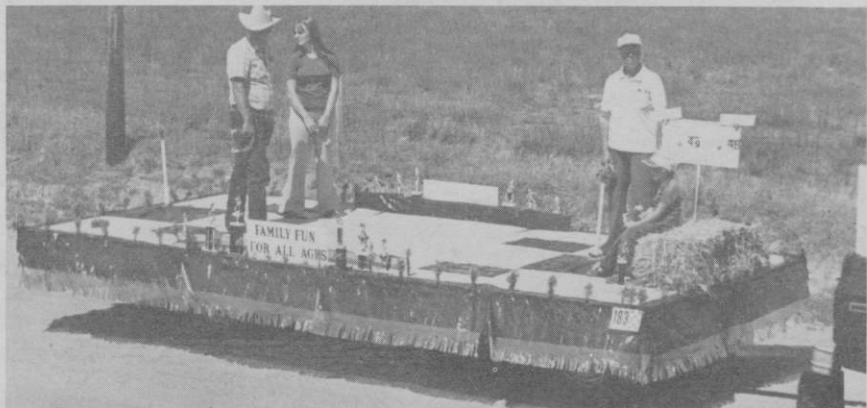


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NHPA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Wally Shipley

HAPPY NEW YEAR

*"This is the beginning of a new year.
God has given me this year to use as I will.
I can waste it or use it for good.
What I do this year is very important because
I am exchanging a year of my life for it.*

*When next year comes this year will be gone
forever, leaving something in its place.
I have traded for it: I want it to be gain—
not loss; Good—not evil; Success—not failure,
in order that I shall not forget the price I
paid for it."*

I sincerely hope and pray that it will be a healthy, happy and prosperous New Year for you and your family.

TWO SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE NEW YEAR

1. After seven years of single life, I found that special LADY. Her name is "SALLY". We were married on December 28, 1980.
2. I will be a candidate for re-election at the 1981 Convention in Genola, Minnesota.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE — (Continued)**DATES FOR THE 1981 WORLD TOURNAMENT ARE
JULY 30TH THRU AUGUST 9TH AT THE
18 INDOOR COURTS IN THE PREIMESBERGER ARENA**

Now that you have read and digested the fantastic Los Angeles County Fair World Invitational Tournament in the November issue, here is my personal comments and observations.

GAMES WERE TOO LONG!

I had never observed a contest of this nature where we had so many "EXTRA LONG" games. Being the announcer, I found myself searching for new descriptive words for two ringers—each no score or (4 dead) and other comments.

We always had a fantastic crowd watching; but, when the "non-horseshoe crowd" was observed coming and going during the games without watching any game to completion, you knew something would have to be changed in our sport.

Now, IF we as an association are not interested what the general public thinks of our sport—then, I guess we should leave our games at 50 points and stand still.

IF we want the world to be interested and watch our games with interest to their completion, then we need to change.

OK, I hear all of you 50 point flag wavers. I am not saying the club or state associations would have to give up the 50 point games. I am suggesting we need to shorten the games in the future Invitationals and World Tournaments.

At least let's prepare ourselves in the event television or a sponsor says we need shorter game to fit within their coverage times.

A few years ago, I had a conversation with Fernando Isais concerning shorter games.

Fernando's comment, "Someday, games will need to be shorter. Don't have a 'Shoe Game'. Shorten the points (35 points). This way if I am behind I always have a chance to win by stringing out 50 or so consecutive ringers."

Another widely talked about method in shortening the game is giving one point to each player for two ringers each (4 dead)—up to 40 points each then regular cancellation to 50.

At the 1981 Convention I am going to ask for the delegates consideration in shortening the game.

Please . . . Please—Dont' tune me out—THINK AND GIVE our sport a chance and give it the credit it deserves.

Let's start advancing horseshoes. After all, many other sports have changed from their original format and their forefathers rules.

Why should we be different?

HALL OF FAME NEWS

It was voted by the N.H.P.A. Hall of Fame Committee to be allowed to combine the achievements as a player and organizer for consideration in voting a candidate to the Hall of Fame, only in the 70 or over category.

It is known that some long time veterans have been fine players, but their records as such would not get them elected. After many years of playing, some members work as an organizer in addition to pitching.

With their combined achievements over a period of 20, 30, 40 and 50 years, their efforts more than qualify them in the 70 and over category.

If you have a candidate that is not making the grade in this category, please submit a combined history of their achievements for future consideration by the committee. All new first time histories are also welcome. Please send 15 "xerox" copies to Hall of Fame Chairman, Bernard Herfurth, 17 Fort Street, Northampton, Massachusetts 01060.

LINDA PATENAUDE IN BRILLIANT PERFORMANCE, WINS LADIES' TITLE IN VERMONT OPEN; MIKE SYLIVA TOPS IN JUNIORS; JOE SCHULTZ CLOSE WINNER OF MEN'S

In the annual Vermont Open tournament held on Sept. 20-21, Linda Patenaude of Oxford Maine played masterful horseshoes to win the Ladies title with brilliant 80.9 ringer percentage with 5 wins and one loss. Liz Downer was the runner-up. Mike Sylvia outdistanced his opponents with a perfect record of 5 in a row and 50.4 percent. Joe Schultz of Brentwood, New York, edged out Ed Domey of Sutton, Mass. to win the Men's championship posting a 6-1-77.4. Domey was second with 5-2 and 80.1 percent. Art Tyson of New York was third with 5-2-73.4 percent.

CLASS A WOMEN — Linda Patenaude, Oxford, Maine, 5-1-80.9; Liz Downer, Middlebury, Vt., 4-2-66.7; Janice Domey, Sutton, Mass., 3-3-54.6; Althea Sevingny, Laconia, N.H., 0-6-49.3.

CLASS B WOMEN — Colleen Boudreau, Rindge, N.H., 5-0-44.8; Mary Roberts, Jaffrey, N.H., 4-1-46.8; Vickie Patenaude, Oxford, Maine, 3-2-34.4; Gerry Begin, Framingham, Mass., 1-4-30.4; Anita Patenaude, Oxford, Main, 1-4-26.8; Barbara McNeill, Upton, Mass., 1-4-25.6.

CLASS A JUNIORS — Mike Sylvia, Weathersfield, Vt., 5-0-50.4; Jon Gokey, Bridgewater Corners, Vt., 4-1-34.4; Brenda McNeill, Upton, Mass., 3-2-35.6; Charles McNeill, Upton, Mass., 2-3-25.2; Raymond Gokey, Bridgewater Corners, Vt., 1-4-31.6; Danny Snide, Springfield, Vt., 0-5-17.7.

MEN'S CLASS C — Orton Cushman, E. Longmeadow, Mass., 4-1-50.8; Roger Henson, No. Haven, Conn., 3-2-55.6; Bob Many, Middlebury, Vt., 3-2-48.4; Bob Gokey, Bridgewater Corners, Vt., 2-3-42.8; Forrest Lander, 2-3-38.9; Robert Snide, Springfield, Vt., 1-4-36.2.

MEN'S CLASS D — Paul Domey, Sutton, Mass., 6-1-42; Donald Harrison, Westboro, Mass., 5-2-43.4; Robert C. Dorn, Jr., Springfield, Mass., 5-2-40.9; Bill Dickinson, Longmeadow, Mass., 4-3-41.7; Ray Benson, Springfield Vt., 3-4-38.9; William White, Worcester, Mass., 3-4-36.8; Larry Croteau, Keene, N.H., 2-5-36.8; Robert Harriman, Portland, Maine, 0-7-31.7.

MEN'S CLASS E — Elmer Moore, S. Royalton, Vt., 6-2-41.5; Wes Patenaude, Oxford, Maine, 5-3-37.8; Richard Lundgren, Wallingford, Conn., 4-3-43.4; Harry Schricker, No. Attleboro, Mass., 4-3-37.4; Robert E. Dorn, Sr., Springfield Mass., 4-3-37.1; Huck Day, Mansfield, Mass., 3-4-37.2; Cliff Richards, Reading, Vt., 3-4-34.6; Allan Rowell, Quincy, Mass., 0-7-20.3.

CLASS B JUNIORS — Kerry Plourde, Suncook, N.H., 4-0-17.5; Barbara Ann McNeill, Upton, Mass., 2-2-14.5; R. Bedell, Jr., 0-4-7.0.

MEN'S CLASS A — Joe Schultz, Brentwood, L.I., New York, 6-1-77.4; Ed Domey, Sutton, Mass., 5-2-80.1; Art Tyson, Mt. Vernon, N.Y., 5-2-73.4; Al Lord, Mechanic Falls, Maine, 4-3-78.3; Mike Patenaude, Oxford, Maine, 3-4-73.4; Kevin Hollister, Bennington, Vt., 3-4-72.1; Mike Boudreau, Fairfax, Vt., 2-5-61.2; Charlie Bonani, Braintree, Mass., 0-7-56.9.

MEN'S CLASS B — Brian Smith, Keene, N.H., 7-1-68.0; Paul Sylvia, Weathersfield, Vt., 6-2-68.2; Pete Prouty, Brattleboro, Vt., 5-2-60.0; Amos Whitaker, Orange, Mass., 4-3-55.4; Frank Lengyel, Springfield, Vt., 3-4-59.1; Bob Dean, Bethel, Vt., 2-5-53.1; Dick Greene, Bennington, Vt., 1-6-52.8; Carl York, New Sharon, Maine, 1-6-49.7.

MEN'S CLASS F — Ricky Fife, Pencook, N.H., 6-2-38.3; Thomas Henley, So. Hamilton, Mass., 5-3-35.7; Bill Progen, Acton, Mass., 4-3-37.1; Whitey Bates, Quincy, Mass., 4-3-31.7; Robert Ladd, Sr., Concord, N.H., 3-4-41.4; Bud Leavitt, So. Royalton, Vt., 3-4-35.7; Oscar Newell, Williamsville, Vt., 2-5-33.7; Ron Emmons, Springfield, Vt., 2-5-27.7.

MEN'S CLASS G — Howard Murphy, Compton, N.H., 7-0-42.7; Bill McMahon, Melrose, Mass., 6-1-35.7; Burnham Snide, Springfield, Vt., 5-2-30.8; R. Bryce York, New Sharon, Maine, 4-3-33.3; Jay Benton, Fitchville, Conn., 3-4-32.5; Charles Tracchia, Beverly, Mass., 2-5-31.7; Dique Gardner, Newport, N.H., 1-6-26.5; Richard Olsen, Quincy, Mass., 0-7-22.6.

MEN'S CLASS H — Pete Sevingny, Laconia, N.H., 6-1-27.7; Anthony Nacewicz, Agawam, Mass., 5-2-39.7; Jean Begin, Framingham, Mass., 4-3-29.7; Burnham Snide, Springfield, Vt., 4-3-29.3; Stanley Prior, Bridgewater Corners, Vt., 4-3-23.1; George Baraby, Colchester, Vt., 2-5-28.6; Tom Robinson, Bellows Falls, Vt., 2-5-26.3; Gary Lipka, Cambridge, Vt., 0-7-21.7.

VERMONT OPEN — (Continued)

MEN'S CLASS I — Allan Rowell, Quincy, Mass., 5-2-27.7; Jon Lively, Bennington, Vt., 4-3-24.6; Malcom Georgina, Keene, N.H., 4-3-22.9; Richard Plourde, Suncook, N.H., 4-3-22.6; Donald Green, Bennington, Vt., 4-3-21.4; R. Bryce York, New Sharon, Maine, 3-4-24.6; Floyd Jenne, Reading Vt., 3-4-19.7; Michael Brown, Middlebury, Vt., 1-6-24.0.

MEN'S CLASS J — Roger Bolduc, Auburn, Maine, 7-1-20.7; Percy Howe, Orange, Mass., 6-2-26.0; Buster Johnson, So. Hamilton, Mass., 4-3-23.1; Harry Griffin, Keene, N.H., 3-4-17.1; Richard Olsen, Quincy, Mass., 3-4-16.2; Armando Deluca, Chelsea, Mass., 3-4-13.4; Richard Bedell, Sr., 2-5-16.0; Charles McNeill, Upton, Mass., 1-6-14.0.

STEINFELDT WINS SARASOTA, FLORIDA FALL OPEN

Carl Steinfeldt continued his winning ways by capturing the Sarasota Fall Open held Oct. 25 at Bee Ridge Park in Sarasota, Florida. Strong winds held ringer percentages down and Carl suffered his first loss in over a year in Florida to Joe Holland. Levi Miller took second place by nosing out fellow Sarasotan Paul Scheub by one percentage point. Other winners were Howard Lea in Class B, Henry Mullet Class C, Frank Stites Class D, Joe West, Class E, and Lee Davis, Class F. A fine crowd was on hand to dedicate the 12 new courts recently constructed in Sarasota.

CLASS A — Carl Steinfeldt, 6-1-72.5; Levi Miller, 5-2-64.0; Paul Scheub, 5-2-63.1; Jack Fahey, 4-3-60.8; Joe Holland, 3-4-56.5; Mickey Broughton, 3-4-51.4; Dick Ferguson, 1-6-54.8; Bob Widdersheim, 1-6-44.3.

CLASS B — Howard Lea, 5-0-43.2; Pete Peterson, 3-2-41.6; Rex Swinson, 3-2-37.6; Ken Reeb, 2-3-44.0; Rene Rodrigue, 2-3-41.6; Charles Ogline, 0-5-28.8.

CLASS C — Henry Mullet, 4-1-46.0; Wilbur Roche, 3-2-42.8; Charles Bennett, 3-2-37.6; Marion Collins, 2-3-39.6; Charles Warner, 2-3-38.8; Len LaBanco, 1-4-35.2.

CLASS D — Frank Stites, 3-2-43.2; Clarence Nause, 3-2-42.0; Bill Packard, 3-2-38.8; Cliff Madren, 2-3-40.8; George Buskey, 2-3-36.0; Bill Bauman, 2-3-31.2.

CLASS E — Joe West, 4-1-47.6; John Zehnder, 4-1-39.2; Mike Povich, 3-2-34.8; Dick Weigel, 2-3-36.8; John Hess, 2-3-35.2; Roger Sutor, 0-5-22.4.

CLASS F — Lee Davis, 5-0-31.2; Earle Johnson, 4-1-27.3; Ronnie Ronemus, 2-3-31.2; George Filson, 2-3-24.0; Norm Gaseau, 1-4-20.0; Bill Bensch, 1-4-18.8.

SOLOMON TAKES COMMAND OF UNIONTOWN, PA. INDOOR

Jim Solomon, Uniontown, PA., with 5 straight victories and an 80.2% averages, won the first sanctioned indoor tournament held in Uniontown on October 19, 1980. Jim's high game was 88.7 in a 52-16 win over Clyde Martz of Pittsburgh, as he made 55 ringers out of 62 shoes. Other action included a 4-way playoff in Class C which was won by Ed Martinko of Markleysburg, and a 2-way playoff for the Class B title won by Chuck Roball of Pittsburgh.

CLASS A — Solomon, Uniontown, PA, 5-0-80.2; Ruskin, Pittsburgh, PA, 3-2-63.8; Martz, Pittsburgh, PA, 2-3-67.4; Straight, Uniontown, PA, 2-3-61.9; Danner, Mewell, PA, 2-3-61.7; R. Rugg, Mill Run, PA, 1-4-58.1.

CLASS B — Roball, Pittsburgh, 4-1-53.5; Remington, Hiller, 4-1-53.1; Leach, Smithfield, 2-3-58.2; Meckevic, Pittsburgh, 2-3-53.4; Semans, Pittsburgh, 2-3-52.3; Giampa, Pitts., 1-4-45.2.

CLASS C — (via 4-way playoff for first) Martinko, Markleysburg, 3-2-47.4; Roebuck, Uniontown, 3-2-46.5; Pagnanelli, Pitts., 3-2-43.6; B. Rugg, Mill Run, 3-2-49.0; Fichter, Pitts., 2-3-47.6; Flowers, Lumberport, W.Va., 1-4-42.2.

CLASS D — G. Williams, Uniontown, 5-0-48.6; James, Pitts., 3-2-42.1; Clement, Pitts., 3-2-37.4; Lapping, Beaver Falls, 2-3-32.3; Molitoris, Fredericktown, 1-4-35.7; Donawitz, New Brighton, 1-4-31.1.

CLASS E — Jones, Belle Vernon, 5-0-45.5; Donawitz, New Brighton, 3-2-36.2; Koontz, Hopwood, 3-2-33.7; Jodon, Johnstown, 3-2-30.3; Burns, New Salem, 1-4-27.3; Denk, Johnstown, 0-5-29.1.

CLASS F — Orsini, Brownsville, 4-1-38.1; B. Williams, Uniontown, 3-2-37.7; Tunney, Pittsburgh, 3-2-35.1; Donawitz, New Brighton, 2-3-33.5; Robinson, Worthington, W.Va., 2-3-3.4; Farnen, Connoquenessing, PA, 1-4-36.0.

CLASS G — Smarslok, Uniontown, 5-1-36.4; J. Danner, Vanderbilt, 4-2-34.9; Weiss, Pittsburgh, 4-2-31.6; Gaydos, Uniontown, 4-2-26.2; Bittner, Mill Run, 3-3-33.5; F. Rugg, Mill Run, 1-5-15.8; Tressler, Mill Run, 0-6-9.1.

JANUARY PUBLICITY—"INDOOR COURTS"

By Bernard Herfurth, Pub. Dir.

TO ALL NHPA PUBLICITY HELPERS:

Please plan to get the following article on "Indoor Horseshoe Pitching Activities" published in your local area newspapers as soon as possible.

Below is the suggested article. You may add or delete to fit the situation in your area. Try to bring the article in person to your sports or local reporter or plan to phone in the article.

Perhaps your local radio or TV announcer might make a few remarks from the article as a novel announcement in his opinion.

Please send me a copy of the published article with the name of the newspaper and address also the name of the sports reporter or radio or TV announcer. Send it to Bernard Herfurth, 17 Fort St., Northampton, Mass. 01060.

"HORSESHOE PITCHING—THE YEAR AROUND SPORT"

The sport of horseshoe pitching has become a year around sport. Many indoor facilities have recently been built, with areas not enjoying the "sun-belt" year around pitching, the indoor courts now allow horseshoe pitching twelve months of the year. Many indoor facilities house from 1 court up to and including 18 courts.

The 1981 World Horseshoe Pitching Tournament will be held at an 18 court indoor facility in Genola, Minnesota, about 100 miles north of Minneapolis, Minnesota. Approximately 1000 to 2000 entries which will include men, women, boys and girls are expected to compete the last week of July and the first week of August.

The indoor facilities offer handicap leagues which allows players in all categories to pitch together. Many indoor facilities offer monthly championship matches for all classes during the indoor season.

Many horseshoe pitchers prefer indoor pitching, as they do not have to contend with the weather elements of rain, wind, sun or cold.

Anyone desiring information on erecting an indoor facility can write to the NHPA Publicity Director, Bernard Herfurth, 17 Fort Street, Northampton, Mass. 01060.

COVER PICTURE... Shown this month as efforts of two Clubs to PUBLICIZE horseshoes, are photos of two floats that were entered in parades on special event days in their communities. The top photo is that of the Shelbyville, Illinois float entered in the Jaycees parade in July in that city and the bottom photo is that of the Ainsworth, Nebraska Club float that was entered in the Brown County parade in Johnstown, Nebraska on Labor Day. Orchids to these two fine clubs for their efforts to bring our sport before the public.

VOLUNTEER PUBLICITY WORKER PROGRAM

Starting in January, 1981, I will accept Publicity releases from the Digest. I will offer to do what ever I can to help by using these releases. Any effort will be appreciated.

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STEINFELDT WINS CLEARWATER OPENER WITH 22 IN A ROW

The Clearwater Florida Club opened its winter season on Oct. 18 with its Charlie Pitton Open tourney. Scoring was limited to ringers only in a 50 shoe game. Each player was awarded 1 point for each ringer with a 5-point bonus going to the winner of each game. In winning the tournament title, Carl Steinfeldt pitched 81.6% for the day. In his high game against Sarasota's Dick Ferguson, Carl pitched 22 consecutive double ringers for 94% while Dick was pitching his high game of 66% for the day. Following results show ringer % and total points accumulated by each player; each pitching 250 shoes.

CLASS A — Carl Steinfeldt, Clw., 81.6 - 229; Levi Miller, Sarasota, 64.0 - 175; Ken Drury, Largo, 59.6 - 164; Dick Ferguson, Sarasota, 56.4 - 151; Joe Holland, Dunedin, 52.0 - 140; Al Baldwin, St. Cloud, 43.6 - 109.

CLASS B — Rene Rodrigue, Ft. Lauderdale, 50.0 - 150; D. Thatcher, Brooksville, 51.2 - 148; R. Widdersheim, Clw., 48.4 - 131; Wm. Keegan, Live Oak, 47.6 - 129; Rex Swinson, Sarasota, 47.2 - 128; Jim Peterson, Orlando, 43.6 - 109.

CLASS C — Howard Lea, Bradenton, 51.2 - 148; Ken Reeb, Winter Haven, 49.6 - 139; Earle Morris, Lakeland, 48.4 - 131; Chas. Warner, Winter Springs, 44.0 - 125; Len LaBanco, Venice, 42.8 - 122; Ray Arthur, St. Pete, 40.0 - 100.

CLASS D — Henry Mullet, Sarasota, 47.6 - 134; M. Collins, Dunedin, 46.8 - 132; Don Knotts, Port Orange, 38.8 - 107; Cliff Madren, Orlando, 38.8 - 107; Geo. Buskey, Clw., 34.4 - 101; Red Benton, Plant City, 29.6 - 84.

CLASS E — Chas. Bennett, Clw., 50.8 - 153; Paul Swartz, Largo, 48.0 - 140; R. Senger, Winter Haven, 38.8 - 107; Joe Mancini, Penna., 36.8 - 102; Art Graves, Clw., 37.6 - 94; M. Gillespie, Sarasota, 34.0 - 95.

CLASS F — Frank Stites, Bradenton, 43.2 - 128; Wm. Bauman, Ft. Myers, 40.0 - 120; Rick Weigel, Largo, 36.4 - 106; John Zehnder, Ruskin, 31.2 - 88; Louis Haley, St. Pete, 32.8 - 87; Orval Tansy, Clw., 22.4 - 61.

CLASS G — Mike Povich, Seminole, 38.8 - 117; John Hess, Bradenton, 33.6 - 104; Ron Deckard, Tampa, 31.6 - 99; R. Ronemus, Bradenton, 30.0 - 84; R. Sutor, Tampa, 22.4 - 61; Earle Johnson, Bradenton, 18.8 - 47.

CLASS H — Lee Davis, Seminole, 26.8 - 92; N. Gaseau, Clw., 28.4 - 91; Alex Gritske, Beverly Hills, 26.0 - 75; John Koenig, Orlando, 27.6 - 74; Percy Wells, Clw., 25.2 - 73; W. Bensch, Clw., 20.4 - 56.

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PUBLICITY . . . Do what others have done**JOIN THE PARADE**

"Pitch Horseshoes for Health" was the inscription on the float that took second prize in the Jaycee parade held in Shelbyville, Illinois this last summer, during July. In Shelbyville they put in practice the above motto the year around, and to bring horseshoe pitching before the public eye.

They have a women's league that was started by the Shelbyville Club in June, 1980 together with the Shelbyville Recreation Association. Jesse White was appointed instructor for the ladies by the president of the club, Pete Rankin. (See cover picture)

STILL ANOTHER JOINS THE PARADE

Brown County in Nebraska always stages a Labor Day parade at Johnstown, Nebraska. They have floats of all kinds and shapes. Getting into the swing of things the Ainsworth Horseshoe Club of Ainsworth, Nebraska decided to enter a float to promote horseshoe playing and to advertise the Nebraska State Tournament to be held in Ainsworth in 1981. Opal Sisson, leader of the Happy Helpers 4-H Club, who are also members of the Ainsworth Club, designed and displayed the float in the parade. This uniquely designed float received second place in its category of 10 floats. This is just one more way of drawing attention to our great sport of horseshoe pitching. (See cover picture).

HELEN BLUTT WINS MONTANA STATE LADIES TITLE

By D. Buxbaum

Helen Blutt of Ekalaka, Montana swept through Class A in the 1980 Montana State Ladies Tournament with 4 straight wins and posting a 67.9 ringer percentage. Josie Dahlberg was runner-up. Tournament was played at Sidney, Montana on August 17th.

"LOVE COMES TO HORSESHOES"

On September 20, 1980, two of the Ainsworth, Nebraska Club players were united in marriage. Chuck Grooms and Aneita Cole were married at her parents home in Long Pine, Nebraska. The very next day the newlyweds attached and placed in the Ainsworth Open Tournament, September 21.

**SIMON EDGES POTTS FOR PREIMESBERGER THANKSGIVING
OPEN CROWN; PHYLLIS NEGAARD UNDEFEATED IN LADIES
KIRK BARTNIK SWEEPS THROUGH TO BOYS TITLE**

The ringers and points have all been marked for the 1980 year. With this last tournament, Ralph Simon, Phyllis Negaard, and Kurt Bartnik have all successfully become the new reigning champions for Class A in their divisions. Also a big congratulations to all other class winners!!!!

We want to thank the office help, scorekeepers, judges, kitchen & bar workers, and all others for making this a successful tourney!

We and our family are extending our best wishes to you and yours for a very happy new year!! See you all in 1981!!

CLASS A — Ralph Simon, Waterloo, IA, 9-2-83.2; Merlin Potts, Leonardville, KA, 9-2-70.7; Charles Killgore, Plattsburg, MO, 8-3-75.6; Ron Frakes, Springfield, MO, 8-3-71.6; Larye Ambrose, Jackson, MN, 6-5-68.9; Dave Hughes, Bloomington, MN, 6-5-68.9; Jerry Black, Fargo, ND, 4-7-68.7; Jim Aleckson, Princeton, MN, 4-7-66.3; Robert Booe, Atchison, KA, 4-7-65.8; Paul LaCrosse, Lakewood, CO, 3-8-62.7; Lloyd Henrikson, Coon Rapids, MN, 3-8-60.0; Elwood Johnson, Elmore, MN, 2-9-61.0.

CLASS B — Dave Evenson, Donnelly, MN, 6-1-56.5; Everett Peterson, Windom, MN, 5-2-58.2; Ray Tiili, Duluth,

PREIMESBERGER THANKSGIVING OPEN — (Continued)

MN, 5-2-56.2; Len Lipovsky, Bloomington, MN, 5-2-56.0; Don Larson, Evansville, MN, 4-3-50.5; Al Harren, Lakota, ND, 2-5-46.5; Clifford Swayze, Wilmont, SD, 1-6-41.7; Harry W. Benson, Hibbing, MN, 0-7-40.5.

CLASS C — Myron VanderWeyst, Rice, MN, 6-1-60.2; Oscar Wilson, Marathon, IA, 6-1-58.8; Lloyd Olfert, Richfield, MN, 5-2-56.0; Isaac Davis, St. James, MN, 3-4-52.0; Sig Armitage, Canby, MN, 3-4-50.2; Bill Sullivan, Mpls., MN, 2-5-46.5; Joe Helbling, Waukegan, IL, 2-5-38.0; Roger Isenberg, Elmore, MN, 1-6-36.2.

CLASS D — Dave Klein, St. Cloud, MN, 5-2-45.4; Waldo Tesch, Cokato, MN, 5-2-42.2; V.K. Gedatus, Stillwater, MN, 4-3-47.4; Norm Kroening, Morris, MN, 4-3-46.8; Walter Busse, Appleton, MN, 4-3-40.8; Ken Lindberg, Rosea, MN, 3-4-43.4; Gene Erickson, Good Thunder, MN, 2-5-42.0; Don Teigs, Ortonville, MN, 1-6-40.2.

CLASS E — Ralph Marcks, Brooklyn Park, MN, 5-2-46.0; Jerry Tuel, St. Paul, MN, 5-2-45.1; Roland Jensen, Brookings, S.D., 5-2-42.8; Jim Holland, Anoka, MN, 4-3-44.5; Bob Magnuson, Lake Lillian, MN, 3-4-44.5; Gene Hughes, Blomington, MN, 3-4-36.0; Wilfred Blenkush, St. Joseph, MN, 2-5-36.5; Stan Eaton, Owatonna, MN, 1-6-30.8.

CLASS F — Arnold Hanson, Nora Springs, IA, 7-0-49.6; J.D. Ondarko Jr., Rogers, MN, 6-1-47.0; Richard Johnson, Delano, MN, 5-2-41.3; Clarence Ryba, Minot, ND, 4-3-42.6; Terry Berg, North Redwood Falls, 3-4-37.3; Mike Radiske, Maple Plain, MN, 2-5-29.0; Wilber Loberg, Luck, WI, 1-6-35.3; Wayne Stanley, Elmer, MN, Forfeit.

CLASS G — Fred Larson, Lino Lakes, MN, 6-1-56.8; Alan Berg, North Redwood, MN, 5-2-43.1; Alton Lonning, Eau Claire, WI, 5-2-39.4; George Nick, Mendota Heights, MN, 4-3-44.5; Murry Armstrong, Manitoba, CA, 3-4-38.5; Ken Greenlee, Fridley, MN, 2-5-38.2; Al Hiller, Maple Grove, MN, 2-5-35.4; Ernest Ryba, Middle River, MN, 1-6-37.4.

CLASS H — Don Burgess, Ottumua, IA, 6-1-53.4; Walter Aspelund, Rosholt, SD, 6-1-40.8; Robert Stewart, Cokato, MN, 3-4-46.0; Julius Kubes, Shakopee, MN, 3-4-38.5; Olaf Aspelund, Wilmot, SD, 3-4-38.0; Bert Berrelson, Marvin, SD, 2-5-39.4; Ervin Tischer, Good Thunder, MN, 2-5-38.5; Henry Stromgren, Cedar, MN, 2-5-34.2.

CLASS I — Jerry Waldvogel, Little Falls, MN, 6-1-34.5; Robert Brezinka, Swanville, MN, 5-2-36.2; Les Moser, Aitkin, MN, 5-2-36.2; Warren Lunz, St. James, MN, 5-2-34.5; I.R. Moldenhauer, Elk River, MN, 3-4-28.8; Ben Middendorf, St. Cloud, MN, 2-5-34.0; Clarence Lundeen, Cokato, MN, 2-5-27.7; Roger Haugland, Roseville, MN, 0-7-21.1.

CLASS J — Leo Brezinka, Royalton, MN, 6-1-37.4; Bob Lindberg, Fridley, MN, 6-1-34.0; Dennis Carlson, St. Cloud, MN, 4-3-32.9; Ken Paulson, Pierz, MN, 4-3-32.0; Jim Newland, Fridley, MN, 3-4-28.3; Delbert Karjens, Clarks Grove, MN, 3-4-25.4; Floyd Knutson, Brooklyn Center, 1-6-23.4; Jim Krojstad, Mpls., MN, 1-6-22.5.

CLASS K — Delbert Herzberg, Good Thunder, MN, 7-0-32.0; Mike Buck, Ottumua, IA, 5-2-30.0; Leroy Diehl, Donnelly, MN, 4-3-28.5; Harlof Jensen, Brookings, SD, 4-3-20.0; Jerry Marshik, Pierz, MN, 3-4-24.8; David Schmidt-bauer, Pierz, MN, 3-4-24.0; Dale Branchard, Little Falls, MN, 1-6-22.8; Clarence Stites, Roseau, MN, 1-6-21.1.

CLASS L — Vitus Preimesberger, St. Paul, MN, 6-1-31.7; Les Holland, Dayton, MN, 5-2-28.2; Jack Leadsen, Maple Grove, MN, 4-3-23.7; Marvin Feller, Alexandria, MN, 4-3-17.1; Tim Radiske, Delano, MN, 3-4-25.7; Tom Jones, Fridley, MN, 3-4-20.5; Joe Brezinka, Mpls., MN, 2-5-24.5; Mark Hellen, Pine River, MN, 1-6-18.5.

CLASS M — Jerry LaVoie, Coon Rapids, MN, 6-1-34.8; Eugene Sam, Mpls., MN, 6-1-28.5; Jim Olund, Mpls., MN, 4-3-31.1; Merlin Bentz, Waconia, MN, 4-3-28.2; Delvin Dullinger, St. Joseph, MN, 4-3-25.4; Carl Wahlstrom, St. Cloud, MN, 1-6-16.0; Louis Brezinka, Mpls., MN, 1-6-15.4.

CLASS N — Gerry Osborne, Mpls., MN, 8-2-24.5; Terry Tiegs, Anoka, MN, 8-2-23.5; Jerry Koetter, Pierz, MN, 7-3-19.0; Roger Bartnik, Mountain, WI, 4-6-16.2; Ron Schmolke, Garrison, MN, 3-7-12.7.

CLASS O — Daniel Girtz, Pierz, MN, 9-1-15.5; Bob Wright, Little Falls, MN, 7-3-11.2; Mike Binczik, St. Cloud, MN, 7-3-10.7; Paul Kiefat, Grand Forks, ND, 4-6-9.7; Tim Wright, Little Falls, MN, 3-7-5.5.

LADIES CLASS C — Shirley Preimesberger, St. Paul, MN, 7-0-29.7; Catherine Notch, St. Cloud, MN, 5-2-34.2; Dorothy Eaton, Owatonna, MN, 4-3-32.0; Arlene Waldvogel, Little Falls, MN, 4-3-25.1; Marieta Killgore, Plattsberg, MO, 4-3-25.1; Thallis Jensen, Brookings, SD, 3-4-20.5; Rosy Tischer, Good Thunder, MN, 1-6-21.1; Mary Ann Radiske, Delano, MN, 0-7-11.4.

LADIES CLASS D — Alice Paulsen, Pierz, MN, 8-2-14.7; Donna Kiefat, Grand Forks, ND, 7-3-15.5; Lucy Olson, Mpls., MN, 7-3-13.5; Jan Girtz, Pierz, MN, 5-5-4.2; Ann Plante, Pierz, MN, 3-7-8.5.

BOYS CLASS A — Kirk Bartnik, Mountain, WI, 7-0-81.1; Chris White, Maplewood, Mn, 6-1-74.5; Curt Boser, Maplewood, MN, 5-2-53.1; Joe Lunz, St. James, MN, 4-3-54.8; Dan Preimesberger, Pierz, MN, 3-4-54.5; Duane Meyer, Pierz, MN, 2-5-38.0; Tom Holland, Dayton, MN, 1-6-32.5; Steve Preimesberger, St. Paul, MN, 0-7-32.8.

BOYS CLASS B — Robert Buhl, St. Paul, MN, 6-1-31.0; Mike Armitage, Canby, MN, 6-1-26.6; Russell Girtz, Pierz, MN, 5-2-28.0; Mike Buhl, St. Paul, MN, 4-3-22.6; Peter Buhl, St. Paul, MN, 4-3-22.3; Bob Wuellner, Pierz, MN, 2-5-23.3; Marty Schiundt, St. Paul, MN, 1-6-8.6.

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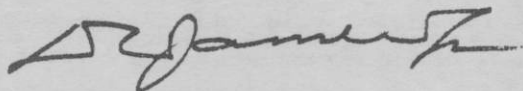
Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in Code section 513.

You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. If an employer identification number was not entered on your application, a number will be assigned to you and you will be advised of it. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your exempt status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

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THE MINUTES OF THE 1980 NHPA CONVENTION

By Donnie Roberts

The meeting was called to order by president, Wally Shipley at 7:30 AM, Monday, July 28, 1980.

Paul Gibson gave the prayer.

The N.H.P.A. officers were introduced by Wally Shipley.

President, Wally Shipley thanked Huntsville for hosting the 1980 Horseshoe Tournament. 1981 World Tournament Committee, Layre Ambrose and George Nick gave a report.

President, Wally Shipley read a letter from Ed O'Donnell expressing his apology for not being able to attend the convention.

Huntsville, Alabama was awarded the bid to host the 1982 World Horseshoe Tournament. Bid amount was \$15,000.00.

Donnie Roberts presented the minutes of the 1979 convention. Minutes were approved as presented.

Treasurer's report was presented by Donnie Roberts. Report was approved as presented.

Each of the NHPA officers gave a report.

Wally Shipley reported that ESPN/TV would not be present for the tournament.

Bernard Herfurth announced that Ray Martin, Bernard Herfurth, Ben Leighton, and Ralph Maddox were inducted in the Hall of Fame.

Several constitution and by laws changes were made which were published in a previous issue of the digest.

Gary Kline gave the NHPA Statistician and Historian Report.

Pete Shepherd gave the Horseshoe Manufacturers Report.

Don Koso reported on the NHPA game related sales.

Bonnie Seibold gave the women's NHPA report. The ladies want a 30ft. line, a ladies NHPA shirt, and to pitch in men's tournaments at 30ft. when there is not enough ladies for a class.

Sheila Roberts gave the girls NHPA report. The Junior girls want scholarships listed on World Tournament Prize List.

Wally Shipley thanked Gary Kline and Ottie Reno for writing books.

Wally Shipley talked about the fact that time is coming when our game related and digest people will need replaced.

Wally Shipley presented the president's memorandum.

Delegates voted to award money to Special Tournaments during 1981.

The delegates voted to remove 200 shoe qualifying from the constitution and by laws. The voting count was 124 to 28.

Motion passed to form a committee to find out what successful clubs do that makes them successful so others can learn from them.

Mary Mays received an NHPA Award.

Don Fales received an NHPA Award.

Carl Steinfeldt put on a clinic.

Ohio received the award for #1 membership.

Donnie Roberts was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

John Rademacher was re-elected vice-president.

Bonnie Seibold was re-elected vice-president.

This is a very brief outline of the convention and a complete tape is available upon request.

ED DOMEY VICTOR IN CONN. MACDONNELL MEMORIAL

Ed Domey the genial proprietor of the Heritage Recreation at Sutton, Mass. was the play-off winner over Bob Domey for the championship of the MacDonnell Memorial Open Tournament held Sept. 7th at Norwich, Conn.

CLASS A — Ed Domey, 8-1-70.3; Bob Domey, 8-1-72.5; N. Rioux, 7-2-67.9; J. Festa, 6-3-65.0; J. Moore, 5-4-60.6; W. Paradis, 3-6-57.1; P. Bochese, 3-6-51.9; D. Majewski, 2-7-54.2; Den. Hansen, 1-8-46.9; J. Bochese 0-9-48.4.

CLASS B — T. Monigan, 4-1-49.2; D. Remley, 4-1-48.5; V. Williams, 3-2-43.8; F. Wagner, 3-2-42.5; G. Moore, 1-4-41.5; G. Paris, 0-5-36.1.

CLASS C — J. Benton, 4-1-27.6; R. Laudette, 3-2-32.6; D. Perkins, 3-2-32.2; R. Tortorigi, 3-2-30.0; F. Conrod, 2-3-24.] D. Rhodes, 0-5-16.0.

MARK DYSON, BOYS' WORLD CHAMPION TO APPEAR ON TV'S "KIDSWORLD" AND ON P.M. MAGAZINE TV PROGRAM SOON

By Jack Springer

Mark Dyson the 1979 and 1980 World Horseshoe Junior Boys Champion will appear on the "KidsWorld," an award winning weekly television news program for children, and on a P.M. Magazine T.V. Program sometime soon.

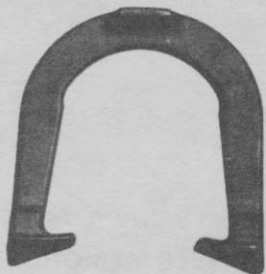
On Sunday morning October 26, the camera crews of both these T.V. programs filmed Mark and his grandfather and grandmother, Mr. & Mrs. Flake Dyson at their home at Route 5, Taylorsville, NC, then on the same day at 2 p.m. both camera crews moved to the Lakewood Park Courts in Statesville where they filmed Mark and 12 other NC junior boy pitchers of the NC-N.H.P.A. in action at a Tournament organized by the Statesville Recreation Department, with Jack Springer Recreation Director and NC-N.H.P.A. Secy-Treas. and flake Dyson in charge.

The KidsWorld T.V. Program is hosted by three Pre-Teen Kids—Gretchen Graham, Kent Hipp and Hanet Wu. Each half hour program features 6 to 8 news stories all are reported by kids.

KidsWorld was first telecase in September 1976 in over 50 cities. It is now seen nationwide. The program was developed and is produced by Betsy and Bob Behrens of Miami, Florida. KidsWorld receives approximately 2,000 letters a month with story ideas from kids. They choose the best ideas to be filmed on KidsWorld.

Jack Springer remarked—Thanks to Mrs. Herbert Pinch of Sharon, PA for helping to arrange for this filming.

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JOHN MONASMITH IN 16TH WIN OF PACIFIC NORTHWEST KELLY O'BRIEN UNDEFEATED IN LADIES; PETER CLARK WINS JUNIOR BOYS; BONNIE CLARK, JUNIOR GIRLS

For the 16th time in his pitching career, John Monasmith of Yakima, Washington captured the annual Pacific Northwest championship held at the Elks Memorial park courts in Yakima, Washington on Sept. 13-14. Kelly O'Brien was tremendous in the Ladies division winning all her games and also raising her tournament average from 71.9 to 73.2 percent. Peter Clark was the winner in the Junior Boys class with 6 straight wins and 62.0 percent. Cletus Chapelle from Portlane, Oregon was on hand in the championship bracket for his 35th straight time in this annual ringerrama.

CLASS A — John Monasmith, Yakima, 10-1-75.6; Herb Criss, Bremerton, 9-2-70.7; Ben Wiedrich, Oregon C., O. 9-2-74.9; Henry Knauft, Spokane, 7-4-74.6; Lowell Davis, Creswell, O. 7-4-71.2; Joe Krug, Yakima, 7-4-67.6; Cletus Chapelle, Portland O., 5-6-65.8; Barry Chapelle, Portland, O. 4-7-66.2; Art Sperber, Bremerton, 3-8-58.3; Jim Alexander, Ridgefield, 3-8-57.7; Bernie Martell, Portland, O. 2-9-57.9; Wally Rehard, Spokane, 0-11-56.9

CLASS B — Thor Gadwa, Montesano, 7-2-61.0; George Sala, Spokane, 6-3-61.8; Dayton Martindale, Royal C., 6-3-55.0; Kelly Laraway, Bremerton, 6-3-54.6; Vern Miller, Selah, 5-4-60.5; Brad Pederson, Seattle, 5-4-60.2; Dean Curry, Lewiston, Idaho, 5-4-57.0; Bob Clark, Port Orchard, 2-7-55.4; Harry Lang, Springfield, O., 2-7-51.4; Loy Withrow, Ellensburg, 1-8-49.6.

CLASS C — Gerry Staley, Vancouver, 6-1-56.3; Jack Salter, Kelso, 5-2-55.5; Lloyd Reyklin, Westmin, BC., 5-2-55.5; Lloyd Reyklin, Westmin, BC., 5-2-49.7; Ken Heine, Kent, 4-3-50.3; Elwood Heine, Kent, 3-4-50.6; Chuck O'Brien, Spokane, 3-4-48.8; Les Andrews, Battleground, 2-5-44.9; Chuck Ball, Portland, O., 0-7-42.3.

CLASS D — Bob Sletten, Vancouver, 7-0-50.2; Ken Carvo, Yakima, 6-1-43.6; Dan Leary, Steilacoom, 5-2-41.5; Jim Kosterman, Vancouver, 4-3-40.1; Don McDugle, Anacortes, 3-4-49.0; Irv Farron, Portland, O., 2-5-32.8; Jerry Stanley, Sumner, 1-6-35.4; Jack Bush, Marysville, 0-7-33.4.

CLASS E — Bart Barber, Anacortes, 6-2-53.8; Rick Rebman, Hermiston, O., 6-3-43.8; Dale McKay, Auburn, 5-3-47.3; Herb Godfrey, Aberdeen, 4-3-46.8; Esthel Benner, Salem, O., 4-3-42.1; Skip Schilperoort, Sunny, 3-4-36.9; Bill Schriener, Silverton, O. 2-5-39.1; Lyle Meuret, Everett, 0-7-33.1.

CLASS F — Jim Jones, LaGrande, O., 7-2-43.9; John Henson, Anacortes, 6-3-44.5; R.E. Click, Warrenton, O., 6-3-44.7; Ed Welsch, Spokane, 5-4-42.3; Micky Odell, Davenport, 3-4-37.6; Dave Kennedy, Ridgefield, 2-5-41.2; George Harteloo, Stayton, O., 2-5-39.1; Alton Nelson, Ellensburg, 1-6-40.5.

CLASS G — Bill Coppennoll, Seattle, 6-1-42.5; Ron Ferguson, Vancouver, 5-2-41.2; Don Ferguson, Vancouver, 3-4-33.2; Don Tysver, Bremerton, 3-4-37.2; Vern Wanless, McMinnville, O., 3-4-36.2; Charlie Tapper, Kent, 3-4-36.0; Elmer Otnes, Oregon City, O., 3-4-34.8; Raleigh Smith, Selah, 2-5-26.1.

CLASS H — Dan Jaud, Kelowna, B.C., 6-1-37.6; John Hilberg, Clinton, 5-2-39.5; Walt Weik, Spanaway, 5-2-34.1; Wayne Jones, LaGrande, O., 4-3-33.3; Tom Tyrell, Tieton, 3-4-35.5; Jack Stryker, Portland, O., 3-4-35.2; Cyril Kitchen, Tacoma, 2-5-37.3; Burl Matteson, Bremerton, 0-7-22.4.

CLASS I — Lewis Routh, Pendleton, O., 6-1-43.6; Gene Buzzini, Vancouver, 5-2-33.8; Nell Udell, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, 5-2-36.3; Elmer Currie, Cda, Idaho, 4-3-32.0; Ray Stubner, Yakima, 3-4-28.1; Ellis West, Seattle, 2-5-26.9; Tom W. Worthington, Spok., 2-5-26.4; George Schuster, Hermist, O., 1-6-29.4.

CLASS J — Charlie King, Anacortes, 6-1-33.0; John Kronholm, Everett, 5-2-31.1; Arthur Lund, Eugene, O., 4-3-27.8; Bill Spaulding, Yakima, 4-3-32.5; Gil Kroetsching, Ellensburg, 3-4-27.4; Paul Call, Yakima, 2-5-27.0; Ed Taylor, LaGrande, O., 2-5-26.8; Lyle Andrews, Vancouver, 2-5-25.2.

CLASS K — Wayne Ferris, Salem, O., 7-1-26.7; Nels Bonnett, Yakima, 6-2-29.8; Jerry Thorp, Vancouver, 5-2-20.7; Leonard Bartel, Oregon, C., O., 5-2-24.8; Wendell Kennedy, Ridgefield, 3-4-13.8; Joe Kurth, Ridgefield, 2-5-16.7; Randy Kennedy, Ridgefield, 1-6-09.8; Dan Ochs, Spokane, 0-7-11.9.

LADIES CLASS A — Kelly O'Brien, Spokane, 7-0-73.2; Sandy Bartel, Oregon City, O., 5-2-64.7; Ruth Welsch, Spokane, 4-3-56.6; Shirley O'Brien, Spokane, 4-3-58.2; Hannah Foley, Spokane, 3-4-51.7; Mararet Byfield, Mr. Vernon, 2-5-45.1; Alice Rehard, Spokane, W., 2-5-44.7; Ethel Davis, Creswell, O., 1-6-41.8.

LADIES CLASS B — Bonnie Schuster, Hermiston, O., 6-0-46.9; Sigrid Jones, LaGrande, O., 5-1-41.4; Sue Ramey, Mt. Vernon, 4-2-33.9; Irene Wiedrich, Oregon, C.O., 3-3-32.9; Betty Reyklin, Westminis B.C., 1-5-11.9; Edith Kennedy, Ridgefield, 0-6-03.9.

JUNIOR GIRLS — Bonnie Clark, Port Orchard, 2-4-16.1.

JUNIOR BOYS — Peter Clark, Port Orchard, 6-0-62.0; Mike Poole, Cda., Idaho, 5-1-58.0; Tom Call, Grandview, 3-3-35.0; Robbie Tyrell, Tieton, 3-3-20.7; Larry Call, Yakima, 3-3-17.0; Craig Schuster, Hermiston, O., 1-5-10.5; Dave Call, yakima, 0-6-04.0.

MONONGAHELA LEAGUE (VIRGINIA) 1980 RESULTS

The MVHPA of Fairmont, West Virginia sponsored 52 players, which included, Junior girls and boys, women and men from the month of May through September.

Bill "Jobe" Wade with a record of 57-18, took first place honors within the "A Class". Ted Harbert, with a record of 63-15 won the "B Class". The "C Class", was won by Virginia Thompson with a record of 73-18. Kathy Maze, the West Virginia State Tournament runner-up won the "D Class" with a record of 52-39. Jason McDonald, a Junior boy, won the JUNIOR CLASS with an overall record of 67-14, and Marilyn Stalnaker, with a record of 12-3 won the "Women's Division".

Both Virginia Thompson and Kathy Maze competed against male players within their respective assigned classes.

Highlights of the Summer, was when Bill Wade pitched two different 30 point games, and had 90% plus ringer percentages, and Forest Robinson with his increase in ringer percentage of 7.6%. Virginia Thompson raised her ringer percentage by 9.5 percent points, but because the club was not sanctioned for a separate women's division, failed to receive the coveted pin, that would have been awarded to her from the National Horseshoe Pitchers' Association of America.

Finally, Charles M. Bunner, the League Director had a song "Shoes of Steel", released in an album "The Now Sounds of Today", by Columbine Records. The song pertains to a game of horseshoe during a tournament, and it is one of sixteen songs on the album.

SOUTHER CALIFORNIA CLASS "D" STATE CHAMPIONSHIP (CORRECT RESULTS)

Harry Morse, Beaumont,	7-0-48.0
Doyle Brawley, Riverside	6-1-38.9
Gerry Kloepfer, Yucaipa	3-4-34.6
Milt Gibbs, San Bernardino	3-4-31.7
Marion Hawley, Sonoma	3-4-29.4
Carl Newsome, Colusa	3-4-38.6
Robert Bliss, El Centro	2-5-30.0
Boyd Miller, San Clemente	1-6-30.6

VISITING GERMAN SOCCER TEAM VIEWS HORSESHOE PITCHING EXHIBITION BY MARK DYSON, BOYS CHAMPION

By Jack Springer

A visiting soccer team and friends from the German City of Tauberbischofshim, Germany were shown the Art of pitching horseshoes by Mark Dyson, The Worlds Junior Boy Champion and other members of the Statesville Recreation Departments Industrial Horseshoe League.

Jack Springer, Recreation Director and secy-treas. of the NC-N.H.P.A. presented visiting Franz Kloetz with a set of four horseshoes, a copy of the 1979 World Horseshoe Tournament program held in 1979 in Statesville, and a copy of the N.H.P.A. Official Horse Pitching rules with the hope that the visitors might start a horseshoe pitching program in Germany.

The visitors in turn presented Mark with a pin of the German city and gave Springer a new soccer ball with all the players signatures. The German Soccer team on their visit to Statesville and other cities in the United States, defeated the Statesville Soccer team 5 to 1 and the NC Champions from Charlotte 2 to 1. A large turn out was present for both Soccer matches and the horseshoe exhibition. The Michael Weining Co. of Germany who also has a factory in Statesville, headed by Franz Stein, helped in sponsoring the German Team.

J. SORG DROPS ONE BUT WINS NO. CALIF. VALLEJO A YVONNE MAUZEY RACKS UP 8TH TOURNAMENT WIN

Jack Sorg of the Golden Gate club was the giant killer as he swept thru the championship class losing only one game and compiling a 6-1-63.1 record. Yvonne Mauzey from the Sonoma County club added another tournament conquest to her long list of wins by winning all seven of her games and averaging 58.9 percent.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Jack Sorg, 6-1-63.1; Bob Mauzey, 5-2-56.3; Ed Floyd, 4-3-54.6; Pete Manitone, 4-3-52.3; Mate McBride, 3-4-51.7; Marty Dunn, 2-5-53.4; Bob Hanlon, 2-5-52.9; Harley Swander, 2-5-52.6.

GROUP TWO — Al Michelcio, 7-2-47.3; Holland Payne, 6-3-52.0; Don Forbes, 5-3-53.5; Oscar Statham, 5-3-49.5; Ken Woolery, 4-3-48.3; Vern Gosney, 3-4-49.7; Glenn Kelly, 1-6-33.4; Bob Malley, 0-7-27.7.

GROUP THREE — Chuck Farrell, 7-0-49.7; George Greeott, 5-2-41.4; Chuck Rodrigues, 3-4-43.7; Jack Parnell, 3-4-43.4; Joe Zoglman, 3-4-42.3; Harry Martinelli, 3-4-39.4; Frank Cravalho, 3-4-38.6; Joe Roberts, 1-6-37.1.

GROUP FOUR — Lou Gayet, 6-1-35.1; Jim Smith, Sr., 5-2-39.7; Mel Long, Sr., 5-2-36.6; Bill Brin, 4-3-32.9; Pete Qunitana, 4-3-30.9; Jim Long, 2-5-25.4; Marion Hawley, 1-6-28.3; Obie Winn, 1-6-24.0.

GROUP FIVE — Arnie Peters, 7-0-33.7; Art Rector, 5-2-32.0; Bob Miller, 5-2-26.0; Don Koehler, 4-3-30.9; Cruz Sagasta, 3-4-29.4; Lee Thornhill, 2-5-28.8; Bob Schnur, 2-5-20.3; Milo Collier, 0-7-12.3.

GROUP SIX — Wally Wahwoetten, 5-0-32.4; Gordon Hammerud, 4-1-18.0; Jim Tucker, 3-2-18.8; Ceres Perry, 2-3-18.4; Ernie Kim, 1-4-10.8; Sonny Hatsme, 0-5-6.4.

WOMEN, Yvonne Mauzey, 7-0-58.9; Vera Floyd, 6-1-56.0; Betty Forbes, 5-2-42.0; Carol VanDeVeere, 4-3-41.4; Edith Zoglman, 2-5-31.7; Lucie Hanlon, 2-5-25.7; Marthe Dunn, 2-5-24.0.

LATINO TOP MAN AT TURLOCK OPEN (NO. CALIF.)

Sacramento's Monte Latino, the Men's Intermediate World Champion, survived a 38-26 see-saw playoff with Tri-Valleys Ed Floyd to wrap up the Turlock Open. Meanwhile, Dave Loucks ran into two hot pitching opponents, Floyd and Bill Lewis and had to settle for 3rd. Stockton's Marshall Johnson outpointed Don Forbes of the home club 29-27 and went on to finish with a 5-0 record and take Group Two honors. Bill Victorino of Hollister also went 5-0 to grab the Group Three title.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Monte Latino, 7-1-64.0; Ed Floyd, 6-2-59.5; Dave Loucks, 4-3-62.9; Bill Lewis, 4-3-57.4; Al Crabtree, 4-3-55.1; Juke Basham, 2-5-52.3; Al Giuriato, 1-6-54.1; Holland Payne, 1-6-49.1.

GROUP TWO — Marshall Johnson, 5-0-51.6; Don Forbes, 4-1-49.2; Bob Kays, 2-3-45.6; Chuck Reynolds, 2-3-42.8; Wayne McGhee, 2-3-39.6; Rod Hughes, 0-5-37.6.

GROUP THREE — Bill Victorino, 5-0-41.2; Marion Hawley, 4-1-30.0; Ray Mittlesteadt, 3-2-32.4; Phil Tognette, 2-3-21.2; Elton Forbes, 1-4-18.8; Pauy Van DeVeere, 0-5-14.8.

RAY BRUMFIELD WINS TACOMA, WASH. TURKEY SHOOT

CLASS A — Ray Brumfield, Lynnwood, 6-1-58.8; Ken Elvig, Bellingham, 5-2-61.8; Frank Woods, Tacoma, 5-2-53.0; Gerry Staley, Vancouver, 4-3-52.9; Jack Salter, Kelso, 3-4-49.0; Orlean Clinton, Seattle, 2-5-47.8; Oliver Hartzell, Bothell, 2-5-39.0; Bob Sletten, Vancouver, 1-6-44.1.

CLASS B — Bob Hughes, Burley, 4-1-46.4; Don McDugle, Anacortes, 3-2-40.9; Les Spilseth, Olympia, 3-2-40.4; Don Jones, Olympia, 3-2-39.2; Don Ferguson, Vancouver, 2-3-37.5; John Henson, Anacortes, 0-5-38.3; Art Hart, Tacoma, Forfeit; Wilson Franks, Tacoma, Forfeit.

CLASS C — John Hilberg, Clinton, 3-2-37.2; Cyril Kitchen, Tacoma, 3-2-34.1; Ron Ferguson, Vancouver, 3-2-32.4; Frank Errigo, Tacoma, 2-3-35.9; Earl Kuper, Puyallup, 2-3-32.1; Milt Johnson, Auburn, 2-3-24.6; Bob Sherrick, Tacoma, Forfeit; Ken Kuper, Spanaway, Forfeit.

CLASS D — Wes Hathaway, Tacoma, 7-0-37.1; Rodger Vaugois, British C., 6-1-38.2; Gene Beach, Marysville, 4-3-35.4; Colin Butts, Victoria, B.C., 4-3-31.7; Gene Buzzini, Vancouver, 3-4-25.4; Jake Lamatta, Tacoma, 2-5-27.4; Charlie King, Anacortes, 2-5-21.7; Tom W. Worthington, Spokane, 0-7-22.0.

CLASS E — Nels Bonnett, Yakima, 5-1-23.6; Bob Hoerner, Tacoma, 4-2-21.6; Virgil Lange, Tacoma, 3-2-16.4; Ed Tveden, Olympia, 2-3-17.6; Lyle Andrews, Vancouver, 1-4-22.8; Nick Fabulae, Seattle, 1-4-16.8.

WEBB WINS ANNUAL PACIFIC COAST OPEN (NO. CALIF.) VERA FLOYD EASES TO LADIES TITLE

Improving in every tournament he plays in, Rio Dell's Tom Webb impressed all onlookers at San Jose's Ryland Park on a hot August day, as he averaged a cool 70%, winning 6 of 7 to take the Pacific Coast Open title. It was Tom's second winning performance of the 1980 season. He rose to the occasion as needed, especially in the 7th and final game against tough Harley Swander. Tom needed an exceptional game as Harley came on strong with a 72%. Tom responded with a scorching 78% block-buster and the Open title was his.

Vera Floyd was in complete control of the Ladies Division as, collecting 5 wins. Vivacious Carol Vann DeVeere was second losing only to Vera and averaged a fine 50% ringer total for the day.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Tom Webb, 6-1-70.0; Mate McBride, 5-2-62.3; Ed Floyd, 5-2-59.1; Marty Dunn, 4-3-54.9; Jack Sorg, 3-4-60.0; Harley Swander, 2-5-61.1; Bill Lewis, 2-5-54.6; Bob Hanlon, 1-6-52.6.

GROUP TWO — Vince Nauricio, 5-0-62.8; Verdan Zelmar, 4-1-49.6; Al Giuriate, 3-2-56.0; Don Forbes, 1-4-48.8; Vern Gosney, 1-4-48.4; Herm Schnieder, 1-4-36.0.

GROUP THREE — Ben Yost, 5-1-45.3; Don Burgess, 4-2-45.3; Rod Hughes, 3-2-42.0; Jim Smith, Sr., 3-2-34.8; Marion Hawley, 1-4-33.2; Dave Parnay, 0-4-28.0.

GROUP FOUR — Elton Cowles, 4-0-32.5; Ted Degenhart, 3-1-31.0; Jim Cosgrove, 1-3-23.5; Al Alviso, 1-3-22.5; Joe Novakovitch, 1-3-21.5.

WOMEN — Vera Floyd, 5-0-59.2; Carol Van DeVeere, 4-1-50.0; Marilyn Webb, 3-2-44.0; Lucie Hanlon, 2-3-35.6; Marthe Dunn, 1-4-26.4.

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NATIONAL PROMOTION COMMITTEE COMMENTS

By Sol Berman, Chr.

Harold Craig, 1965 HHPA 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 seeded 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 group 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 cut down 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.

STEINFELDT SHOWS THE WAY—WINS CLEARWATER, FLA. OPEN

With "near perfect" weather conditions, 53 players reported Nov. 22 at Ed. Wright Park for Clearwater's 2nd tournament of the season. Cancellation games were limited to 40 points or 50 shoes, whichever came first. The tournament title went to Carl Steinfeldt with 80.7% ringers for the day and a high game of 91.0% against Kentucky Jack Fahey. Details follow:

CLASS A — Carl Steinfeldt, Clearwater, 6-0-80.7; Jack Fahey, 5-1-70.7; Paul Scheub, Sarasota, 3-3-64.6; Marve Richmond, Minn. 3-3-64.1; Ken Drury, Ontario 2-4-62.2; Dick Ferguson, Sarasota, 61.2; Mickey Broughton, Tampa, 1-5-56.0.

CLASS B — Joe Holland, Dunedin, 7-0-65.8; Bob Widdersheim, Clearwater, 6-1-55.7; Dike Thatcher, Brooksville, 5-2-59.7; Marvin Glass, Kentucky, 3-4-49.1; Ralph Cullum, Inverness, 2-5-55.8; Gene Meyers, Clearwater, 2-5-51.7; Howard Lea, 2-5-44.5; Henry Mullet, Sarasota, 42.6.

CLASS C — Len LaBano, Venice, 5-2-43.4; Andy Doshna, Clearwater, 4-3-42.0; Wib Rocke, III., 4-3-41.2; Dick Senger, Winter Haven, 3-4-43.9; Paul Swartz, Clearwater, 3-4-43.5; Ken Reeb, Winter Haven, 3-4-43.2; Chas. Howery, Clearwater, 3-4-41.8; Chas. Bennett, Clearwater, 3-4-38.1.

CLASS D — Earl Colgan, III., 5-2-44.4; M. Collins, Dunedin, 5-2-38.4; Ray Arthur, St. Pete, 4-3-37.3; Louis Haley, St. Pete, 4-3-35.3; Frank Stites, Bradenton, 3-4-38.0; Dick Sample, Pensacola, 3-4-35.9; John Zehnder, Ruskin, 2-5-39.2; m. Gillespie, Sarasota, 2-5-37.4.

CLASS E — Chuck Sample, Pensacola, 5-1-36.8; Chris Miller, Sarasota, 4-2-40.2; Phil Perkins, Clearwater, 4-2-39.6; Pat O'Toole, Ontario 4-3-37.9; Rick Weigel, Clearwater, 3-3-35.8; Mike Povich, Seminole, 1-5-30.0; Orval Coxon, Ontario, 0-6-30.4.

CLASS F — Gene Bennett, Clearwater, 6-0-43.2; Wm. Rowse, Brooksville, 4-2-37.0; Joe Morgan, Ind. 3-3-35.2; Ron Deckard, Tampa, 3-3-31.5; John Hess, Bradenton, 3-3-29.2; Lee Davis, Seminole, 1-5-30.4; Ron Ronemus, Bradenton, 1-5-20.4.

CLASS G — Ralph Rollins, Brooksville, 6-0-33.3; Percy Wells, 5-1-27.6; Earle Johnson, Bradenton, 4-2-23.8; Roger Sutor, 3-3-24.8; Norm Gaseau Clearwater, 1-5-26.6; Paul Barrette, Quebec, 1-5-15.6; Wm. Bensch, Clearwater, 1-5-13.1.

ORLANDO PITCHERS HAVE A "BALL" AT "FUN CITY" TOURNAMENT NOVEMBER 8

Taking first place trophies in three of the six classes competing in Orlando's second tournament of the season, November 8, the Sunshine Park club's pitchers really enjoyed themselves, especially in the lower classes.

Chuck Warner topped Class C. Clyde Falk Class E. Al Estes Class F. With their leader, Jim Peterson, out with a lame back, the Orlandoans had only one man able to take on the star performers in Class A and B, however, Harry Ellenberger.

Jack Fahey of Bradenton breezed through Class A with no losses. Al Baldwin of St. Cloud took Class B also with no losses but only after taking two squeakers (from Mullett and Thornburg each of whom carried him to 35-33 games). Clubmate, Pat Gallant took first in Class C to add to St. Cloud's laurels.

CLASS A — Fahey, Bradenton, 6-0-74.0; Miller, Sarasota, 5-1-57.3; Ellenberger, Orlando, 3-3-48.0; Thatcher, Brooksville, 2-4-53.3; Cullum, Inverness, 2-4-52.0; Broughton, Tampa, 2-4-51.0.

CLASS B — Baldwin, St. Cloud, 5-0-52.0; Thornburg, Leesburg, 3-2-54.4; Adams, Titusville, 3-2-52.8; Widdersheim, Clearwater, 2-3-50.0; Reeb, Winter Haven, 1-4-46.8; Mullett, Sarasota, 1-4-45.2.

CLASS C — Warner, Orlando, 5-1-40.0; Senger, Winter Haven, 5-1-45.3; West, Winter Haven, 4-2-44.6; Mandren, Orlando, 3-3-35.3; Bennett, Clearwater, 2-4-44.3; Walters, Orlando, 0-6-29.9.

CLASS D — Gallant, St. Cloud, 5-0-44.4; Gaudette, New Smyrna, 4-1-44.4; Rouse, Bradenton, 3-2-36.0; Jaquette, Sebring, 2-3-38.9; Anderson, St. Cloud, 1-4-33.2; S. Larson, St. Cloud, 0-5-22.8.

CLASS E — Falk, Orlando, 6-1-31.0; Brown, Winter Haven, 5-2-33.0; Fleagle, St. Cloud, 4-3-32.6; Ellingson, New Smyrna, 4-3-29.6; Wagner, Melbourne, 3-4-26.6; C. Larson, St. Cloud, 3-4-24.0; Berrall, Orlando, 3-4-22.0.

CLASS F — Estes, Orlando, 4-1-26.4; Davis, Clearwater, 4-1-28.8; Halsted, Winter Haven, 3-2-26.6; Hoyt, Orlando, 3-2-21.2; Hagemeyer, New Smyrna, 2-3-18.4; Wallschlaeger, Orlando, 0-5-20.4.

Establishing a 50-shoe limit for all games and all classes proved a good move, "Pete" Peterson, the tournament director said. "First three classes finished before Noon. Second three classes wound up by 4 P.M. No lights needed. Using Jim Solomon of Pennsylvania's Rule to govern the pitching order (the man taking the points yielding first pitch to opponent) produced a few grumbles in lower classes but none from the better pitchers."

CENTRAL IOWA 1980 TRAVELING LEAGUE

The Central Iowa NHPA Approved Traveling League for 1980 consisted of eight four-player teams, playing a round robin (home and home) schedule. This year, our second, all teams had local business sponsors. Each week the teams played 4 50 Shoe count-all games against their opponent. Player averages were kept and updated on a weekly basis. A 100% handicap was used. At the midseason break all player averages were recomputed for the second half. This method helped make those who started out badly or those who had improved greatly have an average that was more realistic.

The enthusiasm engendered by the team play resulted in a State Team Championship held in conjunction with the other Iowa Horseshoe Championships during the Iowa State Fair in August. Ten teams were invited to this experimental Championship and all judged it a huge success. The teams were divided into two groups of five teams each. Play was 50 Shoe Count-All on a 6-player round robin schedule with each team playing one team from the other class to make the schedule complete. A 90-95% handicap was used with averages being computed & by an excellent clerical staff) at the end of each game. The winner of each class played off to determine the State Champion. All play was completed in one evening.

It appears that the Central Iowa League will expand in 1981 to ten or more teams. This has become a popular method of play in Central Iowa.

CENTRAL IOWA — (Continued)**STANDINGS**

1. **Farmer's Elevator**—George Whitlatch, Carl Clement, Marion Lange, Walt McCleary and Keith McGahuey.
2. **Norwalk Insulation**—Dick Huitt, Bill Carroll, Linda Carroll and Earl Standley.
3. **Lil Bo Jangles**—Larry Harper, Dean Belew, Leonard Belew and Jerry Jenkins.
4. **Wendy's Hamburgers**—Stuart Burns, Sue Burns, Walter Clark and Leonard Larson.
5. **Sease Income Tax**—Danny Sease, Charlie Cross, Ed Buch and Jack Draper.
6. **Highland Pastry Shop**—Harry Savage, Oscar Abrahamson, John Brown and Morris Nemo.
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SEASON RECORDS

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This league consists of players with a ringer percentage high of 55.0% to a low of 9.7%, according to IHHPA averages.

NORM SIEFKER WINNER OF "COUNTRY SCHOOL" TOURNAMENT MARCELLA DAVIS TOPS IN LADIES CLASS

Fifty-six pitchers from throughout Illinois competed in the second annual "Country School" open tournament held at Shelbyville, Illinois the latter part of July. Over \$9000 in trophies and case prizes were awarded and presented by Glenn and Ruth Summers owners of the Country School Restuarant in Shelbyville.

Norm Siefker edged out Jesse White in the play-off for the grand championship, 50-38. Each had previously won their respective classes.

In the Ladies division, Marcella Davis and Shirley Davis, mother-in-law and daughter-in-law respectively were matched in a play-off for the Ladies title, have been winners in their own classes. Marcella Davis (mother-in-law) squeaked out a victory over her daughter-in-law, 25 to 24 to take home the title.

CLASS A — N. Seifker, 5-0; M. Tiry, 3-2; W. Savage, 2-3; M. Carey, 2-3; P. Reynolds, 2-3; Wm. Davis, 1-4.

CLASS AA — J. White, 5-0; H. Matheny, 4-1; H. Livengood, 3-2; B. Kraus, 2-3; B. McQueen, 1-4; F. Wicker, 0-5.

CLASS B — L. Wicker, 5-0; H. Maroney, 4-1; H. Rusk, 3-2; R. Wilke, 1-4; B. Koons, 1-4; P. Martin, 1-4.

CLASS C — C. Smith 5-0; D. Brunk, 3-2; L. Griggerman, 3-2; L. Tucker, 3-2; V. Lidy, 1-4; P. Rankin, 0-5.

CLASS D — J. McKnight, 4-1; D. Randall, 4-1; L. Smith, 3-2; B. Smith, 2-3; G. Beckemeyer, 2-3; H. Gill, 0-5.

CLASS E — F. Beasley, 5-0; K. Walters, 4-1; D. Cunningham, 3-2; F. Banning, 1-4; R. Banning, 1-4; G. Welton, 1-4.

CLASS F — R. Miller, 5-0; R. Towell, 4-1; R. Morgan, 3-2; T. Wicker, 1-4; G. Rogers, 1-4; C. Hackman, 0-5.

WOMENS CLASS A — M. Davis, 5-0; Maroney, 4-1; J. Smith, 3-2; B. Edwards, 2-3; N. Wicker, 1-4; Smith, 0-5.

WOMENS CLASS B — S. Davis, 7-0; B. Taylor, 6-1; M. Rogers, 5-2; C. Thompson, 4-3; R. Summers, 3-4; L. Yates, 2-5; H. Fry, 1-6; V. Nohren, 0-7.

CLEARWATER, FLORIDA INVITATIONAL TO BE TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

by Norman Gaseau

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 group 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.

The response to Chief Charley's U.S. Invitational Tournament to be held in Clearwater, Fla., March 27-29, 1981 has been beyond expectations. The following players have been confirmed for the tournament:

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.

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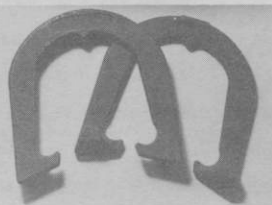
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ASHFORD, DEUSTER, MC NEILL WINNERS IN MASSACHUSETTS TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

A record 93 pitchers competed for the honor of winning the 8th annual Handicap Tournament of Champions last October at the indoor courts of Heritage Recreation Center in Sutton, Massachusetts. Thanks to the generosity of St. Pierre Manufacturing Company, sponsors of this tournament since 1975, over \$500 in prize money was awarded.

Three new champions were crowned—Lee Ashford of New Hampshire, Vivien Deuster of Long Island, and Chuck McNeill of Massachusetts. All proved their mettle under the fire of some inspired competition. While there is always an element of luck involved in winning, these fine champions won primarily because they pitched great and kept on pitching great, game after game.

Dick and Frances Carnahan journeyed the farthest, driving all the way from western Pennsylvania to compete, and giving good account of themselves.

The tournament was again played as count ringers only, 50 shoe games, 80% handicap. In a poll of the entrants, regular cancellation scoring received a slight majority, but once they found how close and thrilling the games could be—27 games ended in ties; 57 were decided by a single ringer—several changed their votes to the method used.

CHUCK MC NEILL TOPS IN JUNIORS

Chuck McNeill won the junior championship by pitching well over his entering average of 26%, averaging 32.6%, a new personal high. He won his first game with 34□, tied his second with 34 again, won his next by a point at 26, then rattled off three more wins with 38, 40, and 36% before dropping a meaningless final game. Ray Gokey took second with 4 wins and a tie, edging out Bob Deuster by half a game. (Tie games were not broken by a tie-breaker; each player credited with half a win). Pitching in his final event as a junior, Deuster made a strong bid for the championship. His first four games were 68%, 80%, 72%, and 82%. Unfortunately, the competition was such that when he dropped "way down" to 68, 60 and 60%, there were three L's on his record. However, he can take pride in his 70.0% average.

JUNIOR DIVISION — Chuck McNeill, MA, 5½-1½-32.6; Raymond Gokey, VT, 4½-2½-32.9; Bob Deuster, NY, 4-3-70.0; David Doyon, ME, 4-3-49.7; Janice Domey, MA, 3½-3½-45.1; Brenda McNeill, MA, 3-4-34.9; Sheldon Steeves, MA, 3-4-37.4; John Gokey, VT, ½-6½-29.4.

VIVIEN DEUSTER CAPTURES WOMENS' TITLE

Vivien Deuster went undefeated in winning the Women's Division. She entered the tournament at 66%, proceeded to average 73.7%, and fired high games of 80% in Round 2 and 86% in Round 4. Gerry Begin started in the #8 spot but moved all the way to second place on the strength of a 5 and 2 record and a new personal high average of 32.9%. Debby Michaud finished with the same 5 and 2 record as Gerry, but in the positional tie-break method used for this tournament she had to settle for third place.

It should be noted that three world-class women pitched in this tournament. Deuster, Michaud, and Frances Carnahan all pitched in Class A of the 1980 World Tournament.

WOMENS' DIVISION — Vivien Deuster, NY, 7-0-73.7; Gerry Begin, MA, 5-2-72.9; Debby Michaud, MA, 5-2-70.6; Mary Steeves, MA, 3-4-32.9; Frances Carnahan, PA, 3-4-60.3; Edith Gadoury, MA, 2-5-33.1; Barbara McNeill, MA, 2-5-32.0; Lucille Desrosiers, NH, 1-6-31.7.

LEE ASHFORD DOWNS JOE SCHULTZ IN MENS' TITLE SHOWDOWN

To win the Mens' championship, one has to finish first or second in a qualifying group of 8, has to win one of the four finalists groups to become one of the "Final Four," has to win a one-game semi-final match, and, finally, has to win the championship game.

Lee Ashford did just that. Lee entered the tournament at 46%. In reaching the finals he won his qualifying group with a 55.7% average and 6 wins, the only undefeated finalist. He then won a very tough Finals Group with 2½ wins, 1½ losses, a 52% playoff victory over Ed Domey, and a 52.5% average. In that group all five pitchers (Domey, Wayne, Ashford, Nacewicz, and Benton) exceeded their entering averages.

Meanwhile, eventual runnerup Joe Schultz, in at 76%, qualified by averaging 82.6%, tied his lowest game (72%), lost an 82% game by one ringer, and won five games including a 92% shot. Joe was equally spectacular in his finalist group, winning 3 and tying 1 (at 82%). His low game was 78% and he averaged 80.5%.

Rounding out the "Final Four" were Russ Sweeney and Charlie Bonani. Russ qualified with a 2nd place finish, Charlie with a tie for 1st. Russ then walked through his finalist group with four victories, averaging 57.0% (in at 51%) and finishing with a 72% flourish. Bonani won 2 and tied 2, averaging 66.0% (in at 63%) and fired a 68% playoff game against Dennis Labelednick to make the "Final Four."

Thus, after approximately 12 games, the "Final Four" were known. The semi-final matchups were Ashford-Bonani and Schultz-Sweeney. Ashford added 33 live ringers to his 7 ringer spot and won his game 40-34. He simply was not to be denied. Bonani dropped on 14 ringers in his first 20 shoes and picked up only one point. He then tossed 9 for 10 and managed to pick up 4 more points, closing the gap to 2 after 30 shoes. Ashford came right back, however, missing but 4 times in his final 20 shoes, for a 6 point victory margin and the right to play for the championship.

Schultz spotted Sweeney 10 ringers. After 24 shoes the gap was still a big 6 points and Russ was starting to hit his stride, running three consecutive doubles. But Joe covered all six and ran five more doubles of his own, closing the gap to 2 points at 40 shoes. At 48 shoes Joe led by 1. Russ failed to convert either of his last two pitches, and so did Joe, so Schultz won 41-40 with 82% to Sweeney's 60%. Until the ending double miss, Schultz had tossed 28 ringers in final 30 shoes.

The stage was now set for the grand finale, a showdown between two hot pitchers—Ashford had finished his final game with 16 for 20 and Schultz with 26 for 30. So, as so often happens, the tension or whatever pulls down the percentages, but not the excitement of the match. Ashford started 13 points up on the spot. Schultz closed the gap to 4 at 28 shoes, mostly on the strength of a run of 8 ringers. They both pitched 8 for 12 and the pay was still 4 points at 40 shoes. Then the ringer touch got lost. Ashford hit 3 of his next 8, Schultz snagged 5. At 48 shoes the spread was only 2 points. Knowing Joe, and knowing that a double miss puts the game into overtime, Ashford dropped on one clean ringer to salt the game away. With the game beyond reach, Schultz missed on his last pitches. The final score was 37-34, with Ashford hitting 48% and Schultz 68%.

Sweeney won the 3rd-4th place playoff over Bonani 37-31. Both men seemed to spend more time watching the "big" game on the next court.

Space does not permit further mention of the fine pitching to get back in next year.

In the tabulations below, the figures in parenthesis show the overall records of all finalists, playoff games included.

MEN'S DIVISION — Final Round: Championship Game—Ashford, 37-48.0; Schultz, 34-68.0. Semi-Final Round: Schultz, 41-82.0; Sweeney, 40-60.0; Ashford, 40-66.0; Bonani, 34-68.0. Third Place: Sweeney, 37-66.0; Fourth Place Bonani, 31-62.0.

FINALS GROUP 1 — Joe Schultz, NY, 3½-½-80.5—10-3-80.8; Bill Lawson, MA, 3-1-30.5—8-3-34.4; Bob Dorn, MA, 1½-1½-49.5—6½-4½-48.7; Ed Bodinski, MA, 1-3-55.5—5-5-56.6; Bill McMahon, MA, 1-3-33.5—6-5-37.6.

FINALS GROUP 2 — Lee Ashford, NH, 2½-1½-52.5—11½-1½-54.6; Ed Domey, MA, 2½-1½-74.5—8½-3½-72.2; Art Wayne, NNH, 2-2-62.5—7-4-62.7; Tony Nacewicz, MA, 2-2-37.5—7-3-35.8; Playoff: Ashford, 38 (52%); Domey 30 (60%).

MEN'S TITLE SHOWDOWN — (Continued)

FINALS GROUP 3 — Russ Sweeney, MA, 4-0-57.0; 9½-2½-54.8; Ron Ahlstrom, MA, 2½-1½-64.5—7-3-63.8; Dick Belanger, NH, 2-2-44.0; 6½-3½-44.0; Al Doucette, MA, 1-3-33.0—6½-4½-33.1; Rene Doyon, ME, ½-3½-24.0—6½-4½-26.4.

FINALS GROUP 4 — Charlie Bonani, MA, 3-1-66.0—10-4-66.9; Dennis Labednick, NH, 3-1-39.0—7-4-37.1; Joe Guy, MA, 2½-1½-39.5—8-3-43.1; Sam Raymond, NH, 1½-2½-49.0—6½-3½-50.0; Dick Olsen, MA, 0-4-17.0—5-6-21.1; Playoff: Bonani, 34 (68%); Labednick, 31 (38%).

QUALIFYING GROUP 1 — Joe Guy, MA, 5½-1½-45.1; Bill McMahon, MA, 5-2-40.0; John Layman, MA, 5-2-51.7; Paul Cormier, MA, 4½-2½-58.6; Tom Courtney, MA, 3-4-30.0; Charlie Rutkowski, MA, 2½-4½-26.3; Joe Merritt, MA, 2-5-48.3; Rubby Whitehouse, MA, ½-6½-19.7.

QUALIFYING GROUP 2 — Lee Ashford, NH, 6-0-55.7; Tony Nacewicz, MA, 5-1-34.7; Greg Rutkowski, MA, 4-2-48.7; Tom Cook, MA, 3-3-42.7; Dave Baillargeon, NH, 2-4-23.7; Bart Sargent, MA, ½-5½-14.7; Mel Merritt, MA, ½-5½-30.0.

QUALIFYING GROUP 3 — Charlie Bonani, MA, 6-1-67.7; Ed Domey, MA, 6-1-72.6; Fran Norman, MA, 4½-2½-53.4; Al Rowell, MA, 4-3-22.0; Warren Hall, NH, 3-4-32.0; John Garson, MA, 2-5-28.6; Mike Desroches, MA, 2-5-19.1; Ed Snow, NH, ½-6½-26.9.

QUALIFYING GROUP 4 — Al Doucette, MA, 5½-1½-33.1; Russell Sweeney, MA, 4½-2½-51.1; Bernard Herfurth, MA, 4-3-65.7; Ray Peloquin, MA, 4-3-52.9; Robert Brouillard, NH, 3-4-30.0; Whitey Bates, MA, 3-4-32.0; Robert Snide, VT, 2½-4½-32.0; Hank Labine, NH, 1½-5½-21.1.

QUALIFYING GROUP 5 — Sam Raymond, NH, 5-1-50.7; Ron Ahlstrom, MA, 4½-1½-63.3; Ed Harrington, MA, 4-2-26.7; Angie Ciesiak, MA, 2½-3½-54.7; Bill Progen, MA, 2-4-40.0; Ed Cote, MA, 2-4-40.0; John Miner, NH, 1-5-18.7.

QUALIFYING GROUP 6 — Roger Bolduc, ME, ** 5-2-28.6; Dick Olsen, MA, 5-2-23.4; Dennis Hansen, CT, 4½-2½-53.7; Dick Carnahan, PA, 4-3-64.6; Robert Gokey, VT, 4-3-44.6; Elmer Moore, VT, 3-4-39.7; Orton Cushman, MA, 1½-5½-48.0; Francis McMahon, ME, 1-6-37.4. **Bolduc unable to return for finals.

QUALIFYING GROUP 7 — Rene Doyon, ME, 6-1-27.7; Jay Benton, CT, 5-2-38.0; Ron Desrosiers, NH, 4½-2½-44.0; Andy Dominique, MA, 3½-3½-43.1; Buddy Ploof, MA, 3-4-30.3; Mike Boudreau, VT, 3-4-59.7; Walt Deuster, NY, 2-5-40.0; Frank Wagner, CT, 1-6-31.7.

QUALIFYING GROUP 8 — Bill Lawson, MA, 5-2-36.6; Bill Dupont, MA, ** 5-2-44.3; Robert Dorn, MA, 5-2-48.3; Tom Monigan, CT, 4-3-51.7; Donald Moreau, NH, 3-4-15.7; Brad Bemis, NH, 2-5-38.9; George Blais, NH, 2-5-33.0. Forest Lander, VT, Withdrew after 4 games. **Dupont unable to return for finals.

QUALIFYING GROUP 9 — Joe Schultz, NY, 5½-1½-82.6; Art Wayne, NH, 5-2-62.9; Harry Schricker, MA, 4-3-36.0; Normand Ricard, NH, 3½-3½-43.1; Paul Dumont, MA, 3-4-52.6; Huck Day, MA, 3-4-36.3; Buster Johnson, MA, 2½-4½-22.6; George Sylvain, NH, 1½-5½-39.7.

QUALIFYING GROUP 10 — Dick Belanger, NH, 4½-1½-44.0; Dennis Labednick, NH, 4-2-35.7; Ed Bodinski, MA, 4-2-57.3; Tom Henley, MA, 3½-2½-42.3; Art Tyson, NY, 3-3-71.3; David Monroe, NH, 2-4-38.7; Armando Deluca, MA, 0-6-11.0.

GARY MINNICK WINS HIS FIRST ARIZONA STATE TITLE

Gary Minnick of Tucson, Arizona went undefeated to win his first Arizona State championship on October 25 on the Pioneer park courts in Mesa, Arizona. He posted a 5-0-56.8 record. Art Kamman who was the defending champion was unable to compete because of physical talent.

CLASS A — G. Minnick, 5-0-56.8; J. Walker, 4-1-57.7; J. McKissack, 2-3-43.1; B. Bissell, 2-3-41.1; R. Bates, 1-4-39.0; R. Lee, 1-4-33.9.

CLASS B — L. Montaney, 4-1-44.3; A. Brown, 4-1-53.4; L. Hannah, 3-2-46.9; H. Langmore, 3-2-42.1; S. Finrock, 1-4-32.4; K. Cole, 0-5-28.4.

CLASS C — M. Bishop, 5-0-34.4; M. Bridges, 3-2-35.6; M. Fenimore, 3-2-33.2; M. McKissack, 2-3-28.2; N. Hefner, 2-3-27.6; R. Kehl, 0-5-24.3.

CLASS D — F. Dalluge, 4-0-32.0; G. Holliday, 3-1-31.2; D. McRoberts, 2-2-27.2; R. Benbow, 1-3-27.7; M. Larkins, Jr., 0-4-27.1.

CLASS E — F. Jordi, 3-1-24.7; F. Pinneo, 3-1-21.3; N. Sorem, 2-2-20.3; L. Resseguie, 1-3-20.7; C. Larkins, 1-3-14.6.

MINNICK IN SECOND TITLE WIN—CAPTURES BONANZA RESTAURANT OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

November 14 and 15 were special days for Gary Minnick as he again went undefeated to win the Bonanza Restaurant Open tournament held at the Pioneer Park courts in Mesa, Arizona. Five straight wins and a ringer percentage of 61.0 did the trick. Bill Kamm was the runner-up with 3-2596. Bill also posted the high single game percentage of 82.1. Doris Stablyk was the play-off winner over Barbara Christianson to win the Ladies title.

CLASS A — G. Minnick, 5-0-61.0; W. Kamm, 3-2-59.63; F. Ash, 3-2-59.49; L. Fitzpatrick, 2-3-53.7; L. Hannan, 2-3-46.1; M. Rehels, 0-5-Forfeit.

CLASS B — J. Reynolds, 4-1-54.6; E. Wilkinson, 4-1-51.9; A. Erickson, 4-1-50.6; M. Larkins, Sr., 2-3-46.8; G. Miller, 1-4-46.1; W. Courtwright, 0-5-42.5.

CLASS C — F. Green, 4-1-44.4; L. Montaney, 4-1-42.5; J. McKissack 3-2-46.4; J. Vitton, 2-3-42.5; W. Reichard, 2-3-41.4; L. Griesen, 0-5-32.7.

CLASS D — A. Kamman, 3-2-43.2; L. Wildman, 3-2-41.7; E. Smith, 3-2-40.2; B. Bissell, 3-2-37.7; W. Jones, 2-3-38.5; R. Weber, 1-4-35.3.

CLASS E — J. Stablyk, 4-1-43.3; H. Markwardt, 4-1-38.3; M. Bridges, 4-1-37.7; R. Gueck, 2-3-33.6; B. Swickard, 1-4-29.9; W. James, 0-5-23.8.

CLASS F — J. Harthrup, 5-0-40.9; F. Nelson, 4-1-34.8; M. Bishop, 2-3-32.9; A. Smith, 2-3-31.8; E. Dachhtler, 2-3-31.2; R. Halley, 0-5-33.4.

CLASS G — B. Bajari, 5-0-42.5; L. Ferrin, 3-2-35.3; F. Dalluge, 3-2-34.3; M. McKissack, 2-3-28.3; M. Johnson, 2-3-26.7; G. Peirce, 0-5-26.4.

CLASS H — V. Ioerger, 4-1-28.6; R. Benbow, 3-2-31.1; M. Glennie, 3-2-26.8; M. Larkins, Jr., 2-3-33.9; C. Thomas, 2-3-28.6; O. Thomas, 1-4-25.1.

CLASS I — W. Forrester, 4-1-28.1; R. Sneller, 4-1-24.3; E. Krause, 3-2-27.9; C. Fletchall, 2-3-17.4; L. Ressegnie, 2-3-17.3; J. Kranholm, 0-5-Forfeit.

CLASS J — J. Thaenum, 5-0-32.7; J. Selle, 3-2-24.3; A. Hall, 3-2-21.1; H. Kolzow, 3-2-19.6; F. Pinneo, 1-4-19.7.

CLASS K — A. Dwyer, 4-1-19.0; R. Hill, 3-2-19.9; D. Mereure, 3-2-15.1; G. Sneller, 3-2-14.2; N. Sorem, 2-3-12.6.

CLASS A LADIES — D. Stablyk, 2-1-29.8; B. Christianson, 2-6-31.4; S. Jones, 1-2-30.8; H. Erickson, 1-2-29.7.

CLASS B LADIES — W. Stam, 3-0-31.4; C. Larkins, 2-1-26.6; J. Thomas, 1-2-22.3; R. Smith, 0-3-20.5.

NEW HORSESHOE CLUB FORMED IN ST. LOUIS, MO.

The Greater St. Louis Horseshoe Club which had its start this past July, proved to be a great success. With the club sponsoring two tournaments and forming a Tuesday and Wednesday nite league, with 34 men and 5 woman participating in the league.

Mark Tribout won the Men's Tuesday nite league with a record of 21 wins and 6 losses. Mark, age 21, has proven himself to be one of the most improved pitcher's in the area by raising his ringer percentage 15% this past year.

Al Ewerty captured the high average award with 55.3%. Al is an old timer to the game and has helped some of the lower class pitcher's improve their game. He is also the newly crowned City Champion by winning the 1st St. Louis Close Championship Tournament held this Fall.

ST. LOUIS — (Continued)

The high game award went to H.R. (Rocky) Femandy with a 65.4% game. Rocky is well liked by everyone and with his participation in the club, he has proven to be an outstanding member.

Lee (The Barber) Stevenson won the most improved award, narrowly beating out Terry Tributou by a whisker. Lee raised his average 6.5% after the 3rd week of play.

Dave Dattilo received the player of the year award by a vote of the league members. Dave is the Club President and is also the Missouri State Class C Champion which he won with a 7-0 record and a 52.7% average in Columbus, Mo. this past Labor Day.

Connie Evans won the Wednesday Nite ladies league (10-0) and high average award 13.0%. Connie is the club secretary and a avid horseshoe player.

Peggy Dattilo took the most improved and high game awards. After many hours of practice. Peggy also won the 1st Ladies St. Louis Fall Tournament with a 4-0 record and a 23.2 ringer percentage.

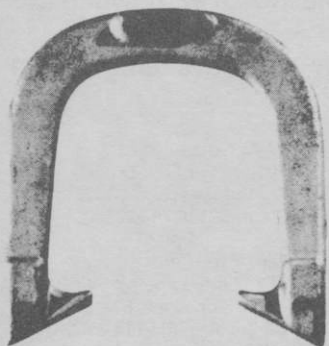
Mary Tubout received the Player of the Year Award. This being Mary's first year pitching horseshoes, she has proven to be a good sport and a tough competitor on the courts.

Anyone wishing to join the club can do so by contacting Dave Dattilo at 647-9433 or by coming to one of our monthly meetings, held the first Tuesday of every month at Meliae's Hall 3309 Meramec at Virginia in St. Louis, Mo.

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CHAMPIONSHIP D — Stan Dobson, La Mesa, 8-0-49.7; Doyle Brawley, Riverside, 7-2-39.6; Ray Silva Sr., Santa Barbara, 6-2-43.6; Loris Halick, Simi Valley, 6-1-43.1; Ron St. Thomas, Norwalk, 5-2-43.6; Jim Eozzo, Los Angeles, 5-2-43.0; Jim Sutherlin, Lakewood, 5-2-41.1; Bill Hubbs, San Ysidro, 5-2-39.0; Harold Slagg, Ontario, 4-3-42.2; Bob Thompson, Orange, 4-3-37.4; Wood Overton, Burbank, 4-3-33.8; Jim Dow, Glendale, 4-3-32.7; Ken Ratley, San Bernardino, 4-3-30.0; Robert Jones, Burbank, 3-4-33.0; Ward Harman, Palos Verdes, 3-4-32.6; Fred Craven, Bellflower, 3-4-31.1; George Whittermore, Rosemead, 3-4-25.0; Larry Ford, San Diego, 3-4-25.4; George Farrell, Corona Del Mar, 2-5-28.5; Chuck Yoshida, Carson, 1-6-25.4; Lee Hubbs, Pomona, 1-6-23.1; Chuck Abblett, Simi Valley, 0-7-21.6.

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CHAMPIONSHIP F — Jim Dow, Glendale, 6-1-38.9; Ward Harman, Rancho Palms Verdes, 6-1-40.2; Sam Erwin, Exeter, 5-1-30.2; Bill Van Sant, La Puente, 5-1-29.9; Boyce Miller, San Clemente, 4-2-30.1; Ken Ratley, San Bernardino, 4-2-34.6; Floyd Brown, Exeter, 3-3-35.6; Chuck Yoshida, Carson, 3-3-31.7; Fred Craven, Bellflower, 2-4-34.1; Lee Hubbs, Pomona, 2-4-27.7; Wally Shipley, Orange, 1-5-23.7; Hank Romine, Long Beach, 1-5-21.7; Chuck Abblett, Simi Valley, 1-5-21.3; Jeff Jonucz, Chula Vista, 0-6-27.8.

WOMENS CHAMPIONSHIP — Dorothy McAllister, Sun City, 4-0-54.1; Cathy Ringo, Vista, 3-1-46.7; Mary Van Sant, Sun City, 2-2-41.7; Barbara Dow, Glendale, 1-3-37.2; Carol Harding, San Luis Rey, 0-4-14.6.

HANDICAP C — Stan Hilton, Burbank, 7-0-50.3; Stan Dobson, La Mesa, 6-1-50.8; Milt Gibbs, San Bernardino, 5-2-45.6; Charlie Parsons, Lucerne Valley, 5-2-35.9; Gene Van Sant, Sun City, 4-1-43.4; Ken Vickery, Riverside, 4-1-46.1; Earl Kerr, Anaheim, 3-2-51.4; Jim Dow, Glendale, 3-2-40.0; Ken Ratley, San Bernardino, 3-2-37.3; Harold Slagg, Ontario, 3-2-41.9; Ron Kennel, Riverside, 3-2-32.9; Lyle .2; Larry Ford, San Diego, mont, 2-3-43.0; Chuck Yoshida, Carson, 2-3-35.6; Jake Boone, San Bernardino, 2-3-41.2; Larry Ford, San Diego, 2-3-33.7; Lloyd Botter, San Bernardino, 2-3-34.4; Earl Hogan, San Bernardino, 1-4-26.9; Ken Anderson, Riverside, 1-4-26.9; Lee Blackrock, Maywood, 1-4-30.8; Les Burroughs, Redlands, 1-4-38.7; Doyle Brawley, Riverside, 1-4-38.7; Thomas Buck, Sun City, 1-4-28.8; John Cummskey, Burbank, 0-5-30.3.

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SAN ANTONIO, TEX. TOPS IN JUNIOR HORSESHOE PITCHING

A very successful Junior Horseshoe Pitching League was recently completed at the Lakeside (San Antonio) Horseshoe Pitchers Club. The handicap league is sanctioned by the national Horseshoe Pitchers Association. Fourteen players competed during the late summer and early fall. Boys and girls competed on an equal basis. The 80% handicap league play was won by Eric Brauer who had a 19.3% ringer average. Other leaders in the league were 2nd. Place, Tim Thomas, 3rd. Place, James Patterson, 4th. Place Terri Jenschke and 5th. Place, Mike Gerdson. Terri Jenschke a most attractive and charming young lady was elected by the players in the league as the player of the year. Mike Gerdson who has the potential of becoming a top horseshoe pitcher in a few years had a final high average of 24% ringers. James Patterson another young pitcher of high quality had a 21.6% ringer average.



These young horseshoe pitchers are learning the power of concentration in becoming a good pitcher. They have formed their own junior club with James Patterson as President, Terri Jenschke, Vice-President, and Eric Brauer, Secretary-Treasurer.

The youngest pitcher in the Club is Jenny Brown who is an improving young pitcher. So enthusiastic are these young pitchers that they would like to propose that a National Junior Championship Tournament be held at the Lakeside Horseshoe Pitchers Club in April or May 1981. The weather at this time of year in San Antonio, Texas is considered to be the best in the United States.

The Lakeside Horseshoe Pitchers Junior League is the first sanctioned by the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association in Texas. Other junior leagues will be formed soon in Texas.

LOUCKS RETAINS NO. CALIF. CLASS A CHAMPIONSHIP

San Jose's Dave Loucks retained his Norther California Class A Championship even though he lost his last game to Herm Rushing. Loucks had the high single game percentage of 72.7 and averaged 64.0 percent for the tournament. The meet was played at the Tahoe park courts in Sacramento late in August. Marty Dunn cinched the Consolation title overcoming Juke Basham 50-28 to edge out Emmet Schroeder. Dunn had a 70.0 percent game to claim high game honors for his class. George Greott won Group 3 in a play-off. Mel Long won Group 4.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Dave Loucks, 6-1-64.0; Al Crabtree, 5-2-60.5; Bob Mauzey, 4-3-58.0; Ed Floyd, 4-3-57.4; Herb Rushing, 3-4-56.6; Mate McBride, 3-4-56.5; Bill Lewis, 2-5-51.7; Pete Manitone, 1-6-52.9.

GROUP 2 — Marty Dunn, 6-1-54.0; Emmet Schroeder, 5-2-52.8; Juke Easham, 4-3-49.3; Holland Payne, 3-4-49.4; Verdian Zelter, 3-4-49.3; Vern Gosney, 3-4-46.8; Max Vice, 2-5-53.3; Bob Hanlon, 2-5-47.0.

GROUP 3 — George Greott, 3-2-44.8; Joe Zogman, 3-2-42.4; Roy Statham, 3-2-44.8; Joe White, 3-2-39.6; Tom Keys, 2-3-42.4; Marshall Johnson, 1-4-36.0.

GROUP 4 — Mel Long, Sr., 5-0-41.6; Ray Mittlesteadt, 3-2-31.2; Jim Long, 3-2-30.8; Marion Hawley, 2-3-26.8; Len Edwards, 2-3-24.0; Lee Thornhill, 0-5-20.4.

COMING EVENTS

ARIZONA SCHEDULE—1980-81

PIONEER PARK, MESA

Jan. 16-17 — Valley of the Sun Warm-up Open. NHPA sanctioned. Any state and NHPA membership required. Mail to Ralph McCarty, 534 East Hermosa Vista Drive, Mesa, Arizona 85205. Phone 602-985-1525.

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.

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

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.

Jan. 3 — Plant City Open, Plant City, FL. Contact (J).
Jan. 10 — Winter Haven Open, Winter Haven, FL. Contact (L).

Jan. 17 — Highland County Open, Sebring, FL. Contact (E).

Jan. 16-17 — Bradenton Open, Bradenton, FL. Contact (H). First day of tournament for pitchers 40% & under.

Jan. 23-24 — Sunshine Open, Orlando, FL. Contact (I). First day of tournament for pitchers 40% & under.

Jan. 31 — Sun Bank of Osceola City Open, St. Cloud, FL. Contact (A).

Jan. 30-31 — Pineallas County Open, Seminole, FL. Contact (C). First day of tournament for pitchers 40% & under.

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% and 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

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INDIANA'S WINTER INDOOR SCHEDULE

Rush Indoor Courts — Rushville, Indiana

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Jan. 3-4 — New Years Open, Entry fee \$7.00, 35 points.

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.

Coming Events—Continued

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 Werner, 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.
- May 30-31—Chillicothe Open. Classes A,B,C,D (Sanctioned) Deadline May 24. Entry fee of \$8 and Pct. to Tom King, 63 Page Rd., Chillicothe, OH 45601. Ph. 614-733-1993.
- 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 Jul 5. \$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.

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.

- Jan. 16-17-18 — Wilbert Rugg, R.D. 1, Box 43, Mill Run, PA 15464, 1-455-3677. Or Kay & Calvin Bittner, R.D. 1, Box 205-A, Mill Run, PA 15464, 1-455-3769.
- 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.

HERITAGE RECREATION SCHEDULE SUTTON, MASS.

- Jan. 11 — January Thaw, 35% and under.
Jan. 18 — January Thaw, 36% and up.
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

- Jan. 10 — Open, Entry fee \$2.00. Ribbons.
Jan. 24 — Open Entry Fee: \$2. Ribbons.
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.

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January 21-22
February 21-22

March 21-22
April 18-19

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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.

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

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

COLUSA'S CARL NESOME NEW "C" CHAMPION (N. CALIF.)

Going into the 7th and final game, four erstwhile contestants had a chance to win or tie for the No. Calif. Class C. Championship; Carl Newsome, Chuck Rodrigues, Harold Hoar and Don Burgess. Then Hoar lost to Arnold Davis; Burgess lost to Jim Keyes Sr., and Rodriguez dropped a 49-52 game on the last pitch to Newsome and that was the tournament.

Rodriguez had the high tournament % of 47.8, high game of 61.7% but finished second. Bill Victorinos of Hollister won the Consolation title with a clean slate of 7-0. George Palmer of the host Stockton Club won in Group III.

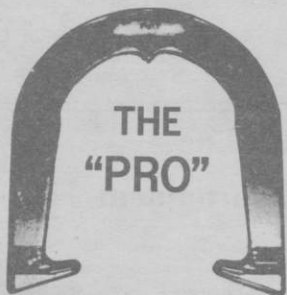
CHAMPIONSHIP I — Carl Newsome, 5-2-44.3; Chuck Rodrigues, 4-3-47.8; Harold Hoar, 4-3-45.4; Don Burgess, 4-3-43.6; Arnold Davis, 4-3-39.8; Jim Smith, Sr., 4-3-38.7; Jim Keyes, Sr., 2-5-35.3; Mel Long, Sr., 1-6-27.8.

GROUP II — Bill Victorino, 7-0-41.8; Lou Bayer, 6-1-33.4; Ray Mittlesteadt, 4-3-40.4; Pete Donoho, 3-4-33.8; Marion Hawley, 3-4-31.6; John Nitzman, 3-4-31.6; Lou Gayet, 2-5-30.8; Obie Winn, 0-7-25.6.

GROUP III — George Palmer, 5-0-37.2; Elton Cowles, 4-1-18.8; Lee Thornhill, 3-2-28.0; Jim Long, 2-3-20.8; Ernie Kim, 1-4-12.8.



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