, California.

Ralph Randall successfully defended his title with seven straight wins with a 61.0 ringer percentage. This makes the 10th time for him to win the title. New championships were crowned in the Men's Class B and in the Women's Class, and in the Senior Citizen Class.

CLASS A — Raiph Randall, 7-0-61.0; Ben Logg, 6-1-55.4; Joe Holder, 5-2-44.8; Clair Ostrander, 4-3-35.4; Art Dahl, 3-4-27.9; Max Haefels, 1-6-31.0; Charles Evergart, 1-6-29.0; Carl Eggleston, 1-6-23.4.

CLASS B — John McKernan, 7-0-22.5; Rube Wendland, 5-2-21.5; Dennis Haefels, 4-3-15.3; Robert Baum, 4-3-15.2; Dick Wallendad, 3-4-13.5; Ken Pierce, 3-4-9.0; Ron Haefels, 2-5-11.1; Ken Ziemer, 0-7-8.8.

SENIOR CLASS — Earl Hogan, 7-0-31.2; Charles Everhart, 5-2-27.0; Don Dodson, 5-2-25.3; Virgil Dickey, 4-3-23.8; Al Marchio, 3-4-24.1; Groege Rodocker, 3-4-15.3; Mel Lingenfelter, 1-6-11.0; Lloyd Whitrock, 0-7-9.0.

WOMENS CLASS - Dorothy McAllister, 1st; Nancy Kloepfer, 2nd; Jane McKernan, 3rd; Judity Coon, 4th.



"From Out Of The Mail Bag"

Mr. Ellis Cobb, Editor The Horseshoe Pitcher's News Digest P.O. Box 1606 Aurora, Illinois 60507

Dear Editor:

I noted the comments of K. M. Garver and Steward Snyder in the October, 1978, Digest, regarding the ambiguity of the NHPA foul line rule and scoring irregularities in qualifying rounds.

For whatever it may be worth, here's how we've dealt with these things in our horseshoe club (a state employees' group). Our rule says:

A player must stand within the pitcher's box (a 6 foot square with the stake in the center) and at least 18 inches from the stake (on either side) when pitching his shoes. If any portion of a player's foot extends over the foul line before his pitched shoe has landed, the pitch is a foul and does not count in the scoring. A following opponent in that frame may request removal of the foul shoe from the pitching area.

As to the matter of qualifying, we use a procedure patterned on one used in golf. Our qualifying round is done with 2 players on each court. Scoring is count all, of course. The order of pitching alternates every two frames, and each player calls the other player's score. When we're short of score keepers, each player records the other player's score (as in golf). The player-pairs for the qualifying round are drawn by lot, as are the courts which each pair will use.

I won't say these things will absolutely prevent fudging and false scoring, but they seem to work well for us.

Incidentally, we've drawn up our tournament rules so as to generally follow those of the NHPA, but we've tried to make for more precision in some other areas too. For example, NHPA Rule 5 says that "[stakes shall have] a 3 inch include toward each other." This isn't what's meant at all, because if each stake were inclined 1½ inches toward the other, they would have a 3 inch incline toward each other. So, our rule says, "Each stake... is inclined toward the opposite stake 3 inches."

NHPA Rule 15c also seems imprecisely worded. "Two shoes closer than opponents...2 points." Better: "Two shoes closer than either shoe of opponent..." Or, as our rule has it: "2 points to a player in a frame when both of his shoes are within 6 inches of the stake and both are closer than either of his opponent's shoes."

Aside from these niceties, I have the following observations on the NHPA rules:

1. Rule 4b tells us that the minimum length of the pitching area is 43 inches and the maximum is 72 inches. Why 72 inches? This is 29 inches more than the minimum and is the full length of the pitcher's box, which means that under Rule 12a, 14½ more inches of non-foul area are allowed in front and behind the stake with a 72 inch-lay out than in the case of a 43 inch lay-out. Maybe there are some who think that a shoe thrown three feet short which slides, tumbles, or rolls up to the stake should be a possible scoring shoe. I don't.

2. Rule 7a sets out the penalty for distracting an opponent by saying "both shoes of the offender shall be declared foul in the inning about which complaint is made." Surely, it must first be ruled, by somebody, that the complaint is valid before this penalty applies. For all I see

in the rules, a complaint is all that is required.

MAILBAG — (Continued)

3. Finally, the definition of a ringer in Rule 17 leaves something to be desired, I think. To touch both heel caulks and still clear the stake with a straight edge would seem to mean that you should have the possibility of seeing daylight between the stake and the straight edge. But when you bear in mind that the stake is inclined 3 inches, this daylight possibility is a precarious thing to gauge if the shoe is directly behind the stake. In this case checking the bottom rather than the top of the shoe can make a difference in whether there is claimable "clearance". In my opinion, a more straight-forward and simple definition would be to eliminate the words "and permit clearance of the stake."

Very truly yours, Ed Tveden

RICHMOND AND DRURY WIN WINTER HAVEN, FLA. DOUBLES

Marv Richmond and Ken Drury from Bradenton won the Doubles Tournament at the City Courts. Henry Mullet and Bill Riley were runner-up. Both teams had 4 wins and one loss after regular play. The champions were decided by a play-off game. All games played were 50 points cancellation. Trophies were presented to the winners and runner-up in each class. Complete results are as follows:

CLASS A	W/L	CLASSB	W/L
M. Richmond, Bradenton	4-1	P. Gallant, St. Cloud	4-1
H. Mullet, Sarasota	4-1	R. Singer, Sebring	4-1
C. Steinfeldt, Clearwater	3-2	K. Reeb, Winter Haven	4-1
M. Broughton, Tampa	1-4	P. O'Toole, Bradenton	2-3
D. Ferguson, Sarasota	0-5	J. Peterson, Orlando	1-4
		F. Roll, Winter Haven	0-5
	CLA	SS C	
F. Wagner, Winter Haven E. Colgan, Clearwater	7-0	G. Buskey, Clearwater	3-4
J. Fourman, Sebring	5-2	M. Jaquette, Sebring	
C. Larson, St. Cloud	4-3	M. Myhre, Bradenton F. Bogardus, Sebring	2-5
J. West, Winter Haven	4-3	S. Monk, Sebring	0-7

PETERSON VICTOR IN TITUSVILLE, FLA. LEGION TOURNEY

A beautiful sunny day in Titusville, Florida was the scene for the American Legion Post 1 tournament. It was a well conducted meet by the host club. A delicious chicken barbeque with cooling refreshments were served by the club. The courts are to be re-built and soon will be the finest in the state.

CLASS A — Peterson, 5-0-51.8; Gaudette, 3-2-43.0; Gallant, 3-2-41.6; Christian, 3-2-41.3; Rodrique, 1-5-33.1; Warner, 0-5-32.5.

CLASS B — Fuller, 4-1-34.9; Larsen, 4--32.4; Anderson, 3-2-32.5; Wagner, 3-2-32.4; Davis, 1-4-22.2; Trevarton, 0-5-20.5.

CLASS C — Cevasco, 6-1-27.7; Ellingson, 5-2-24.3; Stevens, 5-2-22.3; Perkins, 5-2-19.4; Senecal, 3-4-20.3; Huntsman, 2-5-18.9; Armentrout, 2-5-8.0.

COMING EVENTS

1978 - 79 FLORIDA STATE SCHEDULE

All tournaments will be NHPA sanctioned. All players must hold a current NHPA and State membership card. For 2-day tournaments, pitchers under 40% will pitch on the first day. 40% and over will pitch the second day. Send \$5.00 entry fee to reach appropriate tournament director 7 days before tournament date. All players will pay the scorekeeper 25 cents at the start of each game where indicated in the schedule listed below, in addition to the entry fee.

Feb. 2-3 - Pinellas County Open, Seminole, Florida. Contact A.

Feb. 3 - St. Cloud Open, St. Cloud, Florida. Contact L.

Feb. 10 - Orlando Open, Sunshine Park, Orlando, Florida, Players pay scorekeepers 25 cents before each game.

Feb. 10 - Sarasota Open, Bee Ridge Park, Sarasota, Florida, Contact C.

Feb. 17 - Polk County Open, Winter Haven, Florida. Players pay scorekeepers 25 cents before each game. Contact

Feb. 25 - Titusville Open (Sunday) Titusville, Florida, Players pay scorekeepers 25 cents before each game. Contact H.

Feb. 23-24 - Suncoast Open, Bradenton, Florida. Contact G.

Mar. 2-3 - Strawberry Festival Open, Plant City, Florida. Contact F.

Mar. 10 - Highland County Open, Sebring, Florida. Contact K.

Mar. 10 - Carl Steinfeldt Handicap, Ed Wright Park, Clearwater, Florida, Contact I.

Mar. 16-17 - Seminole Pow-Wow, Seminole, Florida. Contact A.

Mar. 17 - Heart of Florida Open, Sunshine Park, Orlando, Florida. Players pay scorekeepers 25 cents before each game. Contact E.

March 23-24 - DeSoto Open, Bradenton, Florida. Contact G.

Mar. 24 · Central Florida Open, Winter Haven, Florida. Players pay scorekeepers 25 cents before each game. Contact D.

Mar. 30-31 - Fun 'N Sun Festival, Ed Wright Park, Clearwater, Florida. Contact I.

Apr. 7 - Non-Resident Florida Championship, Plant City, Florida. Players pay scorekeepers 25 cents before each game. Contact F.

Apr. 8 - New Smyrna Open, New Smyrna Beach, Florida. Players pay scorekeepers 25 cents before each game. (Sunday tournament). Contact J.

Apr. 14 - Bee Ridge Open, Bee Ridge Park, Sarasota, Florida. Contact C.

Apr. 21 - Florida State Tournament (Closed) Bradenton, Florida. Contact B.

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

Feb 16-17-18 - Valley of the Sun* Mar. 17 - Snowbird Open

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

ALABAMA SCHEDULE

March 24 - Icebreaker Open, Huntsville, Alabama. Contact Ose Veesey.

April 21 - Dogwood Open, Huntsville, Alabama Contact Ose Veesey May 5 - Opelika Open, Opelika, Alabama, Contact

W.J. Calhoun. May 19 - Huntsville, Classic, Huntsville, Alabama,

Contact Ose Veesey. June 23 - 4th Northern Alabama Regional Open. Huntsville, Alabama. Contact Ose Veesey.

July 7 - Boys Ranch Roundup Open, Selma,

July 21 - High Temp Open, Huntsville, Alabama. Contact Ose Veesey.

Sept. 1-2 - Alabama State Championship, Huntsville, Alabama. Contact Ose Veesey.

Sept. 22 - Madison County Championship, Huntsville. Alabama. Contact Ose Veesey.

Oct. 13 - Cotton Picken Open, Huntsville, Alabama. Contact Ose Veesey

Oct. 20 - Homewood Open, Homewood, Alabama. Contact Barbara Wolfe.

Coming Events-Continued

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SCHEDULE

Feb. 11 — Hollingsworth Open, 12 noon, Pomona.
Feb. 12-18 — Valley of the Sun Open, Mesa, Arizona, Pioneer Park Courts.

Feb. 25 - Norm Smith Doubles, (Club) 12 noon,

South Gate.

Mar. 11 — 36% & Under, HCP, 12 noon, 50 shoe count all. San Berdu.

Mar. 18 — 52% & Under HCP, 12 noon, 50 shoe count all, San Berdu.

Mar. 25 — Burbank Doubles, 12 noon, Burbank. Apr. 1 — Class "C" HCP, 12 noon, San Berdu.

Apr. 7-8 - Calico Open, Yermo.

Apr. 21 — John Walker Doubles, 12 noon, San Diego. Apr. 22 — Class "A" & "D" Open, 12 noon, San Diego. Apr. 29 — Louie Dean Doubles, 12 noon, Orange.

May 6 — Women & Boys & "B" & "E", 12 noon, South Gate.

May 20 — Fernando Isais Open, 12 noon, Orange. May 26-27 — Birkenbach Memorial (Club), Baldwin

June 3 — Haigh Day Doubles, 12 noon, San Berdu. June 10 — Double Your Money HCP, 12 noon, South Gate.

June 17 — C. Bennett Doubles (Club), 12 noon, Pomona.

June 24 — Beller Open, "B" & "C" & "D" & "E" & "F" & Women's & Boys Open, 10 A.M. South Gate.
June 30 — Sem. Naut. "C" & "D" Open, 10 A.M. Santa

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July 1 — Sem. Naut. "A" & "B" Open, 10 A.M., Santa

Barbara.

July 8 — Class "C" Open, Women & Boys HCP, 12 noon, Orange.

July 15 — 44% & Under HCP, 50 shoe count all, South Gate, 12 noon.

July 22 — Burbank Open, 50 shoe count all, Burbank. 12 noon.

July 29 — Archie Gregson Doubles, 12 noon, Burbank. Aug. 5 — 32% & Under HCP, Pomona.

Aug. 11 — Jerry Schneider Doubles, 12 noon, San Diego.

Aug. 12 — Class "B" & "E" HCP, 12 noon, San Diego.
 Aug. 19 — W. Shipley Champ. Doubles, 12 noon, South Gate.

Aug. 26 — 36% & Under, 12 noon, South Gate.

Sept. 1-2 — California State Championship, Stockton. Sept. 9 — Champ. "C" & "F" HCP., 12 noon, South Gate.

Sept. 16 — Class "B" HCP, 12 noon, 50 shoe count all, San Berdu.

Sept. 23 — 32% & UNder, HCP, 12 noon, 50 shoe count all, Burbank.
 Sept. 28-29-30 — World Invitational, Pomona Fair,

Pomona. Oct. 6-7 — Barstow Open, 12 noon, Barstow.

Oct. 14 — Champ. "A" & "D" & Boys, 12 noon, South Gate.

Oct. 20 — Jesse Gonzales Doubles, 12 noon, San Diego.

Oct. 21 — Double Your Money, 12 noon, San Diego.
Oct. 28 — Champ. "B" & "E" & Women, 12 noon,
South Gate.

Nov. 4 — John Gordon Open, 12 noon, Orange.
Nov. 11 — Lowell Gray Turkey Doubles, 12 noon, Pomona.

Nov. 18 — Harry Morin Doubles, 12 noon, San Berdu. Dec. 1 — Annual Awards Dinner and Annual Meeting.

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