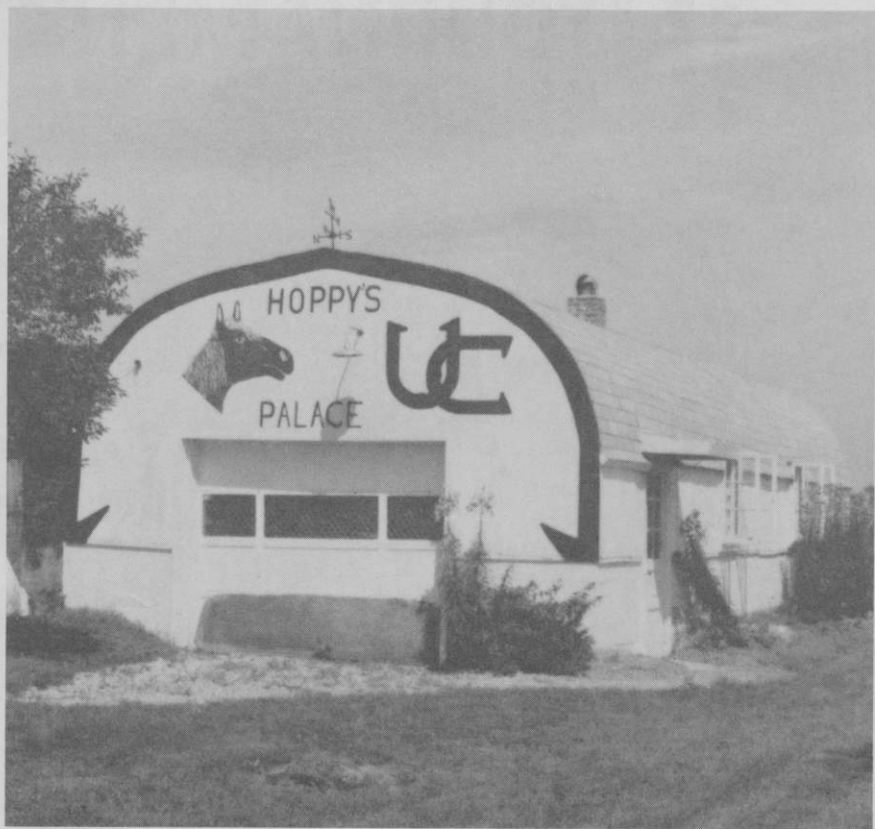


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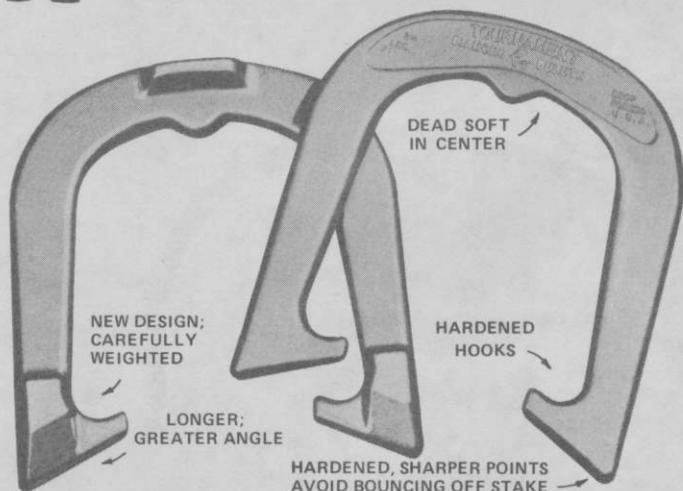
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## NHPA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Wally Shipley

On behalf of the NHPA and horseshoes, thanks and congratulations to the Shelbyville, Illinois and Ainsworth, Nebraska horseshoe clubs for the floats they entered in their respective parades. Pictures were on the cover of the News Digest's January issue. A job well done by all who were responsible. What an excellent way to publicize our sport in your local areas.

Sorry we overlooked the deletion of the raised foul lines in the latest revised NHPA Constitution and By-Laws of January 1981. At the 1979 convention, the foul line issue was not a proposed By-Law change. It was brought up under New Business as a safety hazard; whereby it was overlooked when we submitted the last two year By-Law changes in updating the book.

Attention State Secretaries and Regional Directors — Claude White and Donnie Roberts would appreciate your replies quickly to their requests concerning information, reports and supplies needed. We need your cooperation or the NHPA cannot perform its duties the way in which you would like us to.

As I said in the January issue, I will be running for re-election in 1981. In addition, Leo McGrath, 1st Vice President, and Earl Winston, 3rd Vice President, are seeking another term.

THEY BOTH HAVE MY TOTAL SUPPORT AND BACKING. I WOULD APPRECIATE IF ALL THREE OF US COULD HAVE YOUR SUPPORT AND VOTES FOR OUR RE-ELECTION AT THE 1981 CONVENTION IN GENOLA, MINNESOTA.

Sorry this is a short message. Time ran out on me for the first time in 7½ years.

Before Christmas I had that terrible flu and was off work and down for seven days. Then came Christmas. After my marriage on December 28th, Sally and I went on a honeymoon.

At this time I am planning on attending the Clearwater, Florida Invitational Tournament on March 27, 28 and 29.

## WORLD TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE HARD AT WORK

By George Nick

**Believe it or Not** — Here we are well into 1981. Only five months left until the largest and best World Tournament ever. As the Chairman of the 1981 WHT Committee, I want every pitcher and fan to know that our Committee is totally committed to providing just that. With the Preimesberger Arena, we have a big advantage in reaching this goal.

In this and future issues, details regarding all aspects of the tournament will be published, including information regarding the availability of ads, bumper stickers, admission buttons, etc. We appreciate the response we have had from "Friends of Horseshoe." I urge those who have not done so, to send their donations to Mable Nelson, Sec/Tres. 1981 WHT Committee. Her address is 3957 - 29th Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55406.

Horseshoe Pitchers from across the United States and Canada have visited and participated in the tournaments at Genola. Like all of use, they, too, are impressed by the beautiful Priemesberger Arena.

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*COVER PICTURE...* Featured this month is the indoor courts built by Harry Hopkins of Piqua, Ohio. There are two courts within this facility which is 50 feet long. He has a winter league pitching on Monday and Wednesday evenings with 5 men playing each evening. They use the 50-shoe Count-all system with a handicap. (See accompanying story elsewhere in this issue).

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## FEBRUARY PUBLICITY — NOVICE SPRING TOURNAMENTS

By Bernard Herfurth

March and April will see the beginning of Spring for those of us in the "snow belt" and the beginning of the outdoor season.

Our sport has been greatly in need of more organized participants. However, our NHPA sanctioned handicap leagues have been gaining each year. It is the most promising system of getting the "back yard players" and absolute beginners into organized activity.

It has been suggested that "Novice Tournaments" be held early in the spring in an attempt to get more new faces into local clubs, state associations and the NHPA. It should be planned along the lines of a "clinic" using the following suggestions: a minimum of 4 courts can be used and conducting 4-6 or 8-man round robins. Participants should not have previously been in any organized pitching. It is permissible, however, to have women, boys and girls pitching 30 feet, to pitch against me at 40 feet, after watching them throw a few shoes. Also you may put those who are throwing some kind of a "turn" into one class and those who are unable to keep their shoes in the clay area into a second class. Remember, have it understood that it is a "fun tournament" to get them started. Have experienced pitchers around to offer suggestions and tips to the novice pitchers.

Plan to play short games of 15, 20, and 25 points to start with. Teach the new players how to keep score. The player that does not make a score can mark down the score as the game proceeds. It has been tried and works reasonably well.

It is urged to have the novice tournament early so as to get the new players into the NHPA handicap leagues. If you do not have a NHPA league in your area, plan to start one. The NHPA gives back more in awards than it takes in, but the results are worth the cost in new players.

For information on organizing leagues contact: Russ Gadoury, 44 Edward Road, Watertown, Mass. 02172 who is the NHPA League Coordinator.

Please send the names and addresses of all novice tournament participants to: **Bernard Herfurth, 17 Fort St., Northampton, Mass. 01060** who will send each of them a letter from the NHPA.

The NHPA and Publicity Committee congratulates and extends their thanks to the Shelbyville, Illinois Club, namely Pete Ankin and Jesse White for taking second prize for their club's float in the Jaycees parade which displayed the banner, "Pitch Horseshoes for Health". Also thanks to the Ainsworth, Nebraska club that entered a float in the Johnson, Nebraska Labor Day parade. It was timing on the part of these two clubs to give our sport publicity.

Our NHPA President, Wally Shipley, is correct in stating that the general public is not interested in our sport as we not present it. Very little has been changed in our sport in the past 50 years. As the NHPA Publicity Director, I want to go on record as stating that our sport needs a new image and format if we are to make our sport more interesting. Otherwise it will make little or no progress in the years to come.

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## CLEARWATER, FLORIDA INVITATIONAL TO BE TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

Planning a Florida vacation? Why not schedule it to coincide with Clearwater's U.S. Invitational on March 27, 28 and 29, 1981 during Fun 'N Sun Festival Week? Top ranking 8-man grop will compete concurrent with top ranking 8-woman group. Sponsors for the tournament include Clearwater's Chief Charley's Restaurant, NHPA, Florida State Assn. and the Clearwater Horseshoe Club.

### MEN'S TOURNAMENT

Elmer Hohl, Canada  
 Jim Knisley, Ohio  
 Dan Kuchcinski, Ind.  
 Mark Seibold, Ind.  
 Ralph Simon, Iowa  
 Carl Steinfeldt, Fla.  
 Walter Ray Williams, Jr., Cal.  
 Al Zadroga, Pa.

### WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT

Ruth Hangen, N.Y.  
 Deborah Michaud, Mass.  
 Phyllis Negaard, Minn.  
 Opal Reno, Ohio  
 Helen Roberts, Ohio  
 Bonnie Seibold, Ind.  
 Lorraine Thomas, N.Y.  
 Vicki Winston, Mo.

Competing with World Champion Walter Ray Williams, Jr. will be four former World Champions in the men's tournament. Pitching against Women's World Champion Opal Reno will be six former World Champions. Tournament schedule follows:

March 27 - 10:30 AM — Ladies 8-player round robin tournament.  
 2:00 PM — Men's 8-player round robin tournament.  
 March 28 - 10:30 AM — Men's 8-player round robin tournament.  
 2:00 PM — Ladies final 6-player ladder tournament.  
 March 29 - 1:30 PM — Men's final 6-player ladder tournament.

"Friends of Horseshoes" may contribute to offset expenses of hosting this tournament by sending donation to Clearwater Horseshoe Club, 1908 Nugget Dr., Clearwater, Fl. 33515.

## O'FALLON, MISSOURI LEAGUE SEASON REPORT FOR 1980

The O'Fallon Horseshoe League of Missouri consists of 41 members distributed among 6 teams. 6 to 9 members per team. League play was conducted on Tuesday evenings for 15 weeks on 6 lighted clay courts. 10 games per team were played each Tuesday utilizing doubles play. Method of play was 50 shoe count-all, 80% handicap (each player pitched 25 shoes per game).

Most improved player award was determined by the most points per game improvement each player attained after first establishing an average after 15 games pitched.

A league tournament was not conducted, but members were assigned to 8 classes based on their ringer percentage established after pitching 15 games. Players then competed in their assigned class based on their own merit during normal league play.

Area tournament achievements by league members include — Wally Dunlap First Place Class E Wellsville, MO.; Don Moore First Place Class D Wellsville, MO.; Don Moore First Place Class J Missouri State Championship.

A great amount of appreciation should be given to the NHPA and in particular to Russell Gadoury the NHPA LEAGUE Coordinator, for providing leadership and organization in the promotion of the NHPA and S State Sanctioned League and Club Program.

**Team Standings** — Sandbaggers, 102-43; American Fence, 90-56; Ted's Meats, 78-69; Safety Kleen, 75;70; The Stuffed Shirts, 61-82; Elks Club, 30-116.

**League Champions** — Sandbaggers: **League High Game Scratch** — Maurice Gaddy, 56 points, Sandbaggers; **League High Average** — Leonard Stulce, 36.7 percent, American Fence. **League High Game Handicap** — Maurice Gaddy, 62 points, Sandbaggers. **Most Improved Player** — Don Moore, 4,616 points per game, Ted's Meats. **Player of the Year** — Don Moore, Ted's Meats.

**Class Champions** — Class A — Maurice Gaddy, 36.3%; Class B — Charles Killian, 32.0%; Class C — Bud Mackenberg, 28.2%; Class D — Don Moore, 29.3%; Class E — Bernie Pavia, 26.8%; Class F — Dave Stuart, 24.2%; Class G — Don Coggins, 22.2%; Class H — Junior Wiswonger, 17.1%.

## LEO MC GRATH CANDIDATE FOR RE-ELECTION AS 1ST V.P.

To the members of the NHPA, I will be a candidate for re-election as 1st Vice-President of the NHPA at the 1981 World Tournament Convention. It will be my earnest desire to work hard for the National Association and the welfare of our sport. I will welcome your support.

Leo McGrath  
1st Vice President

## MASSACHUSETTS HOLDS AWARDS BANQUET

By Bernard Herfurth

The annual Massachusetts Awards banquet was held on November 1 in Shewsbury, Mass. A warm welcome was given to the players from the Heritage Recreation who were in attendance. After which Ed Domey made some award presentations to this group.

The state champions present in each class were recognized. Special State Recognition Awards were made to Bernard Herfurth and Ed Courville.

All state officers were in attendance, Joe Guy, Russ Gadoury, Mike Deruches and Bernard Herfurth.

The Most Improved Players Awards went to Tom Courtney, Barbara McNeill, and Brenda McNeill.

Bernard Herfurth, Mass. state Hall of Fame Chairman, presided in the introduction of Charles Richardson of Orange, Mass. and Peter Shepard of Worcester, Mass., as an organizer, into the Massachusetts Hall of Fame. Many officials of the St. Pierre Mfg. Co. in attendance congratulated Shepard on being elected.

A Special Ward was presented to Mr. Henry St. Pierre, president of the St. Pierre Company of which Shepard is manager. The St. Pierre Company has sponsored tournaments and donated shoes to the Budweiser tournaments held at the Heritage Recreation. They also have given support to Shepard as Regional Director in New England.

The delicious smorgasboard dinner was enjoyed by over 100 members and guests. Dancing followed the awards program and dinner.

## 12 NEW COURTS NEARING COMPLETION AT FAIRMONT, W.VA

By Charles H. Bunner

On this 4th day of December, 1980, the last horseshoe court, one of twelve located in the east Marion Recreational Facility was poured.

There is much to be accomplished, before the facility becomes operational, but at the rate the work has been going, it looks like the twelve court facility and also the many other recreational outlets will be ready sometime in the early 1981.

This writer believes that when completed the East Marion Recreational Facility, which may be reached from Interstate 79 into the east side of Fairmont, will be the second best development for the residents of Fairmont and Marion County.

It would appear that Fairmont and Marion County will be hosting the 1981 West Virginia State Tournament, which is to be held during the Labor Day Weekend, provided the light standards are erected, the fencing is up, the area is landscaped and the pits are clay filled and the stakes have been set.

Our County Commissioners and my fellow taxpayers are to be given much thanks toward the development of the East Marion Recreational Facility.

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**LaFalls Motel** — 900 S.E. 1st Street, Little Falls, MN 56345. 612-632-6693. 26 units.

**Super 8 Motel** — 300 N.E. 12 Street, Little Falls, MN 56345. 612-632-2351. 31 units. (includes cabins and kitchettes). Toll Free: 1-800-843-1991.

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**Holiday Inn** — Hwy. 371 S., Brainerd, MN 56401. 218-829-1441. 150 units, 300 beds. European plan, dining room, lounge, meals available, indoor pool, sauna.

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**Americana Inn** — 520 South Hwy. 10, St. Cloud, MN 56301. 612-252-8700. 64 units. (just S. of Hwy. 10 & 52) Sauna and indoor swimming pool, courtyard restaurant, cocktail lounge and coffee shop.

**Crosstown Motel** — 2920 Division, Hwy. 23, St. Cloud, MN 56301. 612-251-2550. 42 units, 2 rooms with kitchettes. (Jct. Hwy. 23, 52 & 152).

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**CAMP GROUND POLICIES:** Only renters will be allowed in camp grounds — pets must be leashed at all times. No mini bikes. No reservations — first come, first serve. (enough sites are available). Please help keep camp grounds clean by using trash containers. No mischievous acts will be tolerated. No soliciting of any kind in camp ground or arena grounds. Violators will be removed. Admission buttons will also be sold at camp entrance. Rules will be strictly enforced!!

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** James Preimesberger, 1711 St. Clair Avenue, St. Paul, MN, 55105. 612-698-9167.

**PLEASE NOTE:** We will not have rental units available. At this time, we are unable to come up with a reasonable price for individual cost per day. We would suggest renting a motor home and rent a lot in the campgrounds. Also check the list of private homes available and at St. Frances Christian Development Center, listed elsewhere in this issue.



## RUSS SWEENEY WINS DICK PALMER MEMORIAL—MASS.

The St. Moritz, Mass. Horseshoe Club wound up its' summer season with a cookout attended by more than 90 people on Sunday, Sept. 7. Russ Sweeney, who joined the Club late in the season, decided to enter the Tournament. Russ Gadoury, last year's winner, had to drop out due to a sprained ankle playing softball. Class A and B were played the morning of the cookout and E and F were played in the afternoon after the meeting. Classes C and D were played the previous Thursday, Sept. 4. Classes A, E, and F were three-man classes playing double round-robin schedule. The Club had 48 members this year of which 15 were new members.

Class B was won by Jerry Sullivan in a playoff with Nick Vafides. Class C was won by Whitey Bates in a playoff with Mario Campanelli. Whitey had his best game with a 60% ringer percentage, winning 35-4. Class D was won by Ed Harrington who won all his games. Class E was won by Dick Olson and F was won by Nate Bates.

During the summer there was league play both Monday and Tuesday nights. Team 3 on Monday won the team standings with 46 wins, 24 losses and 2 ties. This team just nosed out team 2 in an 8-team league the last night of the season. Harvey Lyons won high won-lost pct.; Bill Davis high ringer pct.; Al Powell and Ralph Elwood won high game with handicap—169.

The Tuesday night league was individual only. Jerry Sullivan won high won-lost pct. 36-15-2.691 and high game with handicap—176. Charley Bonani won high ringer pct.—58.1%. Whitey Bates was player of the year.

Club members brought food for the cookout which was paid for by the treasury. A meeting was held after the cookout. Whitey Bates was elected the new president replacing Bill Davis and Dick Olson was elected vice president. Bart Sargent remains secretary-treasurer. There was a cribbage match in the afternoon. The weather was beautiful.

**CLASS A** — Russ Sweeney, 3-1-52.6; Charley Bonani, 2-2-57.8; Bill Davis, 1-3-54.5.

**CLASS B** — Jerry Sullivan 4-1-38.5; Nick Vafides, 4-1-44.1; Tony Grassia, 3-2-35.9; Bill Galligan, 2-3-38.8; Joe Marinelli, 2-3-28.0; George Loring, 0-5-26.7; Playoff: Jerry Sullivan beat Nick Vafides, 39-34-34.2%.

**CLASS C** — Whitey Bates, 3-1-30.4; Mario Campanelli, 3-1-27.8; Clem Grassia, 2-2-28.9; Jim Tyrie, 1-3-30.2; Bart Sargent, 1-3-16.9. Playoff: Whitey Bates, 35 (60.7%); Mario Campanelli, 7 (25%).

**CLASS D** — Ed Harrington, 4-2-21.8; Harvey Lyons, 2-2-20.9; Ralph Elwood, 1-3-20.7; Bill Porter, 1-3-18.8.

**CLASS E** — Dick Olson, 3-0-17.2; Earl Healy, 1-2-16.2; Al Rowell, 0-2-18.7.

**CLASS F** — Nate Bates, 3-0-7.5; Tex Hubbard, 1-2-6.3; Mike Ruisco, 1-3-4.5.

## 16TH ANNUAL OHIO "SNOWBALL OPEN" SET FOR FEB. 7-8

For the sixteenth consecutive year the "SNOWBALL OPEN" will be the featured winter pitching event in Greenville, Ohio. Competitive pitching will start on Saturday, February 7 and Sunday, February 8 and continue on the 14th and 15th and 21st and 22nd at the Darke County Horseshoe Club's indoor courts located in the Darke Country Fair Grounds at the south edge of Greenville, Ohio.

The Courts will be open for qualifying on Saturday and Sunday, January 31 and February 1. Pitchers unable to qualify on these dates may mail in their Ringer percentages along with their \$6.00 entry fee. All entries must be received by Monday, February 2. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to place pitchers in classes as deemed appropriate.

The Snowball Open will be a sanctioned "Trophy" tournament, with trophies going to first and second place finishers 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.

Class "A" and "B" will pitch on Sunday, February 15. The \$6.00 entry fee checks should be made payable to the **Darke County Horseshoe Club** and mailed to: Fritz Worner, 150 Ridgeview Dr., Greenville, OH 45331.

The Tournament courts are in the Fairgrounds which is on Business Routes US 127 and Ohio Rt. 49. There will be a lunch stand at the courts with motel and restaurant accommodations nearby.

## GALESBURG NAT'L OPEN TITLE TO DARNOLD OF IOWA

Harold Darnold of Burlington, Iowa defeated defending champion Glen Henton 50-32 in the Galesburg Horseshoe Club's 22nd National Open Tournament at the Lincoln Park Courts to take the Class A title. Both were undefeated entering the final game.

Darnold placed 16th in Class A in the World Tournament held in Huntsville, Ala.

Ray Phillips of Magnolia, Ill. won the Class B. The Class C Championship went to G. Hintz of Batavia, Ill. Larry Bender of Muscatine, Iowa won the Class D title, Paul Mongerson of West Taylor Ridge, Ill. took Class E. Class F was won by Glen Robbins of Kewanee and Class G was won by Don Marx of Iowa City. Art Norris of Monmouth was the Class H Champion and Charley Werner of Galesburg took the Class I crown.

**CLASS A** — H. Darnold, Burlington, IA, 5-0; G. Henton, Maquoketa, IA, 4-1; B. Vandergriff, Fairfield, IA, 3-2; L. Ingersol, Mason City, IL, 1-4; S. Jackson, Burlington, IA, 1-4; E. Damarin, Peoria, IL, 1-4.

**CLASS B** — R. Phillips, Magnolia, IL, 4-1; L. Buell, Iowa City, 3-2; D. Swank, Toulon, IL, 3-2; A. Hampton, Iowa City, 3-2; J. Law, Gladstone, IL, 1-4; C. Janssen, Bensen, IL, 1-4.

**CLASS C** — G. Hintz, Bellwood, IL, 5-0; B. Neville, Tremont, IL, 4-1; B. Switzer, Peoria, IL, 3-2; D. Taylor, Galesburg, 2-3; J. Wiles, Avon, IL, 1-4; M. Utley, Chicago, IL, 0-5.

**CLASS D** — L. Bender, Muscatine, IA, 5-0; L. Gillespie, Tremont, IL, 4-1; B. Barnes, Toulon, IL, 3-2; R. Ellinger, Ipava, IL, 2-3; L. Long, Sterling, IL, 1-4; H. Goudy, Galesburg, 0-5.

**CLASS E** — P. Mongerson, West Taylor Ridge, IL, 4-1; C. Tisdale, IL, 4-1; E. Colgan, Wyoming, IL, 3-2; H. Durette, Peoria, IL, 3-2; H. Schumaker, IL, 1-4; E. Rosene, New Windsor, IL, 0-5.

**CLASS F** — Robbins, Kewanee, IL, 4-1; E. Reedy, Galesburg, 4-1; Partridge, Kewanee, IL, 3-2; Craig, Kewanee, IL, 3-2; D. Comingore, Galesburg, 1-4; E. Anderson, Galesburg, 0-5.

**CLASS G** — D. Marx, Iowa City, IA, 5-0; Cantrell, IL, 4-1; G. Rasmusen, Prophetstown, IL, 3-2; J. Davis, Columbus Jct., IA, 2-3; B. St. George, Monmouth, IL, 1-4; T. Davis, IA, 0-5.

**CLASS H** — A. Norris, Monmouth, IL, 4-1; M. Haun, IL, 4-1; Dykema, IL, 3-2; K. Burns, IL, 2-3; R. Harland, Kewanee, IL, 2-3; A. Carter, Bradenton, FL, 0-5.

**CLASS I** — C. Werner, Galesburg, 4-1; D. Reynolds, IL, 3-2; J. Sims, Galesburg, 3-2; T. Ronk, Abingdon, IL, 2-3; T. Mueller, IL, 2-3; DeVries, IL, 1-4.

## LEBOW UNDEFEATED, WINS TENNESSEE AUTUMN CLASSIC

O.D. Lebow of Knoxville, Tennessee was the titlist in the annual Autumn Classic held at the Jefferson City courts. The ringer averages were down due to having to pitch on sand courts. The new champion is a long time resident of 30 years in Tennessee and has won many tournaments in the pst in Tennessee, Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia and Ohio. For several years his job kept him out of competition. He is a very quiet and serious man when he is pitching.

**CLASS A** — O.D. Lebow, 5-0-64.3; D. Ward, 3-2-61.8; C. Montgomery, 3-2-60.7; R. Norwood, 2-3-62.5; T.R. Little, 1-5-59.6; S. Jackson, 1-5-55.2.

**CLASS B** — G. Whaley, 4-1-58.3; D. Stallings, 4-1-53.9; G. Lewis, 3-2-57.6; J.B. Wells, 3-2-54.6; J. Walker, 1-4-48.0; W. Grant, 0-5-41.5.

**CLASS C** — J. Hammitt, 5-0-50.7; L. Beach, 4-1-51.9; J. Shelton, 2-3-42.7; R. Ward, 2-3-33.0; Jr. Haire, 1-4-37.8; D. Jacobs, 1-4-29.1.

**CLASS D** — H. Self, 4-0-41.8; F. Gregg, 3-1-34.4; J. Smith, 2-2-30.3; R. Wilkey, 1-3-24.7; J. Davis, 0-4-13.0.

## TENN. STATE DOUBLES WON BY R. NORWOOD & G. WHALEY

Roger Norwood and Grady Whaley teamed up to win the annual Tennessee State Doubles tournament held at Elizabethton, Tennessee on October 4. At the end of regular play they were tied with Don Ward and Stanley Jackson with each team recording 5 wins and 1 loss. In the playoff it was Norwood and Whaley as champions.

**CLASS A** — R. Norwood, G. Whaley, 5-1; D. Ward, S. Jackson, 5-1; G. Lewis, D. Stallings, 2-4; J.B. Wells, O.D. Lebow, 0-6.

**CLASS B** — J. Shelton, W. White, 4-0; B. Grindstaff, R. Ward, 2-2; R. Hardin, C. Knight, 0-4.

## DUNKER WINS PLAYOFF FOR GRANITE VALLEY OPEN TITLE AT ORTONVILLE, MINN., LOIS BOSTAD, LADIES CHAMP

Leigh Dunker from Warner, So. Dakota won the play-off game over Don Schaunaman of Aberdeen, So. Dakota to win the Granite Valley Open title in the tournament held at Ortonville, Minn. Sept. 4. Tournament play was 50-shoe competition. Lois Bostad, the 1980 South Dakota Ladies champion won the women's Class A with 5 straight and averaging 52.8 percent.

**CLASS A** — Leigh Dunker, Warner, SD, 6-1-66.0; Don Schaunaman, Aberdeen, 6-1-60.0; Cliff Sorenson, Brookings, 4-3-65.4; Jerry Black, Fargo, ND, 4-3-58.0; Ron Beem, Lisbon, ND, 3-4-51.1; Will Gullickson, Moorehead, MN, 3-4-49.7; Ray Lust, Graceville, MN, 1-6-43.1; Henry Hallickson, Sioux Falls, SD, 1-6-40.0.

**CLASS B** — Henry Dornath, Fargo, ND, 6-1-59.7; Walt Osterberg, Brookings, SD, 5-2-56.3; Dave Evenson, Donnelly, 5-2-60.1; Laverne Fickbohm, Alcester, SD, 5-2-48.9; Walt Busse, Appleton, 3-4-47.7; Arlen Werken, Fargo, ND, 2-5-49.4; Walter Arndt, Fargo, ND, 1-6-47.4; Laverne Wipf, Madison, SD, 1-6-40.3.

**CLASS C** — Cliff Swayze, Wilmont, SD, 7-0-54.0; Norman Kroening, Morris, 6-1-50.3; Glen Werk, Donnelly, 4-3-48.6; Sig Armitage, Canby, 3-4-40.9; Mike Radiske, Maple Plain, 3-4-38.3; Earl Tiegs, Henderson, 3-4-37.7; Roland Jensen, Brookings, SaD, 1-6-46.3; Fran Paulsen, Ortonville, 1-6-37.4.

**CLASS D** — Dennis KJose, Alcester, SD, 6-1-46.3; Wendell Paulsen, Ortonville, 5-2-43.7; Erling Erickson, 5-2-44.3; Don Tiegs, Ortonville, 4-3-39.4; Del Bakeberg, Ortonville, 3-4-32.3; John Holt, 2-5-40.0; Ernest Baker, Alcester, SD, 2-5-35.4; Murray Arndt, Ortonville, 1-6-32.6.

**CLASS E** — Olaf Aspelund, Wilmot, SD, 6-1-38.3; Leonard Lipp, Aberdeen, SD, 5-2-38.0; Edwin Milbeck, Montevedio, 5-2-40.6; Bert Bertelson, Marvin, SD, 5-2-38.0; Gordon Schiltz, Rosholt, SD, 4-3-37.7; Walter Aspelund, Rosholt, 2-5-31.1; Larry Miller, Fargo, ND, 1-6-31.7; Kim Nagel, Brookings, SD, 0-7-28.9.

**CLASS F** — Jerome Newberg, Akron, IA, 5-2-33.7; Charles Harty, 4-3-41.4; Herb Schulz, Montevedio, 4-3-35.4; Harry Fillafer, Moorehead, 4-3-38.0; Ken Bernier, Kent, 3-4-34.0; Russ Nagel, Brookings, SD, 3-4-35.7; Bill Ninneman, Ortonville, 3-4-33.7; Clarence Bernier, Fargo, ND, 4-3-33.7.

**CLASS G** — John Brando, Marshall, 6-1-36.9; Marty Martin, Foreman, ND, 6-1-30.6; Delmar Gulbrandsen, Herman, 5-2-34.6; Gordon Timms, Marshall, 4-3-32.6; Bud Ernst, Twin Brooks, SD, 3-4-29.4; Charles Pies, Milbank, SD, 3-4-36.5; Jerry Werk, Herman, 1-6-25.1; Roger Paulsen, 0-7-28.9.

**CLASS H** — Laurence Craigmile, Canby, 6-1-33.7; Lloyd Adermann, Gwinner, 5-2-35.4; Mark Ninneman, Ortonville, 5-2-29.4; Bruce Smith, Big Stone City, SD, 5-2-30.6; Philip Krier, Elkton, SD, 3-4-31.7; Tim Gardner, Aberdeen, SD, 3-4-21.7; Leroy Diehl, 1-6-24.6; Dale Arndt, Eden Prairie, 0-7-21.4.

**CLASS I** — Mike Sharp, Odessa, 6-1-21.4; Gary Numsen, Alcester, SD, 5-2-25.7; Paul Sillman, 5-2-23.1; Larry Beardsley, Christine, ND, 4-3-21.4; Jon Ninneman, Morris, 4-3-16.0; Dale Bain, 2-5-18.3; Cliff Schrock, Appleton, 2-5-15.7; Leo Vetter, 1-6-14.6.

**CLASS J** — Doug Hai, Brookings, SD, 7-0-19.2; Dell Holty, 6-1-25.4; Luverne Hofhenke, 4-3-10.6; Tom Bretsch, 3-4-8.3; Darrell DeClercq, Aberdeen, SD, 3-4-12.9; George VanBriesen, Appleton, 2-5-12.3; Darrell Schulz, 2-5-5.7; Ross Tiegs, Ortonville, 1-6-5.4.

**LADIES CLASS A** — Lois Bostad, Sinia, SD, 5-0-52.8; Patti Bernier, Kent, 4-1-36.8; Rosella Kasperson, Sinia, SD, 3-2-4.0; Sandy Carlson, Moorehead, 2-3-34.8; Diane Bernier, Fargo, ND, 1-4-25.2; Marie Halleckson, Sioux Falls, SD, 0-5-32.4.

**LADIES CLASS B** — Ruth Anderson, Fargo, ND, 4-1-23.2; Thallis Jensen, Brookings, SD, 4-1-16.8; Donna Thomason, Lisbon, ND, 4-1-16.0; Marion VanBriesen, Appleton, 2-3-11.2; Donna Symanietz, Christine, ND, 1-4-10.0; Stella Peterson, 0-5-2.4.

## J. COLLINS ON TOP IN SIMPSONVILLE, S.C. TOURNEY

**CLASS A** — James Collins, 6-1-65.6; John Edmonds, 5-2-70.6; J.B. Fuller, 5-2-69.8; A.J. Nave, 5-2-69.0; Willie Stephens, 4-3-63.1; Bud Pressley, 1-6-60.0; David Burnette, 1-6-55.6; Roy Littrell, 1-6-55.1.

**CLASS B** — J.P. Reeves, 4-1-52.4; D. Peason, 4-1-46.8; J. Jones, 3-2-40.1; Bud Kuykendall, 3-2-35.3; D. Sartin, 1-4-34.4; James Cook, 0-5-33.9.

**CLASS C** — Keith Garrett, 4-0-44.7; D. Helton, 3-1-38.1; L. Frady, 2-2-35.8; D. Wynn, 1-3-25.5; Mike Gambrell, 0-4-20.1.

**CLASS D** — Earl Davis, 3-0-35.1; Kerry Gambrell, 2-1-34.3; M. Davis, 1-2-19.8; J. Roberts, 0-3-11.4.

## BOB MAY IN CLOSE CALL BUT WINS THANKSGIVING INDOOR OPEN AT RUSHVILLE, IND.—E. KINGMA BOYS' TITLIST

Bob May of Rushville, Indiana once again won the Class title in the annual Thanksgiving Indoor Open tournament held at the Rush Indoor courts in Rushville, Indiana on November 22-23. He lost one game to George Sales 30-35. Bob had 71.2 percent while George had 72.7 percent in that game. Eric Kingma had no problems in winning the Junior class with 5 wins and no losses with a 68.3 ringer average.

**CLASS A** — Bob May, Rushville, 6-1-67.8; Jim Kemple, Rushville, 5-2-65.6; Estel Bills, Connersville, 4-3-62.7; George Sales, New Castle, 4-3-62.3; Glenn Happes, Summitville, 3-4-60.9; John LeMond, Anderson, 3-4-59.2; Bob Sheppard, Rushville, 3-4-55.3; Floyd Karstens, Rushville, 0-7-28.7.

**CLASS B** — Hunter Dorman, Jasonville, 7-0-67.8; Tom Thayer, Hope, 5-2-59.3; Ed Hinshaw, Richmond, 5-2-52.7; Kenny Perkins, Rushville, 4-3-53.8; Jim Peirson, Mooresville, 3-4-47.9; Bob Henderson, Bloomfield, 2-5-48.0; Bob Wells, Deerfield, IL 1-6-45.3; Jim Crone, New Lisbon, 1-6-40.1.

**CLASS C** — Henry Franke, Centralis, 6-1-48.9; Dale Kirtley, Modoc, 6-1-42.5; Paul Peak, Indianapolis, 5-2-46.0; Larry Tunin, Indianapolis, 3-4-43.1; Harold Tatman, Greensburg, 3-4-41.5; Tim Tatman, Hartsville, 3-4-40.0; Gary Poindexter, Wolcott, 2-5-44.4.

**CLASS D** — Art Cornelius, Linton, 6-1-40.9; Max Gunion, Frankfort, 6-1-37.2; Bob Hill, Shelbyville, 5-2-38.4; Dennis Corey, Indianapolis, 3-4-36.4; Elmer Branson, Gaston, 3-4-31.7; Ray Myers, Centralia, 3-4-31.1; Jim Clark, Cayuga, 2-5-29.1; Olle Hubbard, 0-7-15.2.

**CLASS E** — Bob Prohaska, Porter, 5-1-33.3; Floyd Karstens, Rushville, 5-1-27.5; Luther Chondles, Indianapolis, 2-4-20.9; Jim Hawn, Coynga, 0-6-17.8.

**JR. CLASS A** — Eric Kingma, Lafayette, 5-0-68.3; Steve Bills, Connersville, 4-1-53.6; Jason Peck, Indianapolis, 3-2-36.9; Shelly Wells, Deerfield, IL, 2-3-26.6; Phil Bills, Connersville, 1-4-31.0.

## ALBANY, GEORGIA CLOSES SUCCESSFUL LEAGUE SEASON

The Albany (Georgia) Club, operating under the NHPA and State Sanctioned League Program, finished its 78 game season with a picnic and a 'shoot for the money' night at the horseshoe courts. After paying for the picnic and trophies, the club had a balance of \$90. The club members voted unanimously to repeat last year's program, i.e., pitch for the money. Several different type of games were played such as putting a can on top of the stake. if a player hit the can, he stayed in the game. This continued until all but one were eliminated. Winner received \$5. Other games included throwing a ringer on the opposite court using the club's handicap system, throwing left handed from 30', hitting the stake, etc. Children and ladies also competed with prizes of \$1 to the winners of their various events.

A highlight of the league was the build up of the jackpot for 10 straight nights. A name is drawn each night for a chance at \$4 if the lucky pitcher can throw a ringer under the club rules. (Pitcher over 60%, 1 for 1; 21 thru 30%, 1 for 2; 11 thru 20%, 1 for 3; under 11%, 1 for 4.) The jackpot built up to \$40. needless to say, the club had no absentees after the jackpot reached \$20. Tom Ellickson, a 12.6% pitcher, threw a ringer with his first shoe after 11 others had failed on the final night.

Bob Parsons, a 15.0% pitcher and the second half champion, won the club championship over Glen Portt, 70.3%, the first half winner. Other awards were:

High game with handicap — G.W. Kuck-NHPA patch plus \$5.00.

Most Improved Player Award — Terry Wells-NHPA buckle plus \$5.00.

Second half champion — Bob Parsons-Trophy plus \$10.00.

Tournament of Champions — G.W. Kuck-Trophy plus \$10.00.

Player of the Year Award — Roy Dunlap-NHPA patch plus \$10.00.

First half champion—Glen Portt-trophy plus \$10.00.

High average and high game, scratch — G. Portt-NHPA patch.

Overall, the league could be rated successful. This was evident when, on the final night, all 14 members stated they would be members in 1981.

## 10 FLA. CLUBS COMPETE IN AUTUMN INAUGRAL AT ORLANDO

Ten out of the eleven clubs in Florida took part in the season's first tournament held at Orlando, Florida on October 4th. Pete Peterson, the FHPA's new president was honored and happy even though he could not pitch due to a bad shoulder. Honors were spread out over the 7 towns represented.

First place was taken by Dick Ferguson of Sarasota in Class A; Marvin Brubb, of Titusville topped Class B; Stites from Bradenton won Class D; Paul Swartz of Clearwater won Class D; Rowe of Brooksville in Class E; Fleagle of S. Cloud, Class F and F. Hegemeier of New Smyrna, Class G.

**CLASS A** — Ferguson, Sarasota, 4-1-51.6; Cullum, Inverness, 3-2-53.3; Holland, Clearwater, 3-2-55.6; Scheub, Sarasota, 2-3-55.5; Thatcher, Brooksville, 1-4-51.6; Keegan, Live Oak, 1-4-46.0.

**CLASS B** — Grubb, Titusville\*, 5-2-46.4; Baldwin, St. Cloud, 5-2-55.6; Ellenberger, Orlando, 5-2-44.4; Morris, Lakeland, 5-2-50.6; Adams, Titusville, 4-3-49.4; Senger, Winter Haven, 2-5-41.9; Mullett, Sarasota, 2-5-39.1; Warner, Orlando, 0-7-40.0.

**CLASS C** — Stites, Bradenton, 6-1-36.4; West, Winter Haven, 5-2-39.0; Gaudette, New Smyrna, 4-3-40.2; Madren, Orlando, 4-3-41.5; Knotts, Port Orange, 4-3-38.4; Buskey, Clearwater, 3-4-34.4; Benton, Plant City, 2-5-29.0; Anderson, St. Cloud, 1-6-32.3.

**CLASS D** — Swartz, Clearwater, 4-1-43.3; Towell, Belle Glade, 3-2-40.9; Gillespie, Sarasota, 3-2-38.0; Ronemis, Bradenton, 3-2-31.9; Collins, Clearwater, 2-3-41.3; Friberger, Orlando, 0-5-27.5.

**CLASS E** — Rouse, Brooksville, 5-0-34.2; Wagner, Melbourne, 3-2-34.0; Falk, Orlando, 3-2-30.6; Davis, Seminole, 2-3-26.1; Gritske, Inverness, 2-3-25.1; Larson, St. Cloud, 0-5-13.5.

**CLASS F** — Fleagle, St. Cloud, 4-1-27.6; Hollar, St. Cloud, 3-2-30.4; Ellinson, New Smyrna, 3-2-29.4; Lines, De Land, 2-3-23.2; Monks, St. Cloud, 2-3-20.3; Berrall, Orlando, 1-4-26.4.

**CLASS G** — Hegemeier, New Smyrna\*, 4-2-25.3; Langhart, Orlando, 4-2-24.8; Hoyt, Orlando, 4-2-23.6; Estes, Orlando, 4-2-22.1; Clark, Orlando, 3-3-18.4; Rankin, Deland, 2-4-12.8; Patton, Brooksville, 0-1-1.0

## DENVER METRO CLUB COMPLETES LEAGUE SEASON

By Fran Roth

The Denver Metro Horseshoe Club completed its 7th season and had a very successful League with pitching on both Tuesday and Wednesday nights. It is also called our family fun night with 47 men, 8 women and 4 Jrs. as regular team members, and 12 men, 3 women and 4 Jrs. as alternates. We use the 50 shoe countall and 90% handicap. This is the 3rd year under the NHPA Sanctioned League Program and awards went to the following:

**LEAGUE CHAMPIONS:** Tuesday night: Duane Tarket & Dale Mosness, W/38-L/24. Wednesday night: Bob Buckley & Dean Jarmon, W/35½-L/18½.

**MOST IMPROVED PITCHER BY RINGER PERCENT GAINED FROM PREVIOUS YEAR:** Tues: Pete Pintor, gained 11.4 from 22.0 to 33.4. Wed: Glen Robeck, gained 9.7 from 24.6 to 34.3.

**MOST IMPROVED PITCHER BY AVERAGE POINTS GAINED FROM PREVIOUS YEAR:** Tue: Duane Tarket, gained 10.2 from 69.1 to 79.3. Wed: Lila Rasmussen, gained 11.9 from 21.7 to 33.6.

**CONSECUTIVE RINGER AWARD:** Tue: Kevin Stough (10). Wed: Tie, Paul LaCrosse & Jim Bustos each (9).

**HIGHEST RINGER % GAME SCRATCH:** Tue: Kevin Stough 74%. Wed: Paul LaCrosse 78%.

**HIGHEST POINT GAME SCRATCH:** Tue: Kevin Stough 123. Wed: Paul LaCrosse 126.

**HIGHEST POINT GAME HANDICAP:** Tue: Kevin Stough 182. Wed: Yvo Trainor 172.

**HIGHEST AVERAGE:** Tue: Kevin Stough 86.8. Wed: Paul LaCrosse 102.1.

**HIGHEST SEASON AVERAGE BY RINGER %:** Tue: Kevin Stough 47.7%. Wed: Paul LaCrosse 60.1%.

**ROOKIE OF THE YEAR:** Tue: Linda Mosness gained from 4.6% to 6.6% for 43.3% gained.

**SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD:** Tue: Del Toner. Wed: Leo Huls.

**ZADROGA WINS PENN. STATE TITLE — F. CARNAHAN, LADIES***(Late Report)*

**CLASS A** — A. Zadroga, Monongahela, PA, 15-0-78.5; Jim Solomon, Uniontown, PA, 14-1-79.9; Dan Beshore, 12-3-73.9; Jack Rainbow, Monaca, PA, 11-4-70.3; Ron Kuchcinski, Erie, PA, 9-6-72.6; Clyde Martz, Pitts., PA, 9-6-71.8; Don Kuchcinski, Erie, PA, 8-7-67.4; Casey Danner, Newell, PA, 8-7-64.0; Glenn Brown, Felton, 7-8-66.8; Clair Bruce, New Castle, PA, 6-9-66.9; Joe Kuchcinski, Erie, 5-10-60.6; Bob McKnight, New Castle, PA, 4-11-58.3; Herman Boyer, Beaver, PA, 4-11-53.6; Ed Blum, Darlington, PA, 3-12-55.9; Richard Maroni, Arnold, PA, 3-12-54.3; Rocky Collins, Warren, PA, 1-14-54.5.

**CLASS B** — Pete Vlachos, Bridgewater, PA, 6-2-59.9; Dick Carnahan, 5-3-60.2; Ron Carr, Warren, PA, 4-3-57.4; Don Ludwick, Sugar Grove, PA, 4-3-56.1; Ed Kuchcinski, Erie, PA, 4-3-51.6; Russ Welton, St. Marys, 3-4-60.2; Dick Wilson, 3-4-50.2; Frank Giampa, 0-7-42.5.

**CLASS C** — Sam Garwig, 7-1-56.2; Francis White, Erie, PA, 6-2-52.7; Ed Sell, Osterburg, PA, 5-2-45.9; Dave Maxwell, Clarendon, PA, 4-3-54.2; Joe Roebuck, Uniontown, PA, 4-3-48.1; David Meckeovic, Pitts., PA, 1-6-50.0; Earl Brown, Felton, PA, 1-6-36.9; Frank Giampa, 1-6-33.4.

**CLASS D** — Joe Geci, St. Marys, 6-1-50.9; Sam Turner, Warren, PA, 4-3-43.9; Joe Pagnanelli, Pitts., PA, 4-3-43.8; Roy Wellman, Erie, PA, 3-4-43.5; Kurt Von Kleist, Warren, PA, 1-6-37.2; Ed Sheare, 1-6-24.1.

**CLASS E** — George Rhea, Erie, PA, 6-1-51.5; Larry Brobeck, New Brighton, PA, 5-2-45.5; Deck Kolades, Baden, PA, 4-3-48.9; Wilmet Ness, 4-3-48.9; Jim Hall, 4-3-40.1; Ellsworth Warner, 3-4-40.6; Paul Kamont, Dallas, PA, 1-6-37.6; Harvey Hayes, 1-6-37.4.

**CLASS F** — John Antesberger, Altoona, PA, 6-1-45.5; Paul Decker, Beaver Falls, PA, 5-2-36.6; Jack Minter, East Butler, PA, 5-2-40.7; Ed Martinko, Markleysburg, PA, 51.9; Paul Beer, Erie, PA, 4-3-37.8; Harry Clement, Pitts., PA, 3-4-3.1; Jim Williams, Uniontown, PA, 1-6-20.5; Bon White, Erie, PA, 0-7-23.9.

**CLASS G** — Andy Fecik, Ambridge, PA, 7-0-40.0; Al Long, 5-2-32.7; Bill Geci, St. Marys, PA, 4-3-42.1; Paul Wentworth, 4-3-33.4; Gerard Harris, 3-4-31.7; Jim Danner, 3-4-24.7; Dick Tunney, 2-5-32.0; Joe Abbott, 0-7-21.0.

**CLASS H** — Clark Carnahan, 5-2-41.5; John Urbanc, 5-2-33.4; Henry Farnen, 4-3-32.4; Al Stoddard, 4-3-35.4; Bill Williams, 4-3-26.6; Taylor Carnahan, 3-4-28.4; Craig Allen, 3-4-28.4; John Pelegrinelli, 0-7-26.6.

**CLASS I** — Clarence Dixon, 7-0-42.9; Harry Clayton, 6-1-24.9; Ken Carlson, 4-3-32.9; Warren Moore, 3-4-32.3; Bob Hatfield, 3-4-34.6; Bill Henninger, 3-4-24.3; Marvin Sayers, 1-6-26.9; Orië Pudder, 1-6-21.1.

**CLASS J** — Wendell Carnacan, 6-2-28.6; Jim Kilby, 5-3-27.7; Paul Gray, 5-2-24.1; Ray Laskowski, 3-4-24.3; Ray Williamson, 3-4-23.1; Jim Danner, 3-4-22.9; Don Gaston, 2-5-17.7; Merle Alexander, 2-5-17.4.

**CLASS K** — Clair Beardsley, 6-1-23.0; Perk Mills, 5-2-27.1; Frank Bodnar, 4-3-16.9; Dick Carnahan, 3-4-25.4; Bruce Morrison, 3-4-24.4; Barry Crist, 3-4-16.9; George Kellogg, 2-5-19.7; Butch Stover, 1-6-16.9.

**CLASS L** — Russ Blystone, 6-2-17.3; Mark Vanord, 5-3-16.9; Ray Gruber, 4-3-17.0; Dennis Kirkpatrick, 4-3-10.0; Mick Ludwick, 3-4-19.0; Chuck Barrett, 3-4-13.4; Dave Henry, 2-5-12.2; Rich Thomas, 2-5-8.9.

**CLASS A WOMEN** — Frank Carnahan, 7-0-64.6; Luella Collins, 5-2-26.6; Linda Dexter, 5-2-20.0; Shirley Porter, 3-4-16.3; Darlene Marsh, 3-4-15.3; Joyce Spicer, 3-4-13.6; Suzanne Porter, 2-5-17.5; Connie Pudder, 0-7-6.5.

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## TOM TOWNE KING OF NEW MEXICO PITCHERS FOR 1980 NANCY ROWE REPEATS IN LADIES; M. GARCIA JUNIORS

Due to the illness and hospitalization of P.D. Riley, Regional Director, the New Mexico State tournament results were delayed.

For a change it was a pleasure to pitch in the New Mexico State tournament with nice weather prevailing, as in past years there has been winds, rain, sleet and sometimes snow and other dreary weather.

A new state champion was crowned, in the person of Tom Towne who mastered all comers with 9 straight wins held together with a 65.8 ringer average. Tom is no newcomer to the scene in New Mexico having won the state title back in 1967 and 1969. He was many other records in his book of memories. Nancy (Henson) Rowe retained her title as New Mexico Women's State Champion. M. Garcia was undefeated in the Junior class.

Eighty-eight players took part in the two weekend event representing 25 towns throughout New Mexico. There were many newcomers in the tournament.

Officers elected for the coming year are: Howard Bentz, President; Curley Saxton, 1st V.P.; Bob McGregor, 2nd V.P.; Shirley Cahill, Secretary; Bob Schuch, Treasurer and Marilyn Hanes, Publicity Dir.

**CLASS A MEN** — T. Towne, 9-0-65.8%, S. Hanes 8-1-64.2%, H. Bentz, 6-3-48.7, D. Hanes 5-4-44.8, B. Landrum 5-4-50.8, J. Otterbach, 5-4-39.6, E. Saton, 4-5-49.4, F. Romero, 2-7-39.1, O. Henson, 1-8-39.3, E. Pulliam 0-9-20.6.

**CLASS B MEN** — M. Miller 9-1-52.2, L. Montoys 8-2-47.9, R. Wilson 8-2-47.6, R. Shoemaker 6-4-47.5, D. Pasono 6-4-42.6, R. Priddy, 6-4-41.8, M.J. Martin 5-5-41.3, C. Herrera 2-8-33.9, H. Larvingo, 4-6-33.8, L. Williams Forfeit, L. Ebarugh Forfeit.

**CLASS C MEN'S GROUP A** — C. Wilcox 9-0-35%, S. Stockton, 6-3-36.1, K. Bishop, 5-4-34, W. Tyler 3-6-31.1, H. Russell 4-5-30.4, K. Bodley 4-5-29.9, W. Heerde, 5-4-29.6, D. Valdez 6-3-29.3, J. Sumrall, 1-8-21.0, J. Franklin 2-7-18.2.

**CLASS C MEN'S GROUP B** — M. Nied, 8-1-43.8, E. Mason 7-2-37.3, D. Branch 7-2-30], M. Cahill 7-2-35.4, B. Schuch 5-4-26.1, D. Luna, 5-4-29.5, C. Bodley, 3-6-24.5, J. Bishop 2-7-26.8, L. Davis, 1-8-21.4 B. Skeen 0-9- Forfeit.

**CLASS D MEN** — D. Gaunt 9-1-29.1, D. Padillz, 7-3-25.6, R. Towne, 1-9-10-2, E. McGregor 0-10-12.3 G. Bartelt, 5-5-24.3, T. Gallegos, 7-3-24.6, T. True, 3-7-22.4, T. Caviggia, 3-7-20.4, B. Cruz 5-5-27.6, G. Lucero 9-1, 39.2, J. Santivesteven 6-4-22.2

**CLASS E MEN** — (35 point games) S. Ezell 10-1-15.0, R. Keelling 9-2-20.3, B. Campbell 9-2-16.9, D. Hoefel 8-3-14.9, A. Bishop 6-5-14.0, J. Farmer 5-6-11.1, J. Fisher, 5-6-13.5, B. Loyd 5-6-8.4, J. Bogle, 5-6-12.7, D. Hayworth 2-9-7.0, G. Newfield, Forfeit, J. Vigil, Forfeit.

**LADIES CLASS A** — (35 point games) N. Rowe, 7-2-42.2, G. Adkins, 7-2-41.6, An. Vigil 7-2-40.4, L. Wood 6-3-38.34, R. Carson 5-4-32.9, P. Adams, 5-4-35.7, M. Hanes 4-5-29.9, T. Pasono, 3-6-20.6, R. Larvingo 1-8-19.4, K. Bishop 0-9-12.9.

**LADIES CLASS B** — (25 point games), P. Henson 7-0-17.5, D. Bogle 4-3-9.2, M. Ezell 3-4-6.0, K. Campbell, 2-5-7.4, C. Gardner Forfeit.

**JUNIOR CLASS A** — M. Garcia, 5-0-31.4, T. Towne, 4-1-18.3, M. Saiz, 8.13, R. Keelling, Jr. 2-3-15.3, T. True, Jr., 1-4-15.1, A. Newfield, 0-5-3.4.

**JUNIOR CLASS B** — D. Caviggia, 6-1-18-9, T. Towne 5-2-26.7, M. Hanes 4-3-14.9, J. Summerhil 1-6-3.4.

## HARRY HOPKINS OPENS NEW INDOOR HORSESHOE COURTS

A new indoor horseshoe pitching facility is now in operation with a league playing on Monday and Wednesday evenings consisting of five men on each night. The courts are located at Harry Hopkins residence, 7385 North Troy-Sid road, Piqua, Ohio 45356.

It is completely insulated and heated. Also there is a shuffleboard court on half of the interior. They pitch into 2x4 boxes resting on a rug. The other court is cement, however.

The 50-shoe Count-all method of play is used. At present only 5 men play on Monday and Wednesday. A donation of \$1.50 is paid by each man per night playing four games. The league schedule is for 16 weeks. The proceeds are used for purchasing 3 trophies for each group as well as paying for the chicken served at the pot-luck dinner at the end of the season.

There is a playoff using men from both nights and putting them into classes.

## R. KUCHCINSKI WINS KINZUA COUNTY, PA. CLASSIC

**CLASS A** — Ron Kuchcinski, 9-9-63.6; John Mathys, 7-2-59.3; Bob McKnight, 6-3-56.9; Melvin Burkett, 6-3-55.1; Joe Kuchcinski, 5-4-56.4; Joe Carter, Ohio, 5-4-49.5; Len Berggren, N.Y., 3-6-56.9; Rich Maroni, 2-7-52.2; Don Kuchcinski, 2-7-44.7; Homer Frampton, 1-8-44.1.

**CLASS B** — Russ Welton, 6-1-60.5; Don Ludwick, 5-2-57.3; Ed Blum, 4-3-55.8; Vince Sedlacek, 4-3-54.0; Glen Sebring, 3-4-48.7; Tom Kuchcinski, 3-4-47.1; Ron Carr, 2-5-53.3; Steve Kuchcinski, 1-6-44.3.

**CLASS C** — Al. Smith, 6-2-58.3; Dave Maxwell, 5-3-50.2; Rocky Collins, 4-3-56.7; Al. Conklin, 4-3-46.7; Joe Geci, 3-4-47.5; Bill Williams, 3-4-41.9; Tony Cusimano, 3-4-39.7; Kurt Von Kliest, 1-6-48.4.

**CLASS D** — Ed. Horneman, 6-1-47.3; George Hale, 5-2-47.9; Ed. Kuchcinski, 4-3-45.7; Kurt Von Kliest, 4-3-43.3; John Ludwig, East Liverpool, Ohio, 3-4-42.5; Dick Mudgett, N.Y., 3-4-38.8; George Rhea, 2-5-38.1; Paul Wentworth, 1-6-29.5.

**CLASS E** — Spike Spicer, 5-2-43.8; Harvey Hayes, 5-2-36.0; Ellsworth Warner, 5-2-36.3; Chet Dennison, 4-3-41.9; Homer Frampton, 4-3-39.0; Chuck Dickinson, 3-4-35.7; Ken Hopkins, 1-6-30.3; Robert White, 1-6-24.8.

**CLASS F** — Don Waite, 7-0-42.9; Jim Hall, 5-2-35.7; Clark Carnahan, 4-3-37.6; Don Harris, 4-3-34.1; Willie Burch, 4-3-26.8; Craig Allen, 2-5-22.5; John Pelegrinelli, 1-6-25.9; Al. Stoddard, 1-6-23.9.

**CLASS G** — Taylor Carnahan, 7-0-36.7; Ray Laskowski, 5-2-25.3; Ray Williamson, 4-3-31.5; John Marusa, 3-4-27.5; John Paplia, Jr., 3-4-26.7; Wendell Carnahan, 3-4-22.9; Malcolm Todd, 2-5-17.4; Merle Alexander, 1-6-15.2.

**CLASS H** — Ben Biss, 6-1-25.1; Dick Carnahan, 5-2-24.0; Perk Mills, 5-2-20.5; Charley White, 4-3-14.0; Duane Johnson, 3-4-20.0; Ron Byers, 3-4-16.6; Barry Crist, 2-5-16.0; Clair Beardsley, 0-7-15.4.

**CLASS I** — Paul Gray, 7-0-20.9; Frank Bodnar, 6-1-23.1; Lisle Weston, 5-2-23.7; Russ Blystone, 4-3-12.7; Frye William, 2-5-15.4; Don Carnahan, 2-5-10.6; Herman Blakley, 2-5-9.4; Dwight Wetzell, 0-7-8.0.

**CLASS A WOMENS** — Linda Dexter, 4-1-23.2; Joyce Spicer, 4-1-12.7; Luella Collins, 3-2-19.6; Sheridan Dagan, 2-3-18.0; Shirley Porter, 2-3-16.0; Sue Porter 0-5-5.2.

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Gary Minnick skimmed over Bill Kamm in a 50-47 game to win the playoff for his third straight tournament victory in the Arizona winter season schedule. B. Christianson was undefeated in the Ladies division winning all five of her games and averaging 36.8 percent.

**CLASS A** — G. Minnick 4-1-57.1; W. Kamm 4-1-55.5; F. Ash 3-2-62.3; J. Walker 2-3-57.5; L. Fitzpatrick 2-3-53.4; A.W. Smith 0-5-50.6;

**CLASS B** — J. McKissack 5-0-51.4; E. Wilkinson 4-1-45.5; A. Erickson 3-2-40.8; G. Miller 2-3-44.7; M. Larkins, Sr. 1-4-38.0; L. Hannah 0-5-37.0

**CLASS C** — A.L. Johnson 4-1-40.8; L. Montaney 3-2-45.5; F. Green 3-2-42.1; W. Courtwright 2-3-45.5; O. Kubal 2-3-41.4; J. Vitton 1-4-42.9

**CLASS D** — W. Richard 4-1-43.2; B. Bissell 4-1-42.7; L. Wildman 2-3-41.7; J. Stablyk 2-3-37.4; E. Smith 2-3-35.7; G. Mughmaw 1-4-31.2

**CLASS E** — J. Northrup 5-0-40.3; W. Andrews 4-1-37.9; W. Jones 2-3-32.9; H. Markwardt 2-3-32.0; M. Bridges 2-3-31.3

**CLASS F** — L. Ferrin 5-0-43.7; R. Weber 3-2-34.5; R. Gueck 2-3-33.7; M. Bishop 2-3-32.0; A. Ayers 2-3-31.7; W. Vanzanten 1-4-29.9

**CLASS G** — R. Benbow 4-1-26.1; R. Haley 3-2-32.8; L. Friesen 3-2-27.7; M. Larkins, Jr. 2-3-28.2; E. Dachtler 2-3-19.6; W. James 1-4-24.6

**CLASS H** — C. Johnson 4-1-43.6; M. McKissack 4-1-37.9; V. Ioerger 3-2-33.4; J. Hoaglin 2-3-34.7; W. Roberts 2-3-26.0; B. Swickard 0-5-30.4

**CLASS I** — R. Jones 5-0-33.1; W. Forrester 4-1-41.3; W. Kjellberg 3-2-36.4; M. Johnson 2-3-32.7; C. Roe 1-4-30.5; M. Glennie 0-5-21.4

**CLASS J** — G. Thurston 5-0-36.9; V. Christensen 4-1-28.5; R. Sneller 3-2-23.4; O. Thomas 2-3-23.1; W. Helm 1-4-10.6

**CLASS K** — H. Kolzow 5-0-26.4; C. Fletchall 4-1-25.3; D. Taylor 3-2-17.9; L. Resseguie 2-3-16.0; E. Rathburn 1-4-15.4; R. Hill 0-5-13.4

**CLASS L** — J. Powell 5-0-20.4; A. Dwyer 3-2-23.3; G. Sneller 3-2-22.8; N. Peterson 2-3-18.0; D. Mercure 1-4-13.0; J. Hutchings 1-4-11.3

**LADIES CLASS A** — B. Christianson 5-0-36.8; F. Morton 3-2-35.2; D. Stablyk 3-2-33.7; S. Jones 2-3-33.1; H. Erickson 2-3-26.0; C. Larkins 0-5-23.0

**LADIES CLASS B** — P. Roe 3-0-26.9; J. Thomas 4-1-23.7; D. Hutchings 3-2-17.0; R. Smith 2-3-17.6; P. Langlois 1-4-4.2

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## DICK BEARD, LANSING, MICHIGAN, NHPA 1979 SANCTIONED LEAGUE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

By Russell Gadoury

In the April issue of the News Digest I announced the national awards in the 1979 Sanctioned League Program. Included in the text was a statement that no Player of the Year had been selected because the award was found to be impractical to implement. That decision and statement bothered me when I wrote it and it still does. The decision was based on the fact that the selection would be subjective and would be based on one person's (mine) opinion. Then it occurred to me, "Why not?" All candidates for the award were chosen by their clubs on a subjective basis anyway.

To make a long story short, I reviewed all the correspondence and discovered the following, written by Bob Zeis, Secretary of the Lansing, Michigan, Capitol City Horseshoe Club.

"Our Player of the Year was Dick Beard. This choice was based on many factors. Mainly, he contributed most to the club in his hard work in helping us install new courts. He was an extremely willing worker. Of all our pitchers, and as you know we are a strange breed, he was the only one who never complained and constantly strove to give encouragement where needed and praise those for jobs and projects well done. He has an undying loyalty to our club and our state association. The word "Sportsmanship" could have been made up strictly for him. We didn't use the improved player routine because all of us went from dirt to clay courts midway through the summer, but if we had, we would still have chosen Dick because his average went up over 20 points. We chose him because he is our best representative to the game and also because he wins and loses with the same good character that is in all good people."

There were many other deserving candidates, but, on the basis of all that was written, my vote goes to Dick Beard. Thus, it gives me great pleasure to declare DICK BEARD the NHPA Sanctioned League PLAYER OF THE YEAR for 1979.

**EDITOR'S NOTE** — The above article was just received for publication. It should have been included when the awards were made in the April issue.

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## SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT OF REGIONAL DIRECTOR CHAIRMAN

By Claude White, Chairman

**NOTE: Due to the huge volume of material, this report will be presented in several parts**

Archie Roach, our Texas RD writes that he thinks that the average pitcher has neither knowledge of, feeling for, nor the appreciation of the Region as part of the NHPA. Because of this, the States remain separate entities. He believes a Regional tournament would generate Regional consciousness and give the pitcher a title to aspire to. We now have World and State titles, and recently, League titles. A Regional title wouldn't hurt and it might help. (Paul Gibson first suggested to me last year that he thought a Regional tournament for Illinois, Indiana, and Michigan would take shape, but it has never materialized). Archie is saying that we might even go a little further and divide the Regions into four Divisions. We would then have this hierarchy: World Division-Region-State-Club-League. He is interested in holding the first Regional tournament in his area. Texas gained three new clubs this year; Mount Pleasant, Stephenville and Crowley, a Lions Club promotion, which just completed a new building. They would like to hold a tournament in 1981. In the past few years we have lost Houston, Sequin and Twin-Peaks, San Antonio. At least we are now even. The Texas tournament directors are going to start checking all pitchers for their national cards. As for Oklahoma, Tulsa and Oklahoma City are lost to the OHPA. Now, their officers are quite serious about raising their membership from 100 to 200. They are dividing the State into Districts, appointing District Directors and getting set for a big drive. Don Walrod, Assistant RD is to coordinate. Their new clubs are Wynoka, Ponca City, and Sallisaro, Enid and Ames.

Rich Paul, from Montana, reports that his closest tournament is 90 miles away in Western Montana; the closest one in Eastern Montana is 350 miles away while the closest Wyoming tournament is 684 miles away. The past year has gone fairly well for the WMHPA. He helped start a new club, complete with new horseshoe pits and a tournament under their belts. They are a very enthusiastic group and it is hoped that it spreads within their area. It could mean several new clubs along with horseshoe courts and additional tournaments. We have had three seasons of winter indoor tournaments for the WMHPA, which are

## REPORT — (Continued)

received very well. Rich had to drive 185 miles in order to attend these tournaments. They have a new trophy system in that they now hand out plaques in the shape of Montana, to the first three places in each class. If any of these people win again at any of the succeeding tournaments, they will get an inscribed plate to put on the plaque. Rich made a trip to Havre, a town about 100 miles North of Great Falls, to help set up another horseshoe club. They already have over 20 members. The Parks Department there is going to help them put in 12 courts with fence, lights and just about anything else that they may need. There is also a small college there and they have expressed interest in putting horseshoe pitching into their Physical and Education Program.

Barry Chapelle, our RD from Oregon, reports that Mount St. Helena had caused a stir and forced the cancellation of one tournament in Yakima, Washington, but all in all, they are surviving. Portland and other areas have received some good, local coverage (T.V. and newspapers). Mt. St. Helena erupted and Tom Gadwa, son of a Washington member, Thor Gadwa, was lost. His body has not yet been recovered. John Pratt, a top Oregon pitcher, was killed in an accident in California this past summer. The Port Orchard Washington Club sponsored a raffle to help send Peter Clark, a top junior pitcher, to Huntsville, this past summer. The Herminston Oregon Open, to which the NHPA donated \$500 was a resounding success and had its most entrants ever. Rick Rebman and the Herminston Club are to be commended for their hard work and thanks to the NHPA for its generous assist. Prize money totalled just short of \$4,000, counting a 100% return of entry fees. Cletus and Barry Chapelle were featured in a sports special on one of their local TV stations in June. PHPA 1st V.P. Bell Hulshof had his picture on the front page of the sports section and had a nice article written about him in May. Barry says that Seattle has a strong league program but he can't get them to go NHPA yet.

Kelly O'Brien reports that members of the Spokane Club sponsored a CPR class and received their certificates from the class instructor, also a club member. The Spokane Association took the initiative in fulfilling their State's suggestion that local clubs participate in some type of life saving class.

In Idaho, Assistant Walt McGarvey reports Boise first received their State Chapter in 1951. 1952 was the first sanctioned State tournament which was held at Boise, and for the next 12 years the State tournament moved back and forth between Boise and Nampa, with E.J. Wiley of Nampa, holding the State Championship all those 12 years. The State of Idaho has a lot of interest but is hampered by a wide separation in terms of miles. Many cities and towns have local clubs. They are hoping for more NHPA affiliation and membership from them. Both Oregon and Washington have strong tournament schedules and good newsletters.

From New Jersey, Assistant Al Ward writes that all is alive and well there when it comes to the **Horseshoe** game. Publicity in this area had a banner year; three newspapers carried news of our various tournaments throughout the season, consistently, namely: The Herald News, The Record and the South Bergenite, with The Herald News really catching fire with several feature articles, a weekly standing report of our league activities, and culminating with a grand feature article about our State Champion, Bill Kolb. In Northeast New Jersey the Clifton Inter-City HPC is dominate and this year was no exception. The club sponsored one tournament a month from May through August, and then Al Ward, Bill Kolb, Phil Zozzaro and Jim Furman put their talents together in September and held eight pitching clinics functioning on Monday and Tuesday of each week. The program in its entirety attracted close to 100 participants, but more importantly, especially from the clinic action, we'll have some excellent pitchers on the horizon here in the very near future. The club will have winter indoor pitching as usual in the Old First Church in Passaic. The courts at Branch Brook Park, Newark, that battleground of many State Championships, is due for a facelifting and modification in the spring of 1981. 16 courts are to be installed, with a guard fence between the bays. Active in that cause was our President Phil Zozzaro, Claude White and several of the area regulars, including Bill Kolb, Bernie Mullady, Chet Bosiak and others. These last three men and the group they represent make sure we get as much as possible out of the park department throughout the season as well as doing plenty of upkeep work themselves on a regular basis when tournaments are due to be played there. As a result of the publicity, the Parsippany Board of Recreation is including ambitious plans for the game of horseshoes in its sports schedule for next season. This should include another 100 pitchers when it gets off the ground. Attending a September meeting with the board in this regard were Jim Furman and Al Ward, at which time these two State members made the members of the board aware of the skill needed in our grand old game. They were impressed to see how much the was to the sport. The foregoing report shows quite a potential for the growth of horseshoe pitching in New Jersey, particularly the Northeast. Within a few years, this area should become a real hot-bed of activity.

Jim Perkins, Assistant RD from the TwinCities area (Minnesota) reports that Bloomington has 12 new courts with a fast growing league. Fridley has eight brand-new courts in a nice park area with room for eight more courts later. There are nine leagues in the Twin Cities area with the City of Fridley being very helpful to us.

Dale Evenson, Assistant in Western Minnesota, states that they have four portable courts at Donnelly and they are trying to get horseshoes started in their schools. The club members also think of the older people and demonstrated this fact by building a court at a home for senior citizens. Seems like very nice people.

**REPORT — (Continued)**

Ray Tiili, Assistant from Northern Minnesota, reports that Duluth has all new portable courts in a hockey area. They were constructed so that they are close to the ground, which makes them a lot easier to set in place. Hibbing started 12 new courts last year which should be completed now. Roseau, which is close to the Canadian border, has a fairly new league with good, active members. They are planning on having new blue clay this year.

Gene Rickson, Southwestern Minnesota, said they are restructuring their league since they have to drive so many miles to participate. A new league was started last year in Rochester, and they are planning on having a new league in Mankato.

Central Minnesota Assistant, Jim Aleckson, is the one who really was the cause of horseshoes being started in this area. It seems that most of the people who pitch in the aggressive Tri-City League started at Jim's tournaments. Dick Leyks, who owns the Tri-City courts has some new portable courts that he designed. They had a very successful exhibition at the Crossroads Mall in St. Cloud, with some of the top men and women in the State competing. The boy's class was also very good, with three of the top boys playing. There were many interested spectators. They are hoping to use the portable courts in some of the schools. When Jim was asked by Gene Anderson, RD for Minnesota, to be his Assistant for Central Minnesota last February, he felt that he had one of the most exciting areas in the country on which to report. 10 years ago, organized horseshoes was nearly non-existent here but since then it has grown beyond anything he might have dreamed. Two couples have been largely responsible for the rapid growth within the past four years. One couple is Henry and Delores Preimesberger of Genola. I guess everyone knows that they built the Preimesberger Arena in Genola, the finest indoor horseshoe pitching building in the country. They have held 11 successful major tournaments at the Arena, including three State tournaments. Next summer, the Arena will be the site of the 1981 World Tournament. The other couple is Dick and Rosie Leyk of Sauk Rapids. They built Leyk's 3&1 Courts behind their service station two miles east of Sauk Rapids. The 12 court complex has been the site of four successful major tournaments. They also helped organize the Tri-County Horseshoe League which just completed it's fourth season. In 1979, the Tri-County League had 175 members, which was the largest NHPA sanctioned league in the country. They also have organized a horseshoe clinic at the Crossroads Shopping Mall in St. Cloud the past two winters, bringing horseshoe pitching to the public. At the 1980 Minnesota Statate tournament for the first four places in Class "A" Women were from the Tri-County League. They were Phyllis Negaard, Sandy Karasch, Rosie Leyk and Lu Cave. There were two others from Central Minnesota in this class, Beverly Nathe and Debbie Gall. Phyllis, Sandy and Beverly are sisters; how about that. Others who have helped in the growth of horseshoes in Central Minnesota are Ronn and Phyllis Negaard of St. Joseph with Phyllis bringing a women's World Championship to the area last year. She has also won five consecutive State championships. Also, Don Slomkowski of St. Cloud has been President of the Tri-County Horseshoe League since it started and has coordinated a couple of tournaments at Leyk's 3&1 Courts. Dennis Carlson of St. Cloud has been very active in the Tri-County League and he did a fine job of coordinating the Minnesota State Tournament this past Labor Day weekend. There are many others, too numerous to mention, who have also helped in horseshoe's growth in Central Minnesota. This past year horseshoe courts have been springing up around the St. Cloud area with St. Joseph building eight courts, Rice six courts, and Waite Park four courts. Another horseshoe club that has been operating for a number of years. They are now using the Preimesberger Arena as their home base. Elk River has had an active club for a number of years under the leadership of Jack Klein. There have been numerous small tournaments that have been held at summer festivals in towns around the area this summer such as Princeton, Cambridge, Foley, and Big Lake. Also, the Benton County Fair in Sauk Rapids has held a tournament for the past 10 years. The news media has given horseshoes a real boost in the area with Bob Wright of the **Morris County Record** in Little Falls giving excellent coverage of all the tournaments at Preimesberger Arena with pictures and stories. Ralph Wolak and Don Madison of Radio Station WVAL in Sauk Rapids have been at Preimesberger Arena the past two tournaments and have given live coverage and interviews. They have done a fine job. In summation of his report, Jim uses a headline that was in a St. Paul newspaper sports page a couple of years ago, "Horseshoe Pitching is Alive and Kicking." In Central Minnesota, horseshoe pitching is not just alive and kicking but it is "Up and Running." With a World Horseshoe Tournament coming here next summer, it's hard to say how far it will go.

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## ANNUAL JEFFERSON COUNTY IA. JR. AG SHOW TOURNAMENT WON BY VANDEGRIFF: M. COLONY LADIES; SHOTTEN, BOYS

**CLASS A** — Bill Vandegriff, 5-0-77.0; Neil Vandegriff, 3-2-59.0; Leo Buell, 3-2-58.5; Art Hampton, 2-3-55.7; Richard Proctor, 1-4-54.1; Byron Hafner, 1-4-50.9.

**CLASS B** — Charlie Fox, 4-1-46.6; Jerry Davis, 4-1-47.5; Don Burgess, 2-3-39.8; Roger Gritsch, 2-3-40.2; Gene Acord, 2-3-42.1; Jim Burgess, 1-4-34.5.

**CLASS C** — Larry Davis, 5-0-49.3; Arden Messer, 4-1-40.6; Paul Floden, 3-2-38.; Glen Speers, 2-3-32.1; Bill Goodman, 1-4-33.0; Claire Gifford, 0-5-32.0.

**CLASS D** — Bill McGregor, 5-0-38.2; Lewis Tarbox, 3-2-31.7; Leslie Hottle, 3-2-29.8; Danny Tarbox, 2-3-37.8; Ray Lyon, 2-3-28.8; Lee Junk, IL, 0-5-21.4.

**CLASS E** — Elvin Luers, 5-0-30.5; Steve Evans, 3-2-24.2; Frank Gray, 3-2-26.7; Ray Bonnett, 2-3-26.8; Howard Fite, 2-3-24.6; C. Schuererman, IL, 0-5-16.5.

**CLASS F** — Elmer Jacobs, 5-0-35.8; Dick Homan, 3-2-31.2; Everett Kapayon, 3-2-34.8; Cloyd Cornick, 3-2-23.8; Don Chidester, 1-4-26.3; Tom Mueller, 0-5-20.7.

**CLASS G** — Roy Fox, 4-1-36.1; Dan Manning, 3-2-25.0; Leon Cartwright, 3-2-22.1.

**CLASS H** — Richard Keller, 3-0-15.1; Joe Bertelli, 2-1-10.8; Bob Protsman, 1-2-15.4; Clifford Pettit, 0-3-9.1.

**MENS AMATEUR** — Lester Mayer, 5-0; Lindley Bissig, 4-1; Shan Campbell, 3-2; Wally Davis, 2-3; Larry McIntire, 2-3; Aaron Sheets, 0-5.

**LADIES CLASS** — Marianne Colony, 6-0-40.7; Carrie Gritsch, 5-1-27.7; Marge Goodman, 3-3-24.9; Loretta Gritsch, 3-3-27.8; Mildred Hottle, 3-3-17.0; Janice Speers, 1-5-20.9; Jalen Speers, 0-6-1.8.

**JR. BOYS CLASS** — Jr. Shotten, 6-0-77.4; Jim Speers, 5-1-67.7; Kent Orman, 4-2-26.5; Chris Gritsch, 3-3-27.5; Marty Silers, 2-4-18.1; Mark Mueller, 1-5-9.5; Mike Keahna, 0-6-10.1.

## RALPH SIMON EASES THROUGH FAIRFIELD, IOWA OPEN

In the annual Fairfield Open tournament held at the Chautauqua park courts in Fairfield, Iowa on September 14, Ralph Simon was undefeated with 5 straight victories held together with an 81.6 ringer percentage.

**CLASS A** — Ralph Simon, 5-0-81.6; Harold Darnold, 4-1-75.9; Bill Vandegriff, 3-2-72.9; Leo Buell, 2-3-67.6; Ray Phillips, IL, 1-4-69.2; Stoney Jackson, 0-5-56.7.

**CLASS B** — Richard Proctor, 4-1-54.7; Neil Vandegriff, 4-1-60.3; Don Protsman, 3-2-54.1; Harold Shaw, 2-3-46.4; Ross Sornberger, IL, 1-4-48.0; Byron Hafner, 1-4-50.

**CLASS C** — Jerry Davis, 4-1-53.7; Marvin Boyd, 4-1-47.1; Charlie Foss, 3-2-38.6; Don Burgess, 3-2-47.0; Larry Davis, 1-4-37.3; Mike Buck, 0-5-26.0.

**CLASS D** — Bill Burgess, 5-0-54.9; Bill Goodman, 3-2-32.7; Danny Tarbox, 3-2-36.5; Arden Messer, 2-3-37.3; Gene Acord, 1-4-35.4; Frank Gray, 1-4-25.0.

**CLASS E** — Elmer Jacobs, 4-1-30.5; Ray Bonnett, 3-2-30.4; Glen Speers, 3-2-30.2; Phil Carlisle, 3-2-28.6; John Slutts, 1-4-23.0; Ray Lyon, 1-4-21.5.

**CLASS F** — Don Chidester, 4-1-28.4; Bob St. George, IL, 3-2-21.9; Mark Haren, IL, 3-2-26.8; Roy Fox, 2-3-23.7; Howard Fite, 2-3-24.6; Bud Hottle, 1-4-20.3.

**CLASS G** — Max Goodman, 5-0-29.1; Dick Homan, 3-2-34.2; Don Manning, 2-3-24.2; Laverne Kline, 2-3-24.6; Tom Mueller, 2-3-26.0; Steve Evans, 1-4-21.2.

**CLASS H** — Ralph Crawford, 5-0-20.2; Cloyd Corrick, 4-1-27.1; Eston Woodruff, 2-3-20.0; Leon Cartwright, 23-19.5; John Pecks, 2-3-18.8; Vern Easton, 0-5-13.9.

**CLASS I** — Jerry Butelli, 4-0-22.5; Joe Bertelli, 3-1-14.6; Jake Davis, 2-2-14.7; Richard Keller, 1-3-13.4; Cliff Pettit, 0-4-13.4.

**LADIES CLASS A** — Marianne Colony, 5-0-47.8; Janice Speers, 3-2-27.6; Mildred Hottle, 3-2-15.8; Marge Goodman, 2-3-23.5; Ann Darnold, 1-4-16.5; Betty Kline, 1-4-19.5.

**JR. BOYS CLASS** — Jr. Shotten, 2-0-77.8; Jim Speers, 1-1-73.1; Jr. Slutts, 0-2-41.5.

**M. BOUDREAU TOPS VT. SODBUSTER'S FALL ROUND-UP**

By Michael Brown

The Sodbuster's Club at Bristol, Vermont sponsored the Sodbuster's Fall Round-Up tournament at Middlebury, Vermont on last September 13-14. Mike Boudreau was the honored man in Class A with a 8-1-62.0 record. Carl Baillargren of Burlington, Vermont swept the Junior Class A with 4 straight wins and 51.0 ringer average. This club is new on the tournament scene and are making great strides.

**CLASS A** — Mike Boudreau, Fairfax, VT, 8-1-62.0; Forrest Landers, Richmond, VT, 7-2-52.5; Paul Sylvia, Parkinsville, VT, 6-3-58.2; Rich Forgues, Bristol, VT, 6-3-52.5; Joe Forgues, Bristol, VT, 6-3-48.2; Robert Gokey, Bridgewater Corners, VT, 4-5-47.4; Frank Lengyel, Springfield, VT, 3-6-49.7; Ken Downer, Bristol, VT, 3-6-47.7; Robert Snide, Springfield, VT, 2-7-35.7.

**CLASS B** — Robert Many, Middlebury, VT, 8-1-42.4; Elmer Moore, South Royalton, VT, 6-3-34.8; Raymond Reed, Brandon, VT, 6-3-34.0; Joe Bouger, Middlebury, VT, 6-3-29.2; Blakley Bigelow, Bristol, VT, 5-4-26.2; William Snide, Claremont, NH, 4-5-30.3; Bob Bryant, Brandon, VT, 4-5-27.9; Glenn Kenison, JR., Sharon, VT, 3-6-24.6; Burnam Snide, Springfield, VT, 2-7-24.8; Rod Burnham, Starksboro, VT, 1-8-19.7.

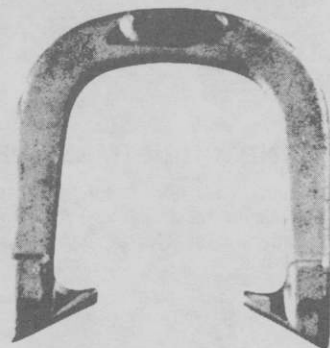
**CLASS C** — Phil Sumner, Bristol, VT, 7-0-28.2; Jeff Sumner, Bristol, VT, 6-1-23.4; Mike Brown, Bristol, VT, 4-3-25.7; Gary Lipka, Cambridge, VT, 4-3-23.7; Stan Prior, Bridgewater Corners, VT, 3-4-13.1; Richard Word, South Burlington, VT, 2-5-13.7; Rod Burnham, Starksboro, VT, 2-5-11.4; Norm Chappell, South Burlington, VT, 0-7-12.5.

**CLASS D-W/HANDICAP** — Mickey Bedard, Starksboro, playoff winner, 7-1-19.7; Debbie Brown, Bristol, 6-2-6.5; Ron Shackett, Bristol, 5-2-10.2; Richard Bedell, Sr., Bristol, 3-4-11.4; Roger Currier, Middlebury, 2-5-14.5; William Brachett, Jr., West Hartford, 2-5-14.8; Edson Rathburn, Bristol, 2-5-5.1; Harold Wisley, Ferrisburg, 2-5-6.8.

**JUNIOR CLASS A** — Carl Baillargeron, Burlington, 4-0-51.0; Raymond Gokey, Bridgewater Corners, 3-1-32.5; Jim Forgues, Bristol, 1-3-33.5; John Gokey, Bridgewater Crns., 1-3-22.5; Betty Bedard, Middlebury, VT, 1-3-15.0.

**JUNIOR CLASS B** — Brian Baillargeron, Burlington, 4-0-14.0; John Burnham, Starksboro, 3-1-16.5; Marlene Burnham, Starksboro, 2-2-15.5; Tim Oliver, South Burlington, 1-3-4.0; Richard Bedell, Jr., Bristol, 0-4-8.5.

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## ANNUAL CALICO (CALIFORNIA) OPEN SET FOR APRIL 10-11-12

The Calico Open Tournament will be held April 10, 11 and 12 at Calico Ghost Town, Ghost Town Road, off Interstate 15, ten miles north of Barstow, California. It will be sanctioned by the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association and starts Saturday, April 11 with divisions D through K. Women, Juniors and Men's A and B divisions continue on Sunday, April 12.

Registration fee is \$3. \$300 plus all entry fees will be rewarded. Entry fee for division A is \$7, division B \$2, remaining divisions require only registration fee. Pre-registration for horseshoe tournament by mail will be accepted, but MUST be postmarked by Wednesday, April 1. Information and registration for horseshoe tournament; contact Calico Ghost Town (714) 254-2122.

Other events are the Old Miner's Stew Cook-Off which begins Saturday, April 11, and is limited to 36 contestants. Entry fee is \$5. Judging starts at 3 p.m. Additionally, the West Coast Tobacco Chewing and Spitting Championships will spit Saturday and Sunday at 12 noon determining who can chew the most tobacco and spit it the farthest.

For these events, contact Calico Ghost Town, P.O. Box 638, Yermo, California 92398.

Other weekend activities include gunfight skits, greased pole climbing and campfire entertainment.

## SOLOMON WINS UNIONTOWN, PA. INDOOR MEET, DEC. 13-14

Jim Solomon of Uniontown wins 5 and takes the December Indoor Tournament at his home courts in Uniontown, with a 78.5% average. Jim's high game was a blazing 84.1%. In other action, Ray Rugg defeated Dave Meckevec with a 77.3% game while Dave pitched a 74.2% game for the Class B Championship. Joe Orsino, while having a lower overall %, defeated Walt Smarslok and Harry Clemment in a three-way tie for the Championship in Class D.

**CLASS A** — Jim Solomon, 5-0-78.5; Clyde Martz, 4-1-67.4; John Ruskin, 3-2-61.3; Casey Danner, 2-3-64.7; Check Roball, 1-4-51.2; Bob Straitiff withdrew.

**CLASS B** — Ray Rugg, 4-1-59.2; Dave Meckevec, 4-1-57.2; Joe Leech, 3-2-57.8; George Fichter, 2-3-49.7; Dave Remington, 1-4-51.5; Joe Roebuck, 1-4-49.3.

**CLASS C** — Oattie Reno, 4-1-51.1; John Straider, 3-2-43.6; Joe Pagnanelli, 3-2-42.4; Frank Giampa, 2-3-37.9; Ed Jones, 2-3-36.7; Warren Early, 1-4-41.4.

**CLASS D** — Joe Orsino, 4-1-37.9; Harry Clemment, 4-1-43.6; Walt Smodic, 4-1-38.1; Ron Weiss, 2-3-31.0; John Smarslok, 1-4-29.9; Dick Tunney, 0-5-21.8.

**CLASS E** — Jim Danner, 5-0-25.6; Ron Gaydos, 3-2-25.8; Ross Williams, 3-2-20.8; Pete Ulery, 3-2-17.2; Wilbur Stover, 1-4-12.9; Scott Williams, 0-5-11.7.

## UNGETHEIM VICTOR IN RUSHVILLE, IND. CHRISTMAS OPEN

Bill Ungetheim won a hard fought battle to win the annual Christmas Indoor Open held at the Rushville, Ind. Indoor courts on Dec. 3-4. He has been on the rise all year long and this tournament was his very best effort. Bill's son Steve made it a family affair by winning the Junior Boys Class title.

**CLASS A** — Bill Ungetheim, Owensville, 5-2-66.9; George Sales, New Castle, 5-2-62.6; Bob May, Rushville, 4-3-64.8; Estel Bills, Connersville, 4-3-63.3; Bob Sheppard, Rushville, 4-3-61.9; Tom Thayer, Hope, 3-4-56.7; Hunter Dorman, Linton, 2-5-54.5; John LeMond, Anderson, 1-6-57.3.

**CLASS B** — Kenny Perkins, Rushville, 5-0-62.0; Jim Pierson, Mooresville, 4-1-45.9; Ed Hinshaw, Richmond, 3-2-51.6; Doyle Mai Kranz, Owensville, 2-3-42.1; Henry Franke, Centralia, IL 1-4-42.4; Dale Kirtley, Modoc, 0-5-41.3.

**CLASS C** — Harold Tatman, Greensburg, 8-1-48.4; Bob Hill, Shelbyville, 6-3-39.2; Tim Tatman, Hartsville, 6-3-38.5; Bob Stimel, Bicknell, 5-4-41.3; Elmer Branson, Gasten, 5-4-38.9; Art Cornelius, Linton, 4-5-31.6; Joe Hamilton, Connersville, 4-5-29.7; Chester Evans, Bridgeport, IL, 4-5-29.4; Lloyd Karstens, Rushville, 3-6-39.7; Luther Chandler, Indianapolis, 0-9-19.6.

**JUNIORS** — Steve Ungetheim, Owensville, 3-0-59.3; Charley Ungetheim, Owensville, 2-1-54.3; Steve Bills, Connersville, 1-2-50.9; Phil Bills, Connersville, 0-3-15.3.



## LEVI MILLER WINS FLORIDA STATE "SHOOT-OUT".

The championship class of Florida State Open held at Plant City on December 6th ended in a 4-way tie between Levi Miller, Ohio, Marve Richmond, Minn., Ken Drury, Ontario and Paul Scheub, Sarasota. A 50-shoe count all "shoot-out" produced Levi Miller as Tournament Champ with Richmond, Drury and Scheub finishing in 2nd, 3rd and 4th position.

**CLASS A** — Levi Miller, Ohio 4-2 64.2; Marvin Richmond, Minn. 4-2 61.0; Ken Drury, Ontario 4-2 59.0; Paul Scheub, Sarasota 4-2 58.9; Jack Fahey, Kentucky 3-3 57.4; M. Broughton, Tampa 2-4 56.8; Dick Ferguson, Sarasota 0-6 56.3

**CLASS B** — Walt Pickard, Zephyrhills 5-1 57.8; Wm. Neilson, Ind. 5-1 58.7; Dwight Thatcher, Brooksville 4-2 59.7; Al Baldwin, St. Cloud 3-3 56.9; R. Widdersheim, Clearwater 2-4 52.8; Frank Bogardus, Sebring 2-4 41.6; Ed. Howdeshell, Ind. 0-6 46.9

**CLASS C** — Howard Lea, Bradenton 4-2 48.3; Red Totten, Mich. 4-2 51.7; Ron Haines, Mich. 3-3 46.5; Henry Mullet, Sarasota 3-3 45.8; Rex Swinson, Ill. 3-3 43.9; Andy Doshna, Clearwater 2-4 48.2; Dick Senger, Winter Haven 2-4 41.3.

**CLASS D** — Paul Swartz, Clearwater 5-1 46.9; Wib Roche, Ill. 4-2 42.4; M. Collins, Dunedin 3-3 45.7; Charlie Lentz, Ont. 3-3 43.7; Oscr Gaudette, New Smyrna 2-4 41.9; Earl Colgan, Ill. 2-4 37.3; John Zehnder, Ruskin 2-4 37.2

**CLASS E** — Pat Gallant, St. Cloud 6-0 42.1; Joe Morgan, Ind. 4-2 39.4; Chris Miller, Sarasota 3-3 40.9; M. Gillespie, Sarasota 3-3 38.5; Louis Haley, St. Pete 2-4 34.5; Gene Bennett, Clearwater 2-4 26.2; Pat O-Toole 1-5 34.4

**CLASS F** — Wayne Ballhagen, Iowa 6-0 36.2; Wm. Rowse, Brooksville 5-1 37.3; John Hess, Bradenton 3-3 38.2; Stan Larson, St. Cloud 3-3 35.5; Mike Povich, Seminole 2-4 31.6; Orval Coxon, Ontario 2-5 30.1; Clifford Richards, Brooksville 37.3

**CLASS G** — Len Tibbie, Brooksville 6-0 32.5; Emmet Fleagle, St. Cloud 4-2 32.5; Everett Hollar, St. Cloud 4-2 28.3; Chas. Brown, Winter Haven 3-3 22.8; Alex Gritske, Beverly Hills 2-4 22.8; Jim Fourman, Ohio 1-5 21.2

**CLASS H** — Ralph Rollins, Brooksville 6-0 37.0; Earle Johnson, Bradenton 5-1 27.1; Rowland Conrad, Clearwater 4-2 25.5; Chas. Helmuth, Mass. 3-3 14.2; Paul Barrette, Quebec 1-5 17.7; James Dey, Ruskin 1-5 13.9; Ralph Crawford, Seminole 1-5 12.2

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## NATIONAL PROMOTION COMMITTEE COMMENTS

By Sol Berman, Chr.

Harold Craig, 1965 NHPA President appointed me as chairman of a committee to study alternate methods of qualifying.

We submitted the following plan.

Each state was to keep a record of ringer percentages of all tournament pitchers. The averages would be reached by using the averages of their best tournaments consisting of at least 20 games total. We figured that this would be the fairest method. This would eliminate tournaments that were held in bad weather or on poor courts.

A pitcher would bring his signed card with him to the world championship. The pitchers would be seated according to their averages. The top 102 would be divided into 17 groups of 6 each. The top 17 would be seated number one in each group, the next 17, number two in each group. A round robin would be played (5 games). The first and second place finishers plus the defending world champion and the high percentage third place finisher would form the 36 man championship class.

The 36 man group would be divided into two groups of 18. Each group would play a round robin (17 games). On the last two days the top 9 of one group would play the top 9 of the other group for a total of 26 games.

A plan to eliminate qualifying and to cutdown the number of games played at the 1981 tournament will be a necessity since Mr. Preimesberger will almost guarantee over 1000 entries. If any of you doubt this statement, try to get a reservation and you'll find out that close to that number have already done so.

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION 1981 SEASON UNDERWAY

The Southern California Association 1981 season got underway with the following officers to guide it. Gerry Kloepfer, president; Heman Standard, 1st V.P.; Harold Slagg, 2nd V.P.; Jim Dow, 3rd V.P.; Lyle Cottingham, 4th V.P.; Doyle Brawley, 5th V.P. and Jim Weeks, Sec/Treasurer.

**JOHN GORDON OPEN** — Heman Standard, Orange, 8-0-71.2; Newell Flann, Westminster, 6-2-59.0; Earl Kerr, Anaheim, 6-2-54.7; Art Amador, Los Alamitos, 6-2-48.1; Jake Boone, San Bernardino, 3-5-43.0; Harold Slagg, Ontario, 2-6-43.6; Jim Dow, Glendale, 2-6-43.2; Jack Schoonover, Orange, 2-6-41.8; Kee Blackrock, Maywood, 1-7-38.2.

**HARRY MORIN DOUBLES** — Harold Slagg, Ken Ratley, 4-1; Harry Morse, Harry Morin, 3-2; Clyde Herren, Joe Raykowski, 3-2; Jake Boone, Jim Dow, 3-2; Barbara Dow, Joe Kollar, 2-3; Jack Chesshir, Earl Hogan, 0-5.

**JESSE GONZALES DOUBLES** — Jim Dow, Mary Van Sant, 5-1; Bill Hubbs, Ken Ratley, 4-2; Harold Redding, Harold Slagg, 3-3; Barbara Dow, Lee Hubbs, 3-3; Danny Rockwell, Charlie Parsons, 3-3; Doyle Brawley, Gerry Kloepfer, 2-4; Gene VanSant, George Farrell, 1-5.

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## TYSON PLAYOFF WINNER OVER SCHULTZ FOR TITLE IN HERITAGE RECREATION CHRISTMAS CLASSIC-MASS.

Over 80 people entered the Christmas Classic Tournament at Heritage Recreation Center on Dec. 7 and 14, 1980. In the 9 classes, there were 5 playoffs, attesting to the good winter horseshoes competition. Men and women again played together and fewer comments were heard, perhaps an indication that the newness is wearing off and pitchers are just intent on throwing more ringers than the next guy (gal).

In Class 1, Joe Schultz returned to form but just fell short to a determined Art Tyson. Art pitched the high game of 88.2% and his lowest game was 74% but he needed to pitch 79.5% in the playoff to gain his first Heritage tournament victory since November, 1974. There were 10 over 80% games in Class 1.

In Class 2, Charlie Bonani and Bernie Mullady pitched well all day and then competed in a playoff, Charlie ending on top after 58 shoes, 37-31. High game of the class was Bonani's 79.5% in a well-matched class.

Rick Howe may be trying to move up out of Class 3 but Mike Donovan, undefeated with a 63.6% is going with him. Pete Prouty, Roger Henson, and Walt Mrozak were tightly bunched behind the two leaders. There were 7 over 70% games in this class.

Another playoff occurred in Class 4 between Greg Rutkowski and Art Wayne. Young Greg pitched a fine 57.9% tournament and 55% in the playoff to nip Art. Dick Belanger ended up 3rd but pitched a new personal high game of 85%. Bob Dorn also pitched a new high of 78.6%.

John Kraus was all alone in the winner's circle with a 6-1, 44.8% in Class 5. Bill Dickinson pitched well but ran out of gas in his last two games to finish 2nd. New personal high games were pitched by Richard O'Brien and Jay Benton.

In Class 6, young Brenda MacNeil, who only recently was averaging 38% in tournaments, pitched a high game of 50% and a low of 38% to reign supreme. She proved strong under pressure as she pitched her best % game in her closest game against runnerup Norm Ricard.

Ray Thibodeau from N.H. pitched a fine 40.1% tourney to win Class 7. He pitched two 50% games and allowed no more than 24 points by any opponent in the 35 point games.

Class 8 was tight and ended in a three way tie. Watch out! Ed Harrington loves playoffs and proved that again by pitching 32.6% in his first playoff win over Rich Everitt and a fine 44% to win over (Mrs.) Gerry Begin. Ed pitched 27% average in his first 5 games but warmed up and pitched 40% over his next five games to win going away. Gerry Begin had a new high personal game of 50% and a new high tourney of 33.5%.

In Class 9, two out-of-staters, Ray Towle of N.H. and Bill Ryan of Ct. met in a playoff which Towle won.

Almost half of the entrants were out of Mass., some from as far away as New Jersey. Indoor facilities for horseshoe pitching make the long, cold winter a little shorter and a little warmer for horseshoe pitchers in the northern areas.

**CLASS 1** — Art Tyson, N.Y. 6-1, 77.6; Joe Schultz, N.Y. 6-1, 77.8; Norm Rioux, Ct. 4-3, 72.4; Ed Domey, Ma. 4-3, 71.7; Vivien Deuster, N.Y. 3-4, 67.6; Bernard Herfurtha, Ma. 3-4, 65.0; Bill MacIntyre, N.J. 1-6, 64.4; Debby Michaud, Ma. 1-6, 59.8. Playoff - T. Tyson (79.5%) 37-Schultz (77.3%) 30.

**CLASS 2** — Charles Bonani, Ma. 6-1, 65.3; Bernie Mullady, N.J. 6-1 63.2; Ron Ahlstrom, Ma. 5-2, 59.3; George Trabucchi, Ct. 5-2, 57.4; Paul Drowne, Ma. 4-3, 56.3; Ed Bodinsky, Ma. 3-4 56.0; Joe Merritt, Ma. 2-5, 55.9; Angie Cieslak, Ma. 2-5 49.3; Al LaTouche, Ct. 1-6, 42.9; Ed Seavers, N.J. 1-6 4.9. Playoff — Bonani (65.5%) 37-Mullady (58%) 31.

**CLASS 3** — Mike Donovan, N.H. 7-0, 63.6; Rick Howe, Ma. 6-1, 62.2; Pete Prouty, Vt. 4-3, 58.18; Roger Henson, Ct. 4-3, 58.05, Walt Mrozak, Ct. 4-3, 57.1; Paul Cormier, Ma. 3-4 53.8; Ray Peloquin, Ma. 3-4 49.6; Walt Deuster, N.Y. 2-5, 48.5; To Monagin, Ct. 2-5, 48.2; Dick Belanger, N.H. 0-7, 44.8.

**CLASS 4** — Greg Rutkowski, Ma. 6-1 61; Art Wayne, N.H. 6-1 61.6; Dick Belanger, Ma. 5-2 54.6; Al LaTouche, Ct. 4-3, 50.9; Orton Cushman, Ma. 4-3 50.3; Sam Raymond, N.H. 4-3 47.8; Bob Dorn, Sr., Ma. 3-4, 48.8; Ted Lewis, N.J. 2-5 34.1; Fran Norman, Ma. 1-6 29.5; Fred Simon, Ma. 0-7; 37.7. Playoff — Rutkowski (55.3%) 38-Wayne (42.1%) 21.

**CLASS 5** — John Kraus, Ma. 6-1, 44.8; Bill Dickinson, Ma. 5-2 43.3; Bob Dorn, Jr., Ma. 5-2 40.4; Jay Benton, Ct. 4-3 39.9; Norm Ricard, N.H. 4-3, 34.7; Bob Gokey, Vt. 3-4, 41.1; Richard O'Brien, Ma. 2-5, 37.3; Bill White, Ma. 2-5, 36.2; Warren Hall, N.H. 2-5 28.0; Joe Guy, Ma. 1-6 35.4.

## CHRISTMAS CLASSIC — (Continued)

**CLASS 6** — Brenda McNeill, Ma. 7-0 43.7; Norm Ricard, N.H. 5-2, 44.5; George Blais, N.H. 4-3, 39.8; Bill Wilkie, N.H. 4-3 36.8; Harry Achriccker, Ma. 3-4, 36.9; Tom Henley, Ma. 3-4 35.6; Don Perkins, Ct. 3-4, 35.2; Cleo Breton, Ma. 2-5, 39.9; Paul Morrissette, Ma. 2-5, 37.5; Tony Nacewicz, Ma. 2-5, 33.4.

**CLASS 7** — Ray Thebodeau, N.H. 7-0, 40.1; Barbara MacNeil, Ma. 6-1, 37.1; Warren Hall, N.H. 5-2, 32.1; Leon Wright, Ma. 4-3 33.8; Tom Courtney, Ma. 4-3 30.9; Andy Dominique, Ma. 3/4, 33.6; Dave Baillargeon, N.H. 2-5, 30.8; John Markey, Ma. 2-5 26.9; Ernest Levangie, Ma. 2-5, 25.0; Red Cote, Ma. 0-7, 22.3.

**CLASS 8** — Ed Harrington, Ma. 6-1, 31.9; Gerry Begin, Ma. 6-1, 33.5; Rich KEveritt, Ma. 6-1, 26.8 Larry Bernard, Ma. 3-4 22.1; Jean Begin, Ma. 2-5, 23.2; Fran Naples, Ma. 2-5, 16.9; Jim Styles, N.H. 2-5 15.6; Charles Rutkowski, Ma. 1-6, 22.4. Playoff #1 — Harrington (32.6%) 39-E Everitt (26.1%) 25. Playoff #2 — Harrington (44%) 35-Begin (38%) 29.

**CLASS 9** — Ray Towle, N.H. 7-0, 30.0; Bill Ryan, Ct. 7-0, 26.0; Don Moreau, N.H. 5-2, 19.8; Reggie Ploof, Ma. 4-3, 20.5; Bud Whitehouse, Ma. 4-3, 14.9; Frank Wing, N.H. 3-4, 13.7; Hank Labine, N.H. 2-5 21.4; Bill Goulin, Ma. 2-5, 4.6; Bart Sargent, Ma. 1-6, 11.9; Bob Massa, Ma. 0-7, 11.5. Playoff — Towle (25%) 35-Ryan (15%) 16.

## LABANCO WINS STEINFELDT HANDICAP AT CLEARWATER, FLA.

With ringers only counting 1 point each, Len LaBanco of Venice won a hotly contested tournament with a 6-game 50 shoe 90% handicap ringer total of 313. Taking place in Clearwater on Dec. 13, the 4th annual Steinfeldt Handicap produced 83 players on a balmy sunny day. Within each 7-man group, players were awarded 2 points for each game won and 1 point to each player in case of a tie game. Cumulative handicap ringer total for six games was used to determine the tournament champion. Details follow with points earned within each group and ringer percentage being shown:

**GROUP 1** — Levi Miller, Ohio, 9-67.0; John Hess, Bradenton, 8-38.0; Roger Sutor, Tampa, 6-28.0; Joe Morgan, Ind., 6-39.7; Henry Mullett, Sarasota, 5-48.7; Andy Doshna, Clearwater, 4-46.0; Earl Colgan, IL, 4-42.0.

**GROUP 2** — Robert Babcock, IL, 8-45.0; Frank Stiles, Bradenton, 8-39.3; R. Widdersheim, Clearwater, 7-57.7; Pat O'Toole, Ontario, 7-43.3; Jim Peterson, Orlando, 6-49.7; Dave Huber, Miami, 5-29.3; Paul Scheub, Sarasota, 1-58.3.

**GROUP 3** — Earle Johnson, 12-31.7; Howard Lea, Bradenton, 8-47.7; Ralph Crawford, Seminole, 8-14.6; George Buskey, Clearwater, 7-37.7; E. Howdeshell, 6-49.7; Chas. Brown, Winter Haven 22.3; Les Long, IL, 6-34.6; Walt Pickard, 2-49.7.

**GROUP 4** — Mel Ringger, MIN, 11-47.7; Norm Gaseau, Clearwater, 10-32.9; Chris Miller, Sarasota, 8-38.9; Chas. Helmuth, Mass., 7-20.6; Bob Fuller, Clearwater, 6-50.3; Jim Dey, Ruskin, 6-16.9; Ernest Dangelmaier, Clearwater, 4-10.9; John Zehnder, Ruskin, 2-37.7.

**GROUP 5** — M. Broughton, Tampa, 9-60.7; Red Totten, MI, 8-55.3; Wm., Packard, Venice, 8-44.7; Ray Arthur, St. Pete, 7-42.3; Wm. Bensch, Clearwater, 4-23.7; Wm. Wallschlaeger, IL, 3-22.3; Ron Deckard, Tampa, 3-27.7.

**GROUP 6** — Len LaBanco, Venice, 11-54.3; Lee Davis, Seminole, 9-32.3; Wm. Brundage, Miami, 8-31.7; M. Gillespie, Sarasota, 6-38.3; Dick Ferguson, Sarasota, 4-57.7; Ed Schuetz, WI, 2-28.3; Royce Wrucke, Wis., 2-30.0.

**GROUP 7** — Wm. Cooper, Seminole, 12-30.9; Ron Ronemus, Bradenton, 9-38.6; Orval Coxon, Ontario, 8-38.3; Paul Swartz, Largo, 7-50.0; Jim Pelkey, NY, 7-28.0; Chas. Warner, Winter Springs, 6-50.0; John Horsley, Ontario, 3-30.6; Mike Povich, Seminole, 3-30.6.

**GROUP 8** — Louis Haley, St. Pete, 12-44.7; Carl Steinfeldt, Clearwater, 9-86.0; Rick Weigel, Largo, 8-46.0; Ralph Rollins, Brooksville, 6-29.7; Gene Meyers, Clearwater, 3-50.3; Everett Stanton, 3-36.0; Chas. Lentz, Ontario, 1-40.0.

**GROUP 9** — Dwight Thatcher, Brooksville, 12-59.4; Gene Bennett, Clearwater, 9-35.1; Ron Haines, MI, 8-44.3; Charles Patrick, 8-36.0; Art Sharpsteen, Clearwater, 7-20.6; Wm. Rowse, Brooksville, 6-34.0; L. Bagnall, St. Pete, 3-15.4; Joe West, Haines City, 2-27.7.

**GROUP 10** — Chas. Bennett, Clearwater, 10-50.7; Len Tibbie, Brooksville, 8-35.3; Rene Rodrigue, Fort Lauderdale, 8-50.0; Orval Tansy, Clearwater, 6-20.3; Joe Holland, Dunedin, 4-57.0; Hart Knutson, New Port Richey, 4-38.3; M. Gibson, MI, 2-29.0.

**GROUP 11** — Phil Perkins, Clearwater, 10-39.0; Bones Hastings, Mass., 7-33.0; Ken Drury, Ontario, 6-55.3; Marvin Glass, Kentucky, 6-45.3; Everett Shippee, RI, 6-31.3; M. Collins, Dunedin, 5-40.7; Tom Keltner, Clearwater, 2-16.7.

## In Memoriam

On November 5, 1980, Massachusetts Horseshoe Pitchers Association members were saddened by the passing of Ed Courville at the age of 54. Ed was a long time member who, just 10 days earlier during our awards banquet, was presented with a Recognition Award for his years of service as secretary and prime mover of the Worcester County Horseshoe League.

Ed was in retirement because of diabetes and a heart attack a few years earlier, but continued to pitch horseshoes actively. Only the Monday prior to his passing he had posted high game, 70%, in the Heritage American League and held league high average. He was a tournament pitcher of note. He invariably averaged in the mid fifties and he was never an "easy" win.

Among Ed's memories of times past was that he served aboard the battleship Missouri when General Douglass MacArthur accepted the Japanese surrender which ended World War II.

Ed Courville was extremely well liked by all who came in contact with him. Our heartfelt sympathies are extended to his wife Ellie, his four children Bruce, Brian, Barry, and Anne Marie, and other members of his family in this time of bereavement.

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The Indiana State Association reports the passing of Ed Sharp of Rossville, Indiana on September 17, 1980 at the age of 72 years.

Because of a heart condition, Ed had to forego horseshoe pitching in his late years.

Ed was state champion of Indiana in 1958 and 1959. He placed third in World Tournament competition and during his career broke many records which are recorded in the Guinness Book of World Records.

He was a member of the Clinton County Horseshoe Club at Frankfort, Indiana. Together with Curt Day of Frankfort put much effort into organizing the local club there and constructing the first courts in Frankfort.

He had a son who pitched horseshoes and died suddenly about two years ago while talking with his father.

The sympathy of the Indiana State Association and that of the NHPA is extended to his loving wife Louise and family in their sad hour.

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It is in regret that we report the death of Pat Fitzmorris of Yukon, Oklahoma who passed away March 27, 1980 after a long fight of cancer. Pat was a member of the NHPA for many years. He had pitched in several world Tournaments in the senior division. He was a past president of the Oklahoma Horseshoe Pitchers Association and also the Yukon Horseshoe Club. He was the organizer of the first Yukon Banks & Merchants Horseshoe Tournament back in 1976.

The Yukon Horseshoe Club with the donations from his many friends in the state of Oklahoma have placed a flagpole and plaque in his memory at the court sight at the Yukon city park. The Oklahoma State Association and that of the NHPA extends its sympathy to his loving wife and family in their great loss. He will be sadly missed by his many friends.

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The Wisconsin Horseshoe Pitchers Association was saddened by the sudden death of Swen Bowman on November 22, 1980. He was president of the WHPA from 1969 to 1972. He started horseshoe leagues in Green Bay city parks, ran tournaments in Green Bay and Mountain. He started tournaments on his own property in Mountain before building new courts at the Armstrong Community Building where he held one of the larger Open Tournaments having many players from surrounding states enter. He was also involved in building clay courts in Green Bay where league is still held.

Swen was also active in the Bradenton, Florida area where he spent his winters. He will be missed by his many friends.

The sincere sympathy of his pitching friends, the Wisconsin State Association and the NHPA is extended to his wife, Clara and family.

## 1980 FINAL STANDINGS — FLA. SUNCOAST BEACON LEAGUE

By Bob Fuller

The league had a most-successful season with Phil Perkins winning first place with 77 percent of his games won. This being an 80 percent handicap league, Ken Drury was second followed by Gene Meyers in third. Most improved player was Paul Swartz. Ken Drury had the high point average of 102 points. High game scratch honors went to Mickey Broughton, with 123 points. High game handicap winner was Bob Widdersheim with 166 points. Player of the year award went to Bob Fuller. NHPA patches were awarded to the champion, Phil Perkins. Trophies were awarded to the three top places. The players and their wives and special guests enjoyed a banquet at Chief Charley's Clearwater Restaurant.

Name	Win = 2 Points		Tie = 1 Point			
	Games	Points	% Games Won	% Ringers	High Game	Handicap
Perkins	48	74	77.08	37.5	163	59
Drury	48	71	73.96	57.1	157	38
Meyers	48	69	71.88	51.5	157	43
Widdersheim	52	70	67.31	48.0	166	50
Swartz	52	64	61.54	32.6	157	62
Broughton	48	58	60.42	53.1	165	41
Viswat	44	52	59.09	32.7	156	62
Fuller	48	56	58.33	49.8	163	45
Keltner	40	45	56.25	21.7	152	73
Povich	48	53	55.21	31.7	150	62
Doshna	50	55	55.0	46.3	162	50
Arthur	44	48	54.55	44.2	159	53
Buskey	44	45	51.14	40.6	154	53
Collins	52	53	50.96	39.7	156	58
McKillip	52	52	50.00	20.6	148	76
Sharpsteen	40	39	48.75	24.3	149	69
Wells	44	41	46.59	28.4	163	65
Gaseau	48	41	42.71	26.5	152	68
Englert	44	36	40.91	18.6	150	78
Horsley	44	32	36.36	28.0	150	72
Webb	48	31	32.29	12.4	145	87
Davis	52	33	31.73	26.2	147	74
Deane	40	19	23.75	5.4	140	100
Bensch	52	22	21.15	21.1	152	76
DID NOT COMPLETE REQUIRED 40 GAMES						
Gottorff	32	25	39.06	22.9	145	74
Fields	18	16	44.44	29.6	149	64
Powles	20	4	10.00	10.2	133	89

**The 13th Annual Open Carolina**  
**Dogwood Festival Horseshoe Tournament**  
**April 24-25-26, 1981**  
**Statesville, North Carolina 28677**

## NEILSON WINS LEGION TOURNAMENT AT TITUSVILLE, FLA.

Although the tournament was beset with rain for two days making the clay courts a bit slick, Bill Neilson managed to string seven straight victories together to win the American Legion tournament held at Titusville, Florida.

It was a fun filled tournament giving all players a challenge and was enjoyable to all. The men of the Legion Post put on a fish fry for everybody along with the usual refreshments, Legion style.

**CLASS A** — Bill Neilson 7-0-59.0; Al Baldwin 6-1-47.0; Marvin Grubb 6-1-46.0; Len Labanco 3-4-42.0; Bill Thornburg 3-4-39.0; Floyd Freley 3-4-36.0; Luther Adams 2-5-40.0; Oscar Gaudette 0-7-35.0

**CLASS B** — Gallant 5-0-29.0; Anderson 4-1-24.0; Wagner 2-3-27.0; Wagner 2-3-27.0; Carroll 2-3-19.0; Larson 1-5-22.0; Faulk 1-5-22.0

**CLASS C** — Estes 4-1-30.0; Walters 3-2-25.0; Fleagle 3-2-22.0; Berrall 3-2-22.0; Hagemeyer 2-3-17.0; Ellingson 0-5-18.0

## LATE SEASON TOURNAMENTS AT BRADY'S RUN, BEAVER, PA.

Submitted By Herman Boyer

**BRADY'S RUN OPEN TOURNAMENT — CLASS A** — Bob McKnight New Castle, Pa. 6-1-61.2; Joe Carter Mingo Junction, Ohio 5-2-58.0; Pete Vlachos Bridgewater, Pa. 5-2-58.0; Chuck Roball Pitts., Pa. 3-4-56.4; Ken Smith East Liverpool, Ohio 3-4-55.8; Ed Blum Darlington, Pa. 3-4-55.4; Herman Boyer Beaver, Pa. 3-4-53.6; Carl Elder New Castle, Pa. 0-7-48.3

**CLASS B** — Ken Smith East Liverpool, Ohio 4-1-56.8; George Fichter Pitts., Pa. 3-2-46.4; Joe Roebuck Uniontown, Pa. 3-2-46.4; Ed. Horneman Arnold, Pa. 2-3-44.3; John Ludwig East Liverpool, Ohio 2-3-42.2; Richard Weigel Largo, Florida 1-4-42.3

**CLASS C** — Cyril Enders Vanport, Pa. 6-1-38.5; Jack Minter East Butler, Pa. 5-2-41.4; Andy Fecik Ambridge, Pa. 5-2-40.0; Jack Bruny Beaver Falls, Pa. 4-3-34.3; Clark Carnahan Shelocta Indiana, Pa. 3-4-39.2; August Landsberger Enon Valley, Pa. 3-4-37.3; Harvey Hayes Erie, Pa. 2-5-33.9; Butch Stover Monaca, Pa. 0-7-16.5

**CLASS D** — Harry Clement Pitts., Pa. 7-1-36.3; Paul Decker Beaver Falls, Pa. 6-2-43.1; Alex Daniel New Brighton, Pa. 5-2-37.5; Glen Williams Uniontown, Pa. 4-2-37.1; Henry Hansen Rochester, Pa. 4-2-35.4; Ron Weiss Pitts., Pa. 2-5-28.4; Bob Lapping Beaver Falls, Pa. 1-7-33.4; Butch Stover Monaca, Pa. 0-7-12.0

**BEAVER & LAWRENCE COUNTY TOURNAMENT — CLASS A** — Jack Rainbow Monaca 4-0-58.9; Beaver County Champ Ed. Blum Darlington 4-0-51.8; Runner Up. Bob McKnight New Castle 4-0-54.7; Lawrence County Champ Carl Elder 0-4-48.5; Runner Up. Herman Boyer Beaver 3-1-47.6; Pete Vlachoe Bridgewater 1-3-49.0; Lou Edmiston New Castle 0-4-46.5; Dave Baker New Castle 0-4-38.3

**CLASS B** — Jim Funkhouse Vanport 5-1-46.2; Paul Decker Beaver Falls 4-2-43.5; Jack Bruny Beaver Falls 1-5-41.0; John Ludwig East Liverpool Ohio 2-4-42.5; Joe Mancini New Castle Forfeit Harold Boyer Darlington Forfeit.

**CLASS C** — Henry Hansen Rochester, Pa. 5-0-37.5; Bod Richeal Beaver Falls 4-1-40.0; Cyril Enders Vanport 3-2-33.9; Chuck Lewis Beaver 2-3-28.4; Dick Tunney Swickley, Pa. 1-4-22.7; Butch Stover Monaca, Pa. 0-5-14.9

## NORM RIOUX RETURNS TO HERITAGE WINNER'S CIRCLE — WINS 1980 TURKEY SHOOT — NEW ERA BEGINS

After an absence of almost 2 years Norm Rioux celebrated his return to Heritage Recreation Center in fine fashion, as he parlayed a 5 wins, 2 loss record into a tournament championship in Sutton, Massachusetts. In actuality there was a three-way tie between Rioux, Ed Domey, and Bill MacIntyre. The many long, hard fought games took their toll on the clock. Since all the prizes were 14 lb. turkeys, the men decided to forego another hour and a half of playoffs. Rioux's high average of 74.4% gave him the top spot. The competition was close, as evidenced by the averages. The first eight places ranged from 68.9% to 75.5%.

Angie Cieslak slipped through a closely matched Class 2 undefeated. There was only a five percent spread among the first seven pitchers. Ed Bodinski pitched one of his best tournaments, including a 77.7% game, to sweep Class 3. Bob Deuster stepped out of the junior ranks and suffered no losses while winning Class 4.

## TURKEY SHOOT — (Continued)

John Belsito took the measure of Fred Simon in a Class 5 playoff for his first victory in his first tournament. A four-way tie in Class 6 was decided in favor of Bill Wilkie as he defeated first Paul Morrisette and then Norm Ricard. Ricard posted his first playoff win over Billy Joe Mac from Melrose.

Tony Nacewicz has been on something of a tear since September and pitched his third fine tournament in succession, good for the Class 7 title. Dave Baillargeon pitched one of his finer tournaments to pull in Class 8 honors. Young Chuck McNeill continued his winning ways (he was Junior Tournament of Champions winner) by taking the Class 9 title. And last, but certainly not least, Jim Styles, who is a strong contender for NHPA League Player of the Year, swept Class 10 with one of his best averages.

The chairman of the NHPA Standard Score Calling Committee ought to know better, but Ed Domey has been using a new call for ringer each, one point. He calls it, "Dink, dink, one."

**THE NEW ERA** — The Heritage Turkey Shoot marked the beginning of a new era (Equalized Ringer Artists) in horseshoe pitching. For the first time in a sanctioned tournament, permitted by a new NHPA rule, we held a mixed open, wherein women pitched with the men at their own distance. The overall level of competition in Class 1 was increased with the addition of Debby Michaud and Vivien Deuster. Debby lost some seat squirmers but hit class high game of 85%, her highest in about 2 years. Vivien said she was weak from being sick earlier in the week but was going to finish the tournament if she had to crawl; her last two games crawled into the 70's! Edith Gadoury had high average in Class 6, but finished fifth. She found it easy to get to 32 points but couldn't seem to close out the games. It is this kind of "seasoning" that the women do not get using handicaps or playing mis-matched groups of their own. Brenda McNeill turned in the best finish, second spot in Class 7. Lisa Deuster and Barbara McNeill couldn't get their pitching acts together this time out, but they'll get their share of wins in the future.

How did people react to this change? A couple of non-pitching women said they didn't like it. A couple of men weren't overly fond of the idea either. One, who did not express an opinion pro or con, was heard to say, "This is the toughest game I ever pitched." He wasn't referring to the ringers he was trying to cover. However, the overall reaction was favorable. We believe that after a few more trials a man-woman mathup will simply be regarded as another game in the quest for top spot. Bernie Herfurth was highly in favor of it. His three wins were over Debby, Vivien, and his "automatic", Ed Domey.

**CLASS 1** — Norm Rioux, Ct 5-2-74.4; Ed Domey, MA 5-2-70.2; Bill MacIntyre, NJ 5-2-69.4; Bob Domey, RI 4-3-75.5; Art Tyson, NY 4-3-74.1; Debby Michaud, MA 3-4-73.8; Bernard Herfurth, MA 3-4-68.9; Joe Schultz, NY 2-5-71.9; Vivien Deuster, NY 2-5-65.8; Charlie Bonani, MA 1-6-61.8

**CLASS 2** — Angie Cieslak, MA 7-0-59.8; Ron Ahlstrom, MA 5-2-60.7; Paul Drowne, MA 5-2-56.9; Russ Sweeney, MA 5-2-55.5; Walt Deuster, NY 4-3-56.5; Bernard Mullady, NJ 3-4-57.0; Paul Cormier, MA 3-4-55.9; Pete Prouty, VT 1-6-53.8; Ray Peloquin, MA 1-6-51.9; Mike Donovan, NH 1-6-47.6

**CLASS 3** — Ed Bodinski, MA 7-0-59.8; Joe Merritt, MA 6-1-60.6; Rick Howe, MA 5-2-59.3; Orton Cushman, MA 4-3-51.2; Dick Belanger, NH 3-4-46.4; Sam Raymond, NH 2-5-47.0; Bill Davis, MA 1-6-36.9; Fran Norman, MA 0-7-34.0

**CLASS 4** — Bob Deuster, NY 7-0-55.9; Al Latouche, CT 5-2-51.0; Dick Belanger, NH 5-2-49.6; Greg Rutkowski, MA 4-3-46.5; Art Wayne, NH 4-3-45.2; Bill Davis, MA 3-4-49.6; Bill Dickinson, MA 3-4-43.5; Bob Dorn, Sr, MA 2-5-45.9; Bill Dupont, MA 2-5-39.6; Lisa Deuster, NY 0-7-36.5

**CLASS 5** — John Belsito, MA 6-1-45.3; Fred Simon, MA 6-1-44.4; Bill White, MA 5-2-41.7; Dick O'Brien, MA 4-3-37.3; Edgar Cote, MA 4-3-33.6; Bill Macleod, NY 4-3-32.3; Bob Dorn, Jr., MA 3-4-34.5; Walter Hooley, NY 2-5-25.4; Joe Guy, MA 1-6-33.2; Jay Benton, CT 0-7-27.7; Playoff: Belsito 36 (46.1%), Simon 26 (44.2%).

**CLASS 6** — Bill Wilkie, NH 5-2-37.9; Norm Ricard, NH 5-2-37.1; Bill McMahon, MA 5-2-35.2; Paul Morrisette, MA 5-2-35.3; Edith Gadoury, MA 4-3-40.6; Tom Henley, MA 4-3-34.0; Harry Schricker, MA 3-4-32.6; Bill Lawson, MA 3-4-31.9; Ernest Levangie, MA 1-6-26.0; Barbara McNeill, MA 0-7-26.0. Playoffs: 1. Wilkie 36 (52.4%), Morrisette 21 (31.1%), 2. Ricard 37 (47.4%), McMahon 8 (21.0%), 3. Wilkie 38 (39.1%), Ricard 27 (28.2%), 4. McMahon 37 (46.1%), Morrisette 24 (40.4%).

**CLASS 7** — Tony Nacewicz, MA 6-1-33.5; Brenda McNeill, MA 5-2-36.8; Buddy Ploof, MA 5-2-33.5; Andy Domini-que, MA 5-2-32.1; Whitey Bates, MA 5-2-29.0; Bob Butler, MA 4-3-32.6; Red Cote, MA 2-5-28.9; Tom Courtney, MA 1-6-30.4; Warren Hall, NH 1-6-30.1; Hank Labine, NH 1-6-18.3



## TURKEY SHOOT — (Continued)

**CLASS 8** — Dave Baillargeon, NH 6-1-30.8; Rich Everitt, MA 5-2-30.5; John Markey, MA 4-3-24.2; John Palmer, MA 4-3-21.0; Bruce Stovall, CT 3-4-22.8; Mike Desroches, MA 3-4-22.0; Bob Gesick, CT 3-4-17.3; Hank Labine, NH 0-7-21.5

**CLASS 9** — Chuck McNeill, MA 6-1-27.1; Ray Towle, NH 5-2-22.1; William Ryan, CT 5-2-19.9; Charlie Rutkowski, MA 4-3-26.0; Bud Whitehouse, MA 4-3-20.5; Reggie Ploof, MA 2-5-17.1; Don Moreau, NH 1-6-13.9; Bart Sargent, MA 1-6-11.1

**CLASS 10** — Jim Styles, Sr., NH 5-0-25.5; Dick Olsen, MA 4-1-19.3; Ray Aronson, CT 3-2-17.4; Frank Wing, NH 2-3-14.7; Bob Massa, CT 1-4-10.6; Bill Gowin, MA 0-5-9.4

## HORSESHOE ACTIVITY ON THE MOVE IN SUN CITY, CALIF.

By Mark Garnder

The Sun City Horseshoe Club's nine members comprise one of the community's smallest organizations.

But what the group lacks in size, it more than makes up in enthusiasm and enjoyment.

Tom Buck, Lyle Cottingham, Terry Hoggatt, Don and Dorothy McAllister, Bill Ronkaninen, Earl Thiel and Gene and Mary Van Sant — they're all out at the civic center pits at 8 a.m. every weekday and many return in the evening to pitch shoes again.

Until the Van Sants and the McAllisters came along, several months ago, the club consisted of only five members.

The Van Sants, as well as other pitchers, say that horseshoe pitching can't be topped for exercise.

Gene has pitched shoes since 1970. He began to take up the sport because it helped his ailing back condition.

"If it hadn't been for horseshoes, I wouldn't be walking right now," he says.

His wife, Mary, has only pitched for a year. She began last year when she watched other women take up the sport and decided, "Hey, I can beat them."

She was right. Just 12 months after starting her first tournament with a 10 percent ringer average. She advanced to the State tournament where she was the second highest qualifier in the Class B Women's division. She has since played in a tournament at Burbank and was the only woman in the class of men. She displayed her ringer ability by defeating all the men winning seven games and posting a 45.0 percent ringer average.

The Sun City Club has 4 excellent courts and they are in steady use.

## TENNESSEE TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS WON BY D. WARD

It was a delightful day on September 20 in Cleveland, Tennessee as the annual Tennessee Tournament of Champions got underway. There were several games in the 70 and 80 percent bracket among which Grady Whaley hit 39 ringers in 46 shoes for a cool 84.8 percent. Don Ward had a 4-1-72.7 record win the Class A title followed by O.D. Lebow in second spot with 3-2-74.4

**CLASS A** — D. Ward 4-1-72.2; O.D. Lebow 3-2-74.4; R. Norwood 3-2-71.9; T.R. Little 3-2-69.2; D. Stallings 2-3-61.4; G. Lewis 0-5-54.3

**CLASS B** — C. Montgomery 5-0-65.9; E. Long 3-2-60.6; C. Green 3-2-52.9; F. Campbell 2-3-53.7; J. Shelton 1-4-44.7; J. Adkerson 1-4-41.7;

**CLASS C** — S. Jackson 3-2-63.3; J. Black 3-2-57.1; G. Whaley 3-2-56.2; J. Waters 3-2-54.0; J. B. Wells 3-2-53.5; H. Self 0-5-42.9

**CLASS D** — W. Grant 4-1-50.6; M. Rich 3-2-50.9; L. Beach 3-2-47.2; W. Gee 3-2-46.9; Jr. Haire 2-3-45.7; J. Smith 0-5-35.2

**CLASS E** — L. Wilson 5-0-51.3; S. Long 4-1-42.2; R. Wilkey 3-2-38.9; B. Arms 2-3-36.7; J. Whaley 1-4-35.0; D. Caylor 0-5-14.7

## TWO IOWANS, VANDERGRIF & DARNOLD WIN TOURNAMENTS AT FRANKLIN SQUARE INDOOR COURTS — QUINCY, ILL.

**OCTOBER 25th TOURNAMENT — CLASS A** — Bill Vandegriff, 5-0-75.4; Harold Darnold, 4-1-68.1; Karl Van Sant, 3-2-70.5; Rolly Wittlich, 2-3-64.1; Dusty Rhoades, 1-4-46.8; Lynn Lyman, 0-5-51.6.

**CLASS AA** — Buck Neville, 5-0-69.4; Clint Van Dusen, 4-1-52.8; George Johnson, 2-3-51.8; Bob Campbell, 2-3-55.8; Hiram Nelson, 2-3-55.6; Larry Robbins, 0-5-38.7.

**CLASS B** — Loren Gillespie, 4-1-53.7; Don Prottzman, 4-1-56.0; Grant Hintz, 2-3-42.0; Bob Johnson, 2-3-45.3; Bob Switzer, 2-3-43.1; Bob McQueen, 1-4-44.1.

**CLASS BB** — W. Simmermaker, 4-1-52.2; Henry Franke, 3-2-44.2; C.H. Jennings, 3-2-42.2; Steve Marshall, 2-3-45.4; Chalmer McClain, 2-3-41.2; Stuart Cravens, 1-4-41.4.

**CLASS C** — Woody Woodworth, 4-1-37.8; Jim Miles, 3-2-27.7; Herb Boxard, 3-2-32.0; Al LaFond, 3-2-26.7; Geo. Billings, 1-4-22.0; Lee Junk, 0-5-20.5.

**CLASS D** — Larry Robbins, 5-0-44.4; Russ Davidson, 4-1-32.3; C. Schuermann, 2-3-23.7; Tom Mueller, 2-3-27.3; Bob St. George, 1-4-19.4; Ray Lyon, 1-4-22.7.

**CLASS E** — G. Simmermake, 5-0; Chalmer McClain, 3-2; Bill Heaton, 3-2; Herb Bozard, 2-3; Tom Beck, 1-4; Jim Reeves, 1-4.

**CLASS F** — Bill Marshall, 5-0; Wayne Maggart, 4-1; Ted Grant, 3-2; Ken Powers, 2-3; Jeff Williams, 1-4.

**LADIES CLASS** — Anne Darnold, First; Elaine Grant, Second.

**DECEMBER 27th TOURNAMENT — CLASS A** — Harold Darnold, 5-0; Randy Parton, 4-1; Bob Campbell, 3-2; Geo. Johnson, 2-3; Clint Van Dusen, 1-4; Bill Heaton, 0-5.

**CLASS B** — Bob Johnson, 5-0; Jim Reeves, 3-2; W. Simmermaker, 3-2; Chalmer McClain, 2-3; Bob Switzer, 2-3; Floyd Hammitt, 0-5.

**CLASS C** — Vince Stangeland, 5-0; Jim Miles, 4-1; Phil Carlisle, 3-2; C. Schuermann, 2-3; Wayne DeJaynes, 1-4;

**CLASS D** — Joe Hightower, 5-0; Ken Powers, 4-1; Herbe Bozard, 3-2; Bill Bouyea, 2-3; Russ Davidson, 1-4; Tom Mueller, 0-5.

**CLASS E** — C. Schuermann, 5-0; Frank Burnham, 4-1; Fred Torbeck, 4-1; Franklin Archer, 3-2; H. Carson, 1-4.

## STEINFELDT WINS SARASOTA HOLIDAY OPEN

A cold day was on hand to greet 59 contestants for the Holiday Open held Dec. 27 at Bee Ridge Park in Sarasota. Despite the cold weather Carl Steinfeldt had another fine day.

Other winners were Len LaBanca in Class B. Lennie had a good day averaging 56.2% and beat Ed Howdeshell in a play-off game. Class C winner was Marion Collins who won all his games while averaging 51.9%. Ray Billen of Wisconsin took Class D honors after winning a 4-way play-off over Chris Miller, Bill Bauman, and Frank Stites. Class E was won by Dick LaPeer, Class F Jim Pelkey, and Class G by Len LaBanca, Jr. A big thank you goes to Leo Mcgrath for his record keeping, and Don Seefeldt for keeping the coffee pot going.

**CLASS A** — Carl Steinfeldt, Clearwater 7-0 82.3%; Mickey Broughton, Tampa 4-3 65.1%; Paul Scheub, Sarasota 4-3 57.4%; Levi Miller, Sarasota 3-4 63.9%; Wayne Luoma, Ohio 3-4 62.7%; Jack Fahey, Bradenton 3-4 60.4%; Marv Richmond, Bradenton 2-5 60.1%; Dick Ferguson 2-5 59.9%. Sarasota

**CLASS B** — Len LaBanca, Venice 6-1 56.2%; Ed Hosdeshell, Haines City 6-1 50.9%; Paul Swartz, Clearwater 5-2 44.6%; Bill Wade, 3-4 46.2%; Mel Ringger, Bradenton 3-4 43.7%; Hank Mullet, Sarasota 2-5 41.8%; Howard Lea, Bradenton 2-5 41.4%; Bob Widdersheim, Clearwater 1-6 45.3%.

**CLASS C** — Marion Collins, Dunedin 7-0 51.9%; Charlie Lentz, Oneco 6-1 55.2%; Rex Swinson, Sarasota 5-2 44.6%; Wilbur Rocke, Sarasota 4-3 49.6%; Earl Colgan, Bradenton 3-4 47.6%; Dick Senger, Winter Haven 2-5 39.9%; Oscar Gaudette, New Smyrna Bch. 1-6 41.3%; Clarence Nause, Venice 0-7 34.9%.

**CLASS D** — Ray Billen, Wisconsin 3-2 38.4%; Chris Miller, Sarasota 3-2 35.3%; Bill Bauman, Ft. Meyers 3-2 52.5%; Frank Stites, Bradenton 3-2 42.0%; John Zehnder, Ruskin 2-3 35.5%; Pat O-Toole, Bradenton 1-4 34.0%. Billen won play-off for 1st place.

**STEINFELDT — (Continued)**

**CLASS E** — Dick La Peer, Sarasota 4-1 33.7%; Gene Bennett, Holiday 3-2 42.8%; Les Long, Bradenton 3-2 34.6%; Bob Babcock, Bradenton 3-2 31.8%; Ronnie Ronemus, Bradenton 2-3 28.8%; Leonard Tibbie, Brooksville 0-5 25.4%.

**CLASS F** — Jim Pelkey, Bradenton 6-0 33.3%; Ron Haun, Illinois 4-2 26.5%; Charles Dunlap, Ohio 3-3 28.5%; Norm Gaseau, Clearwater 3-3 26.2%; Charles Helmuth, Mass. 2-4 21.3%; Earle Johnson, Bradenton 2-4 19.0%; Roger Sutor, Tampa 1-5 23.1%.

**CLASS G** — Len LaBanca, Jr. New Jersey 4-1 24.2%; Bill Cooper, Seminole 3-2 20.5%; Archie Carter, Bradenton 3-2 11.6%; Bill Bensch, Clearwater 2-3 14.8%; Ralph Crawford, Iowa 2-3 13.6%; Jim Dey, Ruskin 1-4 9.8%.

**SOLOMON WINNER OF TWO INDOOR MEETS AT UNIONTOWN, PA**

In two indoor tournaments held at the Fayette County club courts in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, it was Jim Solomon all the way, winning top spot in Class A competition

**CLASS A** — Jim Solomon, Uniontown, PA, 5-0-80.2; John Ruskin, Pitts., 3-2-63.8; Clyde Martz, Pitts., 2-3-67.4; Bob Straitiff, Uniontown, 2-3-61.9; Casey Danner, Newell, 2-3-61.7; Ray Rugg, Mill Run, 1-4-58.1.

**CLASS B** — Chuck Roball, Pitts., 4-1-53.5; Dave Remington, Brownsville, 4-1-53.1; Joe Leech, Smithfield, 2-3-58.2; Dave Meckevec, Pitts., 2-3-53.4; Chuck Semans, Pitts., 2-3-52.3; Frank Giampa, Pitts., 1-4-45.2.

**CLASS C** — Ed Martinko, Markleysburg, 3-2-47.4; Joe Roebuck, Uniontown, 3-2-46.5; Joe Pagnanelli, Pitts., 3-2-43.6; Bert Rugg, Mill Run, 3-2-49.0; George Fichter, Pitts., 2-3-47.6; Marshal Flowers, Lumberport, WVa, 1-4-42.2.

**CLASS D** — Glenn Williams, Uniontown, 5-0-48.6; Dick James, Pitts., 3-2-42.1; Harry Clement, Pitts., 3-2-37.4; Bob Lapping, Beaver Falls, 2-3-32.3; Ed Molitoris, Fredericktown, 1-4-31.1; Ed Donawitz, New Brighton, 1-4-31.1. Fill In.

**CLASS E** — Edgar Jones, Belle Vernon, 5-0-45.5; Ed Donawitz, New Brighton, 3-2-36.2; Fill In. Neil Koontz, Hopwood, 3-2-33.7; Fill In George Jodon, Johnstown, pa, 3-2-30.3; Alex Burns, New Salem, 1-4-27.3; Fill In, Chick Denk, Johnstown, PA 0-5-29.1.

**CLASS F** — Joe Orsini, Brownsville, PA, 4-1-38.1; Bill Williams, Uniontown, 3-2-37.7; Dick Tunney, Pitts., 3-2-35.1; Ed Donawitz, New Brighton, 2-3-33.5; Forrest Robinson, Worthington, W.VA, 2-3-33.4; H.J. Farnen, Connoquenessing, 1-4-36.0.

**CLASS G** — John Smarslok, Uniontown, 5-1-36.4; Jim Danner, Vanderbilt, 4-2-34.9; Ron Weiss, Pitts. 4-2-31.6; Ron Gaydos, Uniontown, 4-2-26.2; Calvin Bittner, Mill Run, 3-3-33.5; Fred Rugg, Mill Run, 1-5-15.8; Harvey Tressler, Mill Run, 0-6-9.1.

**NOVEMBER 14-15-16 — CLASS A** — Jim Solomon Uniontown, Pa. 5-0-82.2; Clyde Martz Pitts., Pa. 4-1-75.2; Clair Bruce New Castle, Pa. 3-2-62.6; John Ruskin Pitts., Pa. 1-4-59.7; Ken Smith East Liverpool, Ohio 1-4-58.4; Bob Straitiff Uniontown Pa. 1-4-54.9

**CLASS B** — Casey Danner Newell, Pa. 5-0-61.1; Raymond Rugg Mill Run, Pa. 4-1-58.4; Joe Leech Smithfield, Pa. 3-2-51.6; Chuck Semans Pitts., Pa. 2-3-51.4; Chuck Roball Pitts., Pa. 1-4-47.8; Dave Remington Brownsville, Pa. 0-5-44.9

**CLASS C** — George Fichter Pitts., Pa. 4-1-53.8; Joe Roebuck Uniontown, Pa. 4-1-50.7; Dave Meckevec Pitts., Pa. 4-1-53.2; Bert Rugg Mill Run, Pa. 2-3-48.5; Marshal Flowers Lumberport, W.Va. 1-4-40.7; Joe Pagnanelli Pitts., Pa. 0-5-39.0

**CLASS D** — Glenn Williams Uniontown, Pa. 5-0-47.2; Dick James Pitts., Pa. 3-2-42.4; Frank Giampa Pitts., Pa. 3-2-38.8; Elmer Williams Lockport, N.Y. 2-3-38.1; Bob Lapping Beaver Falls, Pa. 1-4-40.4; Ed Martinko Markleysburg, Pa. 1-4-40.4

**CLASS E** — Warren Early Uniontown, Pa. 5-0-42.3; Bill Williams Uniontown, Pa. 3-2-32.3; Ed. Molitoris Fredricktown, Pa 2-3-39.3; Ed. Jones Belle Vernon, Pa. 2-3-38.5; John Williams Ohio pyle, Pa. 2-3-35.6; Joe Orsino Brownsville, Pa. 1-4-30.0

**CLASS F** — John Jr. Strader Weston, W.Va. 5-0-40.3; Ed. Donawitz New Brighton, Pa. 4-1-37.7; Forrest Robinson Worthington, W.Va. 3-2-33.6; John Basinger Mill Run, Pa. 1-4-31.4; Jim Danner Vanderbilt, Pa. 0-5-28.8; Calvin Bittner Mill Run, Pa. 2-3-28.2

**CLASS G** — Ron Gaydos Uniontown, Pa. 5-0-34.1; Rodney Williams Republic, Pa. 4-1-24.7; Dallas Jenkins Markleysburg, Pa. 3-2-22.0; Scott Williams Ohio pyle, Pa. 1-4-13.5; Fred Rugg Mill Run, Pa. 1-4-13.0; Harve Tressler Mill Run, Pa. 1-4-12.1

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## COMING EVENTS

### FLORIDA SCHEDULE

NHPA and State membership card required. Entry fee \$6.00. Send to proper contact 7 days before tournament date. Players will pay scorekeepers 25 cents per game. Those who drop out after deadline will forfeit their entry fee unless tournament is cancelled.

Feb. 6-7 — Central Florida Open, Winter Haven, FL. Contact (L). First day of tournament for pitchers 40% & under.

Feb. 14 — Sebring Open, Sebring, FL Contact (E).

Feb. 13-14 — Sarasota Open, Sarasota, FL. Contact (D). First day of tournament for pitchers 40% & under.

Feb. 21 — Silver Spurs Rodeo Open, St. Cloud, FL. Contact (A).

Feb. 27-28 — Strawberry Festival, Plant City, FL. Contact (J). First day of tournament for pitchers 50% & under.

March 7 — Florida East Coast Open, Titusville, FL. Contact (K). 50-shoe Count-All tournament.

March 6-7 — Manatee Open, Bradenton, FL. Contact (H). First day of tournament for pitchers 40% & under.

March 14 — Race City Open, Sebring, FL.

March 13-14 — Seminole Pow-Pow, Seminole, FL. Contact (C). First day of tournament for pitchers 40% & under.

March 21 — Orlando Open, Orlando, FL. Contact (I).

March 20-21 — DeSoto Open, Bradenton, FL. Contact (H). First day of tournament for pitchers 40% & under.

March 27-28-29 — "Chief Charley's" U.S. Invitational Clearwater, FL. Contact (B).

April 4 — Bee Ridge Open, Sarasota, FL. Contact (D).

April 4 — Central Florida Ridge Open, Winter Haven, FL. Contact (L).

April 11 — Atlantic Coast Open, New Smyrna Beach, FL. Contact (G).

April 18 — Florida State Tournament (Closed), Clearwater, FL. Contact (F).

### TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

A — Helmer Anderson, 1100 Indiana Ave., St. Cloud, FL 32769 (303-892-2051)

B — Geo. Buskey, 603 Southgate Park, Clearwater, FL 33516 (813-441-3332)

C — Lee Davis, P.O. Box 3426, Seminole, FL 33542 (813-392-8504)

D — Dick Ferguson, 4337 Midland Rd., Sarasota, FL 33581 (813-924-4117)

E — Jim Fourman, 2832 Bolin Lane, Sebring, FL 33870 (813-385-7372)

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L — Joe West, 6250 Halabrin Rd., Haines City, FL 33844 (813-422-2053)

### INDIANA'S WINTER INDOOR SCHEDULE

#### Rush Indoor Courts — Rushville, Indiana

(2nd floor—Coco-Cola Co.) 131½ W. First St.

Feb. 7-8 — Rush Indoor Open, Entry fee \$7.00, 35 points.

March 7-8 — March Chrisman Special Open, Entry fee \$7.00, 35 points.

April 4-5 — Henry Franke Special Open, Entry fee \$7.00, 35 points.

April 25-26 — Indoor State Entry fee \$9.00. Top class 50 points others 35.

Send all entries to Robert L. Reid, State Sec., 34 N. Beechwood Ave., Scottsburg, IN 47170. Phone 812-752-2195. Phone deadline: Sunday before; Mail deadline: 10 days before.

### EASTERN MONTANA SCHEDULE

May 31—Froid

June 14—Fairview

June 28—Ekalaka

July 12—Culbertson

July 19—Plentywood

July 26—Glasgow

Aug. 2—Wolf Point

Aug. 16—Sidney Invitational

For further information on Eastern Montana Tournament, contact D. Buxbaum, P.O. Box 423, Sidney, Montana 59270.

### ARIZONA SCHEDULE—1980-81

#### PIONEER PARK, MESA

FOR ALL TOURNAMENTS, except the Valley of the Sun, entries will be **LIMITED TO 84 men and 12 women**. Qualifying percentage will decide.

Feb. 20-21-22 — Valley of the Sun Open. NHPA sanctioned. Any state and NHPA membership required. Entries close Feb. 7. Mail to Ralph McCarty, 5334 East Hermosa Vista Drive, Mesa, Arizona 85205. Phone 602-985-1525.

Mar. 13-14 — Snowbird Open. Entries close Mar. 7. Mail to Ralph McCarty, 5334 East Hermosa Vista Drive, Mesa, Arizona 85205. Phone 602-985-1525.

ENTRY FEES: \$4.00 (except \$7.00 for Valley of the Sun; with an extra \$3.00 for Class A qualifiers.

## Coming Events—Continued

### CLASSIC INDOOR COURTS 415 Columbus St. Lancaster, Ohio

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Feb. 14-15-21-22—Wilbur Kabel Classic.

Mar. 14-15-21-22—Stan Manker Classic.

1st 64 players to enter only. Top 4 classes, 32 players; NHPA Sanctioned. Entry fee \$3 payable to Classic Billiards, 415 N. Col. St. Lancaster, OH 43130. Phone: (614) 653-0545. Entries must enter 10 days

before tourney date. If you desire you can send in \$32 in advance and that will reserve you a place in all four events.

All classes 8-man (if possible), round-robin using 50 point cancellation with each player receiving 1 pt. for each 4-dead which stops at 40 points. Scorekeeper will be paid 25¢ per game from each player.

Top 4 classes will always play on the first weekend. Class A will always be Sat. Nite. There will be a women's tournament on Friday nite at 7 p.m. on the second weekend of each event, tournament awards given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

### OHIO STATE SCHEDULE

Feb. 7-8-14-15-21 and 22, 1981 — Snowball Open, Greenville, OH (Sanctioned). Qualify Jan. 31-Feb. 1 or send entry of \$6.00 and pct. to Fritz Worner, 150 Ridgeview, Greenville, OH 45331. Ph. 513-548-1412.

April 25-26 and May 2-3-9 and 10 — Indoor Ohio State (Sanctioned). Send entry fee of \$10.00 and pct. to Donnie Roberts, 9439 Camp Creek Road, Lucasville, OH 45648. NO PHONE CALLS.

May 16-17—Hamilton Open. Classes A,B,C,D (Sanctioned). Deadline for entries, May 10. Send fee of \$7.50 and percentage to: Al Davis, 1240 Western Ave., Hamilton, OH 45013. Ph. 513-895-4523.

May 23-24—Memorial Open, Xenia, OH (Sanctioned). Deadline May 10. Contact Ken Waggoner, 476 Cottage Grove Ave., Xenia, OH 45385. Ph. 513-372-1550. Entry fee \$8.00 and pct. to Ken Waggoner.

June 5-6-7—Kenny Dawes Memorial, Washington, CT, House, Ohio. Classes A, B, C, D (Sanctioned). Deadline May 31. Send \$8 fee and pct. to: Lester Stephenson, 617 Damon Dr., Washington, Ct. House, OH 43160. Phone: 614-335-4707 or to Earl Rea, 7651 Camp Grove, C.E., Good Hope, OH 43121. Ph. 614-335-1754.

June 13-14—Silver Dollar Open, Lancaster, OH. Classes A,B,C,D (Sanctioned). Deadline June 7. \$8 fee and pct. to Weldon Martin, 611 Edgewood, Lancaster, OH, 43130. Ph. 614-654-1817.

June 20-21—Hebron Open, Hebron, OH. Classes A,B,C, D (Sanctioned). Deadline June 13. \$8 entry fee and pct. to: Phil Hummel, 5099 Fallsbury, Newark, OH 43055. Ph. 614-345-3655.

June 26-27-28—Marysville Open, Marysville, OH. Classes A,B,C,D, (Sanctioned). Deadline June 20. \$8 entry fee and pct. to: Garland Glassburn, 137 First St., Marysville, OH 43046. Ph. 513-642-0641.

June 26-27-28—Baker Curley Memorial Open, Toledo, OH. (Sanctioned). Deadline June 20. \$8 entry fee and pct. to Jerry Wheeler, 3341 Plainview Drive, Toledo, OH 43615.

July 11 & 21—Fort Hamilton Days, Hamilton, Ohio. Classes A,B,C,D. (Sanctioned). Deadline July 6. \$8 entry fee and pct. to: Al Davis, 1240 Western Ave., Hamilton, OH 45013. Ph. 513-895-4523.

July 18-19—Piqua Open, Piqua, OH. Classes A,B,C,D (Sanctioned). First 48 men ONLY. Deadline July 11. Trophies only Playoff in Class A only All six man classes. Send \$7 entry fee and pct. to Francis Asher, 1425 Mulberry St., Piqua, OH 45350. Ph. 513-778-1031.

Sept. 12-13 — Chillicothe Open. Classes A,B,C,D (Sanctioned) Deadline Sept. 6. Entry fee of \$8 and Pct. to Tom King, 63 Page Rd., Chillicothe, OH 45601. Ph. 614-733-1993.

### FAYETTE COUNTY (PA.) SCHEDULE 253 So. Mt. Vernon Ave. UNIONTOWN, PA 15401

The club's new rules and regulations permit us, as Tournament Directors, to accept only the FIRST 36 PAID ENTRANTS. In other words, first come, first serve. Our tournaments will be a 6 Man Round Robin, all games will be 50 point cancellation with 1 point apiece for 4 Dead up to 40 points, and hopefully 6 classes depending upon participation. We will notify you by mail as to pitching time and day.

Entry fee of \$8.00 and highest percentage must accompany your entry 10 days prior to tournament date, NO TELEPHONE CALLS WILL BE ACCEPTED. There will be no refund of entry fee if unable to attend.

Feb. 13-14-15 — Ed Martinko, P.O. Box 113, Markleysburg, PA 15459, 412-329-4972. Or Dallas Jenkins, R.D. 1, Box 98, Markleysburg, PA 15459, 412-329-4877.

March 13-14-15 — Alex Burns, Box 476, New Salem, PA 15468, 412-245-8600.

April 24-25-26 — Warren Early, 110 Delaware Ave., Uniontown, PA 15401, 412-437-6925. Or Casey Danner, Box 288, Newell, PA 15466, 412-938-2397.

May 15-16-17 — Neil Koontz, R.D. 2, Box 32, Hopwood, PA 15445, 412-438-2116.

## Coming Events—Continued

### HERITAGE RECREATION SCHEDULE SUTTON, MASS.

- Feb. 8 — Mid-Winter Special, 35% and under.  
 Feb. 15 — Mid-Winter Special, 36% and up.  
 March 8 — Edgar Landry Memorial, 35% and under.  
 March 15 — Edgar Landry Memorial, 36% and up.  
 April 5 — Easter Ham Shoot, 35% and under.  
 April 12 — Easter Ham Shoot, 36% and up.  
 April 26 — Heritage National, 35% and under.  
 May 2-3 — Heritage National, 36% and up. Special Guest Pitcher.  
 May 24 — Club Championship (Members only)

Entry fee: \$10.00. All entries accepted will be notified by postal card.

### FRANKLIN SQUARE SCHEDULE QUINCY, ILLINOIS

- Feb. 7 — Open. Entry fee: \$2. Ribbons.  
 Feb. 28 — Open. Entry fee \$8. Trophies. Door Prizes Drawings. All tournaments 6-man classes including women's classes.

### OPDYCKE INDOOR COURTS

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February 21-22

March 21-22  
 April 18-19

### NORTH CAROLINA SCHEDULE

- April 24-25-26 — 13th Annual Carolina Dogwood Festival Open, Lakewood Park Courts, Statesville, N.C.  
 May 23 — Iredell County Singles and Doubles tournament, Closed. Statesville.  
 June 13 — North Carolina NHPA Singles and Doubles Open, Lakewood Park, Statesville, NC.  
 July 4 — Old Fashioned 4th of July Tournament, Miller Park courts, Winston, Salem, N.C.  
 July 18 — North Carolina, 4-man Team County Open, Lakewood Park, Statesville, NC.

- July 30-Aug. 9 — World Tournament, Genola, MN  
 Aug. 15 — North Carolina Recreation and Park Society Singles Open, Lakewood Park, Statesville, N.C.  
 Aug. 28-29-30 — Winston-Salem Work Horse Open, Miller Park, Winston, Salem, NC.  
 Sept. 19-20 — 12th Annual Statesville Autumn Open, Lakewood Park, Statesville, NC  
 Sept. 26 — Statesville Fall Round-Up Open tournament, Lakewood Park, Statesville, NC

### PREIMESBERGER ARENA SCHEDULE

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- Mar. 21-22 — 3rd Annual St. Patrick's Open. Sign up deadline, March 11. Send entries to: Henry Preimesberger, Rt. 2, Pierz, MN, 56364.  
 May 23-24-25 — 1st Annual Memorial Day Open. Sign up deadline May 13. Send entries to: Henry Preimesberger, Rt. 2, Pierz, MN 56364.  
 July 4-5 — 4th Annual 4th of July Open. Sign up deadline June 24. Send entries to: Henry Preimesberger, Rt. 2, Pierz, MN 56364.  
 July 30-Aug. 9 — WORLD TOURNAMENT. More information later. Also watch the NEWS DIGEST for

tourney information.

- Sept. 5-6-7 — Minnesota State Tournament. Tournament Directors: Erwin Tischer Family, R. #1, Box 267, Good Thunder, MN 56037. 507-278-3424. More information later.  
 Oct. 31-Nov. 1 — 4th Annual Halloween Open. Sign up deadline — October 21. Send entries to: Henry Preimesberger, Rt. 2, Pierz, MN 56364.  
 Nov. 28-29 — 3rd Annual Thanksgiving Open. Sign up deadline: November 18. Send entries to: Henry Preimesberger, Rt. 2, Pierz, MN 56364.

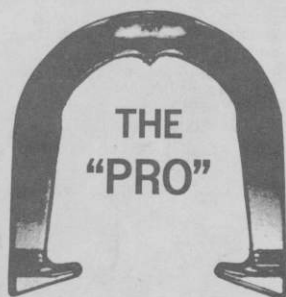
Entry fees will be given on the tournament flyers. Admission will be charged at all tournaments. All entrants will receive free admission button. Additional information will be on the tournament flyers.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL ENTRIES MUST HAVE RESIDENT STATE ASSOCIATION CARD!

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