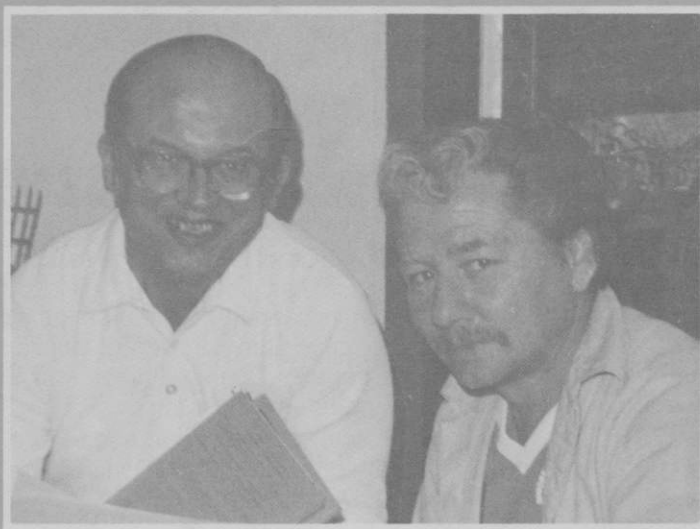




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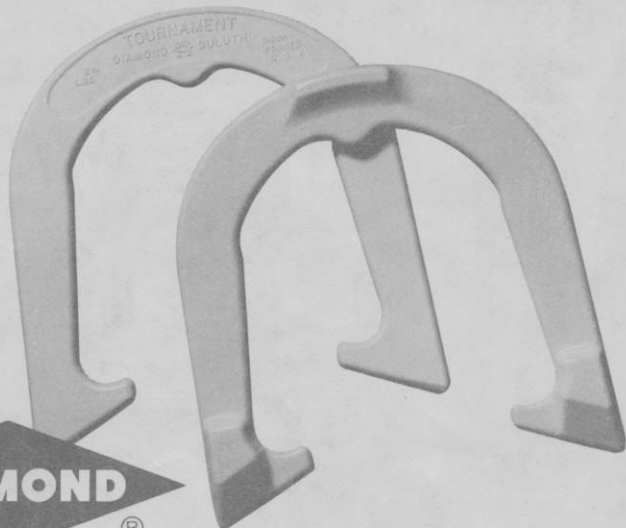
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## FROM YOUR PRESIDENT . . . GLEN A. PORTT

We are into the beginning of a new year and, I hope, a bigger and better one. For 1984, the 'name of the game' is one word . . . MEMBERSHIP. With *your* help, the NHPA can double in one year! Preposterous? Not really.

What programs do we have going? Publicity Chairman Bernard Herfurth has many. He outlined two ways (pg. 4, Dec. & Jan. Digest issues) that *you* personally could help. Did you? I suspect not. If not, don't wait any longer. Sit down right now, do what has been asked, and feel proud that you're doing your share in promoting our sport.

Committee Chairmen Claude White, Herman Wieser and Jack Springer have 'membership' programs in being. Claude's Regional Directors have received a complete 'How-to-do-it' membership package, copies of which will be distributed to every club. If these directions are followed, our membership can't help but increase. My sincere thanks goes to San Jose's Don Titcomb and to Verdán Zelman, the President of the Northern California H.P.A. for offering this complete package to the NHPA.

Along with this overall program, Herman and Jack are working to increase our Junior membership dramatically. Youth is the life blood of any organization and if the NHPA is to become a great, continuing one, then we must have a successful program to recruit Juniors. Under our program, every club will receive a letter asking them to write to a minimum of 6 churches, private schools, public schools, Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops or Boys clubs about our NHPA program. These letters will be followed by *personal visits* to thoroughly explain the Junior program and to organize Junior leagues. Each club will be required to report back as to its success.

In the first paragraph, I said, "With *your* help, we can double in one year." It is cliché to say, "Every member get a member!" But, is there a better way to double our membership?

## PRESIDENT'S NOTES . . .

Upon the advice of many senior NHPA members and the Exec Council, the 1st prize for the National Handicap 'Mail-in' Tournament will be changed from 'Any member can win a *possible* \$5,000' to 'Any member can win a possible \$2,000.' Members felt (and convinced your President) that it would be much better to give many more prizes and give that many more NHPA members a chance to win. The prize list which follows is based upon 2000 entries. If 1500 entries, then each place would be 75% of that listed, etc.

1st — \$2,000, 2nd — \$1750, 3rd — \$1500, 4th — \$1250, 5th — \$1150, 6th — \$1000, 7th — \$900, 8th — \$800, 9th — \$700, 10th — \$600, 11th — \$550, 12th — \$500, 13th — \$450, 14th — \$400, 15th — \$350, 16th — \$300, 17th — \$250, 18th — \$200, 19th — \$150, and the next 22 winners at \$100 each. This is \$17,000. If 2,000 enter, the other \$3,000 will be used for expenses and further promotions.

Glen A. Portt  
President

## FIRST THREE TOURNAMENT PLACEMENT RULE RESCINDED

Due to members' requests, the rule passed by the previous Executive Council that only the 1st three names of each class of each tournament be listed in the Digest has been reviewed and is thereby rescinded. All other rules as listed on the bottom of page 3, October 1983 Digest remain in effect.

To refresh your memory they are as follows:

1. All tournament results must be sent to the Digest *within* two weeks after the date of the tournament otherwise they will be not be published.
2. All tournament results must have the date tournament was played and the city where it took place. Otherwise they will be returned.
3. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL also voted that ONLY SANCTIONED tournaments will be published in the future.

## NHPA PUBLICITY NEEDS YOUR COOPERATION

By BERNARD HERFURTH

The NHPA Publicity needs the full cooperation of the entire membership to carry out this plan to get information to the thousands that want information concerning the organized sport of horseshoe pitching. The request of the membership is small. All members are asked to do the following:

Turn to page 4 of your January Digest. Give the news release "ORGANIZED HORSESHOE PITCHING" to your local sports or city editor. The MOST IMPORTANT PART OF THE NEWS RELEASE IS THE ADDRESS OF THE NHPA. Please change the given address to THE NATIONAL HORSESHOE PITCHERS ASSOCIATION, BOX 810, CIRCLEVILLE, OHIO 43113. Donnie Roberts is giving full-time to horseshoe promotion. It was decided to have him answer all inquiries rather than the NHPA Publicity. Please send Donnie Roberts a copy when your news release is printed. One such release from the Boston Globe netted over 100 inquiries.

All editors of state newsletters are requested to print a copy of the January news release. This will further notify members that do not subscribe to the News Digest. NHPA Publicity hopes to see the day when the National dues and the Digest will be a package deal. Please cooperate in promoting our sport.

### SPECIAL NOTICE

During 1984 all members are requested to include the following in all news releases concerning our sport.

For a FREE 12 page Horseshoe Pitching Folder, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, Box 810, Circleville, Ohio 43113.

## *In Memoriam*

Word has been received of the passing of Joe Moore of the Shasta Club of Northern California in late August.

Joe was the type of member that makes a local club function. He received a special award at the Open Tournament in 1982 for his long and dedicated service as Facilities Director of the Shasta Club.

He was always present always competitive at local club activities. Four days before his untimely death at 72 years of age, he won his weekly games in the club meet.

He was chosen "pitcher of the year" by the club members in 1978, 1982 and 1983. The 1983 award was presented to his wife who survives him, early in October. He will be sorely missed by those who knew him.

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The Stockton, Calif. Club of the Northern Calif. Association sadly reports the passing of one of its congenial members, Ed Schroeder, a former president of the Stockton Club. He was stricken with a fatal heart attack in Los Angeles.

Ed played in Southern California before coming to the Northern area where he was an active pitcher, playing in many tournaments along with his brother Emmet of Lodi, Calif. Ed also pitched in the World Tournament when it was held in Des Moines, Iowa in 1978. The sympathy of the Stockton Club is extended to his bereaved family.

## HORSESHOES DOWN UNDER

by Donnie Roberts

For some time I have been communicating with a group of horseshoe pitchers in Australia. It seems they have a lot of pitchers there. This week I received their request to become one of our sanctioned leagues. Welcome aboard Australia! Watch us grow! I think it would be nice if some of you could drop them a letter of welcome. The address is: Bennett D. Farnham, 83 Cypress Drive, Broadbeach Waters, Queensland, Australia 4217. Phone 52-3321.

The name of the club is Gold Coast Horseshoe Pitchers Club with Charles Adams as President, Harold Jones as Secretary. This group is going to introduce our sport to the entire Gold Coast and make it an official Australian sport. On behalf of the NHPA 'Good Luck' Gold Coast Club. On the lighter side I guess you know that in the Southern Hemisphere horseshoes turn counter-clockwise or maybe that is water running out of a bathtub.

We have another Club on another Island in Hawaii trying to get sanctioned at present. If you have any unsanctioned clubs in your area, drop me a note so I can work with them. Arizona has applied for a second charter with a third in the works. Watch the NHPA grow!

There are two brand new shoes being produced. The people who designed them will announce the availability when production is complete.

At present I am communicating with pitchers in West Germany. Mr. Klaus Horn is the man in charge. I received a letter from him today and the possibility of a sanctioned league there is looking good.

I wanted to mention that Las Vegas fully intends to host at least one tournament in 1984 and probably two. You sure missed a good one this year if you weren't there.

I also wanted to take this opportunity to remind you that I will seek re-election as NHPA Secretary-Treasurer at the convention in Huntsville.

## NEW SCHEDULE FOR PUBLISHING TOURNAMENTS

Beginning with this issue, all tournament schedules of state associations or others previously published once, will only be printed every other month. This directive comes from President Glen Portt, as a means of using more space for news items.

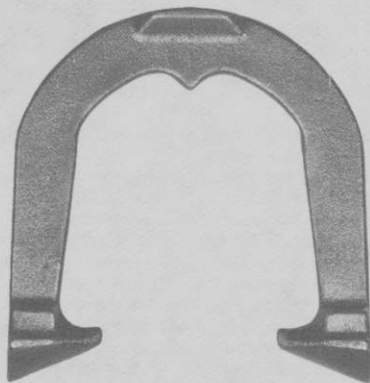
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COVER PICTURE. . . On November 26, 1983, Russell Gadoury (left) of Watertown, Mass. turned over his NHPA Sanctioned League program records and supplies to the new NHPA League Coordinator, Terrence Dougherty. Terry can be contacted for club and league information by writing to him at 9 Schiavone Drive, Ambler, Pa. 19002.

## NHPA PROMOTION COMMITTEE NEWS

DO YOU REMEMBER 25 YEARS AGO — 1959

By SOL BERMAN, Chairman

Ted Allen won the World Championship with a 35-0 record and an 84.4 ringer percentage. Fernando Isais, the 1958 titleholder was unable to defend his crown because of business duties at home.

Curt Day of Frankfort, Indiana finished in 8th place despite having an 80.4 ringer percentage. Vicki Chappelle, a 20-year old from Portland, Oregon won her third World Women's Championship.

Little Donnie Roberts, 15 years old won the Boys World Championship.

Thirty-four delegates from 15 states were seated at the NHPA Convention. There were none from the entire East Coast.

Archie Gregson, NHPA president, suggested that something should be done to help reimburse Ellis Cobb for his fine work in editing and publishing the Horseshoe Pitchers News Digest. At present, it is being done at cost and Ellis receives no remuneration for his work.

Above excerpts taken from the NHPA minutes of the Convention, 25 years ago.

## SPRINGER-ROBERTS CONCERNED ABOUT OUR YOUTH

As Secretary-Treasurer of the NHPA our low number of young people participating has always been of concern. Jack Springer and I have a proposal before the council which may help but in order to improve our youth program we need the help of all of you. I guess to evaluate ourselves we simply need to ask, "What have you or I done in the past year to help young people get involved in horseshoes?" The answer is probably our problem. Jack Springer has written down some ideas that I want to share with you. I will simply title his material:

### OUR YOUTH!!!! OUR FUTURE?????

1. I am sure you will all agree that the NHPA badly needs more junior boys and girl members! The help of all NHPA membership is needed to enlist more junior members for 1984. Horseshoe Clubs and their officers throughout the USA and Canada must put forth a special effort in 1984 to enroll more junior pitchers for our Association. Our NHPA officers, regional directors, state and club officers can help in building up our junior membership. A united effort by all of us, in a positive manner, is needed to build up and promote our junior boy and girl NHPA membership in 1984.

2. Our youth pitchers of 1984 and the next few years will be our adult men and women pitchers in the near future years.

3. In every state, county, city, town or village we must do this: (1) make plans to hold and promote — Learn to Pitch Horseshoe Clinics for Jr. Boys and Girls ages. (2) Our present members must instruct them (the juniors) on how to pitch horseshoes and how to keep score for horseshoe tournaments. (3) We must hold NOVICE horseshoe tournaments for juniors with awards for top pitchers. (4) Our present junior members can help and assist the adult members in our promotion and instruction clinics and novice tournaments. (5) The clinics and novice tournaments must be given advanced publicity by flyers and in local newspapers, radios and TV stations. Also flyers in our schools, business, malls and other business store locations.

4. We must promote junior boy and Girl horseshoes in our school systems home rooms and physical education classes; in boy and girl scout troops; in church youth groups; in our state and national agricultural departments; in national organizations - in schools - The American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (office — 1900 Association Drive, Reston, VA 22091); The National Recreation and Park Association (office — 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302). Most of States have a State Recreation and Park Societies, made up of members of the city and town Recreation and Parks Departments; most cities have Recreation and Park Departments and summer playground programs; in the YMCA; any and all youth organizations, etc.

5. We can transport the juniors to our courts, for clinics and tournaments, by cars, school

**YOUTH — (Continued)**

buses or recreation department buses, and we can build a court or two on the elementary school, Jr. High or Senior High School grounds. With courts on school grounds, junior tournaments can be promoted within the school or between schools.

6. Each of our Horseshoe Clubs should be willing to build a 30 foot court (blocks and stakes — 4 each) at one or more elementary or Jr. High School in your city, town or county, and donate a couple pair or more of horseshoes, the smaller - lighter horseshoe, to the school.

7. We could even start the younger pitchers in a Little League Horseshoe program! The pitching distance for all ages 6 years thru 11 years could be shortened to 15 or 20 feet and leave the 30 feet distance for ages 12 years to 17 years as it is now organized. Maybe a still smaller and lighter shoe can be built than the smaller shoe now available by one or two of the Horseshoe Companies.

8. Since money award prizes are forbidden for youth we could award more scholarships of money for future schooling at our state and local tournaments and as the NHPA does now and Springfield, MO is doing for the 1985 NHPA Tournament. More valuable money scholarship will help increase more interest in juniors and their parents participating in the NHPA Junior Horseshoe Program.

9. A parents association could be organized for the Youth Leagues to help out, for transportation, minor expenses, to raise money and public relations and backing for the Youth Horseshoe League or program.

10. In our promotion we must stress — that pitching Horseshoe is not only a lot of fun, but a great youth sport for good health and physical fitness for our youth!

11. All NHPA members, youth and adults, mail me any ideas you have on how we can build up our youth boy and girl membership! Also let us know of any good youth promotions you are doing now. Your ideas will help others. When you conduct any of the projects in paragraph 3, let me know your results! Our NHPA is now a successful organization, to make sure it will be successful in years to come is to build up our youth membership now — in 1984!

**NOTICE TO ILLINOIS TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS**

All tournament directors in Illinois are requested to send their tournament dates to Dean Conner, Rte. 1, Mode, Illinois 62444. Ph. 217-783-2672 so that he can get the Illinois schedule ready for publication.

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## HORSESHOES ON THE LAS VEGAS STRIP

by Bob Hughes and Carolyn Ferguson

December 11th thru 15th, 1983, this just might have been one of Horseshoe pitching's most important times. This was the week that the Superstars and Bright Lights of the Las Vegas Strip competed with the clang of Horseshoes, in what has been touted as being, the first one of an annual event which will lead the way to major sports status for horseshoe pitching. Teaming up with the NHPA officials, the executive staff of the Hacienda Hotel did indeed put on a major horseshoe pitching event. It was interesting, it was different, and it was mostly fun! Although pre-tournament publicity for the sport was good, it gave a starting date of December the 11th (there was no information sent to the contestants prior to the start of the tournament), but nothing actually happened until late afternoon, when registration was started, then a cocktail party following that evening, during which the NHPA Secretary Donnie Roberts outlined procedures for the next day's qualifying rounds. Although your entering percentage, as per your state record, was used to put you in a 6 man round robin for qualifying, the percentage which you would make in the qualifying games was the only one to be used to establish which class you would be pitching in for this tournament.

Donnie Roberts and Ralph Dykes did a fantastic job in setting up the classes as fair as possible. This was a difficult task due to the type of courts being used. All pitching was to be done on portable indoor practice courts (of the rubber mat, spring cushioned type). Most of the contestants had never seen these, let alone pitched on them before, and Donnie's job was to find out, at the outset just what type of horseshoe pitching was going to be done. The answer was soon apparent HORSESHOES were ROLLING, BOUNCING and FLYING everywhere, however everyone soon made a few adjustments and went on with the business of pitching horseshoes and trying to make as many ringers as possible stay on. Everyone's percentage suffered due to the courts. No one and I mean no one pitched their entering percentage the first day, the pitching did get better as the mats on the courts got more flexible. GOOD REGULATION COURTS ARE A MUST before this event will come up to the expectations of everyone.

There were 14 pitchers entered from Washington and Oregon. They all qualified as follows: Ben Wiedrich and Willard Napier Class A, Ray Sexton and Jerry Gorton Class C, Art Lund, Len Weisdepp and Ron Ferguson Class E, Bob Beesley and Bob Hughes Class F, Marv Herridge and Frank Green Class H, Skip Schilperoot Class I and Wendell Roberts Class J, Elaine Weisdepp. The only lady entered from Washington or Oregon was in Class A. After the qualifying percentages were established, classes were set up for the semi-finals. All contestants were rearranged into groups of 16, which were then sub-divided into 2 groups of 8 for round robin play (only 1 or 2 byes were necessary). The 2 groups of 8 were termed #1 and #2 for identification purposes only, they were actually equal in their qualifying percentages. In order to get into the finals you had to win one of the groups, or be one of the two top percentages from either group. (If there was a tie for 1st place in a group, there was no play-off, they had to take their chances against the others, and hope to make it on percentage.) There were only 4 finalists from each group of 16 pitchers. A lot of people felt there should have been more than the 4 in the finals. Five from our Washington, Oregon group made it to the finals. Wiedrich-Oregon class A percentage winner, Gorton-Oregon Class C percentage winner, Hughes-Washington Class F 1st place winner, Green and Herridge-Washington Class H percentage winners.

At the Awards Banquet Thursday evening, after the finals were pitched, cash awards were made to all finalists, with trophies going to 1st through 3rd places in all classes, as per NHPA rules. The banquet was good, more than 200 people were there. Good speakers presented a few jokes as well as some serious stuff about Horseshoe Pitching. The food was plentiful and good. All in all, we have to say that the plans and ideas presented by some expert Las Vegas promoters and NHPA officials may result in a much needed boost for our sport.

Donnie Roberts ran this tournament in an outstanding manner, everything was right on time, crowd control was good, and horseshoe pitchers from 21 states and Canada showed Las Vegas how to have good healthy fun.

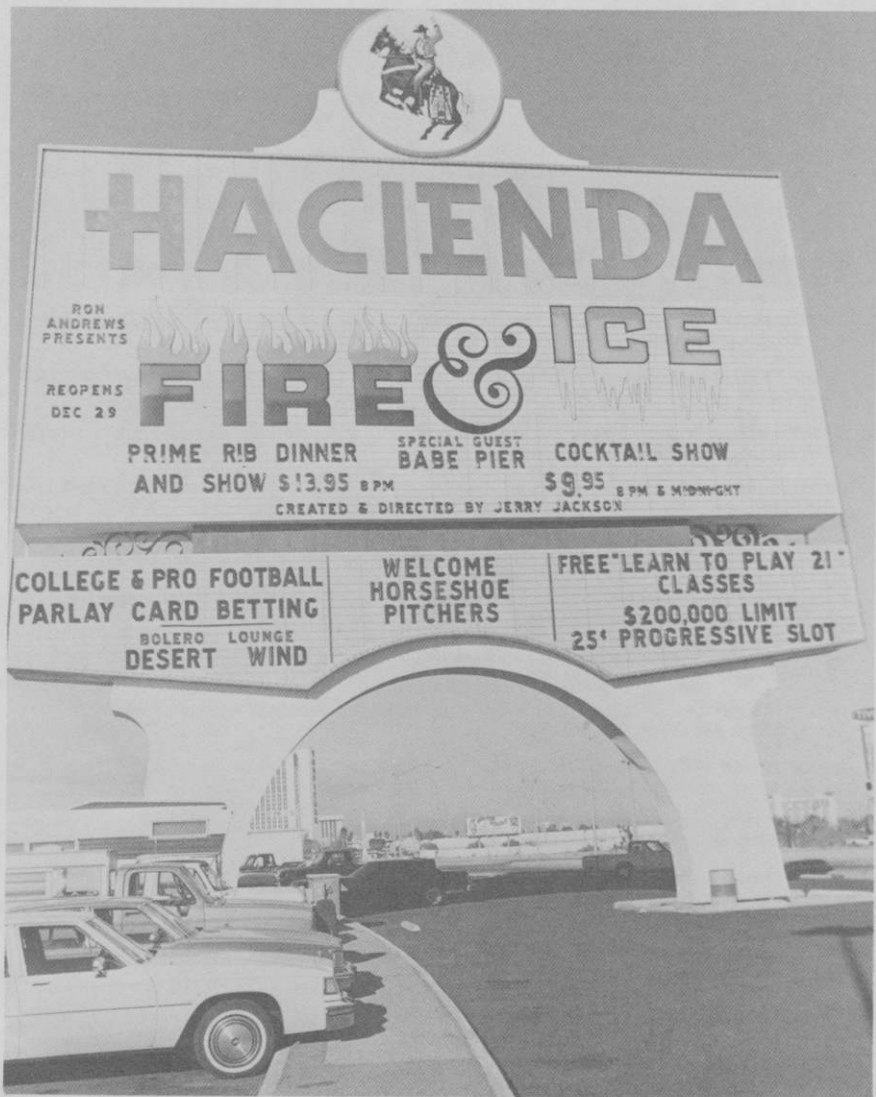
Here is how the pitchers from our group finished: Ben Wiedrich Class A - 3rd place \$500, Jerry Gorton Class C - 4th place \$50.00, Bob Hughes Class F - 2nd place \$150.00, Frank Green Class H - 1st place \$200.00, Marv Herridge Class H - 3rd place \$100.00 (not too bad for a bunch of webfeet).

The big money winners were Kevin Cone (a 21 year old sensation) from Iowa, and Lorraine Thomas from New York. The Men's World Champion Dale Lipovsky was eliminated in the semi-finals, while the Ladies World Champion Phyllis Negaard ended in second place after a 3-way play-off. Walter Ray Williams placed 2 in the men's Class A. We can be proud of Oregon's Ben Wiedrich, he was pitching against the best in the world and placed third. He gave Kevin Cone his toughest match.

We do hope Las Vegas fulfills its promises, for the future growth of Horseshoe Pitching.



# HACIENDA PHOTO EXTENDS WELCOME TO PRO/AM PITCHERS



## LAS VEGAS HACIENDA PRO/AM TOURNAMENT — DEC. 11-5

### PRELIMINARY ROUNDS

**GROUP 1 MEN** — Walter Ray Williams, Jr., CA, 4-1; Dale Lipovsky, MN, 4-1; Don Titcomb, CA, 3-2; Willard Napier, OR, 2-3; Ben Wiedrich, OR, 2-3; Richard Pintor, CO, 0-5.

**CLASS 3 MEN** — Garry Minnick, AZ, 4½-½; Kevin Cone, IA, 3-2; Glen Portt, GA, 2½-2½; Edward Domey, MA, 2-3; Leonard Lipovsky, MN, 2-3; Dave Loucks, CA, ½-4½.

**CLASS 3 MEN** — John Rademacher, FL, 4-1; Elwood Johnson, MN, 4-1; Orville Lokken, CA, 3-2; Richard Pintor, CO, 2-3; Chal Torrey, MI, 1-4; Bob Mauzey, FL, 1-4.

**GROUP 4 MEN** — Jeff Williams, CA, 4½-½; Paul Scheub, FL, 4-1; Floyd Hix, VA, 3-2; Byron Cork, NV, 2½-2½, Ron Ferguson, WA, 1-4; Gus Martin, NM, 0-5.

**GROUP 5 MEN** — Gene Fleek, KS, 5-0; Keith Harms, CA, 3-2; Stan Smith, TX, 3-2; Kent Anderson, CO, 2-3; Vince Satern, IA, 2-3; Lee Keefer, NV, 0-5.

**GROUP 6 MEN** — Bud Knudson, AZ, 5-0; Marvin Rehels, KS, 3-2; Jerry Gorton, OR, 3-2; Richard Gyorkos, MI, 2-3; Bob McGowan, CA, 2-3; Holland Payne, CA, 0-5.

**GROUP 7 MEN** — Harvey Robbins, CA, 4-1; Dean Zollinger, CA, 3-2; Arthur Schliske, WY, 3-2; Herbert Rushing, CA, 2½-2½; George Whittemore, CA, 2½-2½; A.W. Smith, CAN, 0-5.

**GROUP 8 MEN** — Louis Bensinger, IL, 4-1; Juke Basham, CA, 3-2; Chester Foster, IA, 3-2; Farrell Foster, IA, 3-2; Arthur Lund, OR, 1-4; Bob Hughes, WA, 1-4.

**GROUP 9 MEN** — Raymond Sexton, WA, 4-1; Robert Switzer, IL, 3-2; Vincent Mauricio, 3-2; Robert Harvey, TX, 2-3; Bob Beesley, OR, 2-3; Lester Grosenbach, CO, 1-4.

**GROUP 10 MEN** — George Schmidt, NE, 4-1; David Storck, CA, 3½-1½; Carl Grabow, CA, 2½-2½; Bill Cork, CA, 2-3; Norm Cone, CA, 2-3; Joe Zoglman, CA.

**GROUP 11 MEN** — Earl Pearce, KS, 4-1; Jim Eozzo, CA, 3½-1½; Frank Green, AZ, 2½-2½; Leonard Weisdepp, WA, 2-3; Leslie Burroughs, CA, 2-3; Elmer Schilperoot, WA, 1-4.

**GROUP 12 MEN** — George Nick, MN, 4-1; Carroll Cone, IA, 3-2; Harlan Jensen, NE, 3-2; Walt Foreman, CA, 2-3; Nober Zuniga, UT, 2-3; William Lawson, MA, 1-4.

**GROUP 13 MEN** — Floyd Edwards, CA, 5-0; Lyle Cottingham, CA, 4-1; Gail Campbell, CO, 2-3; Vernon Holland, IN, 2-3; Henry Reid, ID, 1-4; Earl Richardson, IN, 1-4.

**GROUP 14 MEN** — Paul Howard, MI, 4-1; Dale Witmer, IA, 4-1; Roy Teets, MI, 3-2; Leslie Stewart, CA, 2-3; Bill Paddock, CA, 2-3; Jim Larkin, MO, 0-5.

**GROUP 15 MEN** — George Christian, OH, 5-0; George Puskar, MI, 4-1; Glen Sandquist, MN, 3-2; Marvin Heridge, WA, 2-3; Henry Wozniak, MI, 1-4; Terry Mundy, CA, 0-5.

**GROUP 16 MEN** — Gil Pyle, CO, 5-0; Joseph Templeton, CA, 4-1; Will Gullickson, MN, 3-2; Darrell LaMoreaux, CA, 2-3; Steve Ruddock, CO, 1-4; Jim Toenjes, IL, 0-5.

**GROUP 17 MEN** — Paul Abernathy, CA, 5-0; David Klein, MN, 4-1; Joe Morgan, FL, 3-2; Harold Slagg, CA, 2-3; Doyle Brawley, CA, 1-4; Wayne Clark, IL, 0-5.

**GROUP 18 MEN** — Frank Koehler, IA, 5-0; Marvin Rickert, NE, 4-1; John Bukari, MI, 2-3; Ed Goeringer, CA, 1½-3½; Jerry Knight, CO, 1½-3½; Wilson Luhman, NV, 1-4.

**GROUP 19 MEN** — Henry Waltz, ND, 3½-1½; Larry Ford, CA, 3-2; Roland Jensen, MN, 3-2; Bert Charley, CA, 2-3; Robert Hummel, CAN, 2-3; Thomas McFarland, MI, 1½-3½.

**GROUP 20 MEN** — Don Weaver, NV, 4-1; Lyle Anderson, ID, 3-2; Joseph Dolter, IA, 3-2; Roy Jones, AZ, 2-3; Arthur Amador, CA, 2-3; Matthew Fields, MO, 1-4.

**GROUP 21 MEN** — Dennis Carlson, MN, 5-0; Al Price, NJ, 3-2; Tony Apodaca, ID, 2½-2½; Olon Crandall, ID, 2-3; Leonard Larson, IA, 1½-3½; Bruce Fries, CA, 1-4.

**GROUP 22 MEN** — Arnold Brassard, VT, 3½-1½; Earl Simler, IL, 3-2; Sam Williams, ID, 3-2; Roger Isenberg, MN, 2½-2½; Bert Mannix, MT, 2½-2½; Ray DeLude, NV, ½-4½.

**GROUP 23 MEN** — Edward Tymoszek, MI, 5-0; Vernor Olson, CO, 3-2; Willard James, IA, 3-2; Robert McGregor, IA, 2½-2½; Wally Shipley, CA, 1½-3½; Earl Johnson, FL, 0-5.

## PRO/AM TOURNAMENT — (Continued)

**GROUP 24 MEN** — Thomas Buck, CA, 4-1; Lyle Romuld, MN, 3½-1½; Slim Allen, IA, 3½-1½; Lavern Richard, WI, 3-2; Wendell Roberts, WA, 1-4; Joseph Meistas, NV, 0-5.

**GROUP 25 MEN** — James Dow, CA, 4-1; George Houtchens, MT, 3-2; Keith Fish, NE, 2½-2½; Everett Seaman, CA, 2-3; Earl Parsons, WY, 2-3; Carl Helm, MT, 1½-3½.

**GROUP 26 MEN** — Michael France, MN, 5-0; Harry Hegarty, IA, 3-2; Lynn Shepard, IA, 2-3; Leo Wanner, CA, 2-3; Robert Lloyd, CA, 2-3; Edwin Haupt, KS, 1-4.

**GROUP 27 MEN** — Wayne Minnick, AZ, 4-1; Vern Brightman, CA, 3½-1½; Lee Henninger, CA, 3-2; Jim Holder, TX, 2½-2½; Ray Vaughn, 0-5.

**GROUP 1 WOMEN** — Phyllis Negaard, MN, 4-1; Renee Hix, VA, 4-1; Lorraine Thomas, NY, 3-2; Sharon Paddock, CA, 2-3; Beverly Nathe, MN, 1-4; Sandy Karasch, MN, 1-4.

**GROUP 2 WOMEN** — Lois Bolstad, SD, 5-0; Yvonne Mauzey, CA, 4-1; Marisela Mauricio, CA, 2-3; Barbara Dow, CA, 2-3; Lynne Hughes, MN, 1-4; Elaine Weisdepp, WA, 1-4.

**GROUP 3 WOMEN** — Emalene Pearce, KS, 5-0; Joanne Wanner, CA, 4-1; Mary Van Sant, CA, 3-2; Jo Ann Lester, NM, 2-3; Betty McGregor, IA, 1-4; Jolene Metli, MN, 0-5.

**GROUP 4 WOMEN** — Dorothy Kanduth, MN, 4-1; Catherine Notch, MN, 4-1; Gwen Brightman, CA, 2-3; Josephine Charley, CA, 3-2; Velma Hegarty, IA, 1-4; Florence Morton, AZ, 1-4.

**GROUP 5 WOMEN** — Carol Toenjes, IL, 3½-1½; Ruth Anderson, ID, 3-2; Carrie Isenberg, MN, 2½-2½; Edith Zoglman, CA, 1-4.

**GROUP 6 WOMEN** — Mary Holder, TX, 5-0; Norma Beeson, NM, 2-3; Lillian Lloyd, CA, 0-5.

## RESULTS OF SEMI-FINALS

**CLASS A MEN** — Walter Ray Williams, Jr., CA, 7-0; Don Titcomb, CA, 6-1; Kevin Cone, IA, 6-1; Ben Wiedrich, OR, 6-1; Dale Lipovsky, MN, 6-1; Dave Loucks, CA, 2-5; Richard Pintor, CO, 5-2; Jeff Williams, CA, 2-5; Willard Napier, OR, 2-5; Glen Portt, GA, 4-3; Edward Domey, MA, 2-5; Dean Zollinger, CA, 2-5; Gary Minnick, AZ, 3-4; Paul Scheub, FL, 1-6; Orville Lokken, CA, 2-5; John Rademacher, FL, 0-7.

**CLASS B MEN** — Bud Knudson, AZ, 6-1; Harvey Robins, CA, 5-2; Herbert Rushing, CA, 3-4; Leonard Lipovsky, MN, 5-2; Earl Pearce, KS, 4-3; Byron Cork, NV, 3-4; David Storck, CA, 4-3; George Schmidt, NE, 5-2; Chal Torrey, MI, 2-5; Richard Gyorkos, MI, 1-6; Elwood Johnson, MN, 3-4; Louis Bensinger, IL, 4-3; Juke Basham, CA, 4-3; Keith Harms, CA, 3-4; Floyd Hix, VA, 3-4; Bill Cork, CA, 1-6.

**CLASS C MEN** — Kent Anderson, 7-0; Jerry Gorton, OR, 3-4; George Whittemore, CA, 4-3; Gene Fleek, KS, 3-4; Bob McGowan, CA, 4-3; Stan Smith, TX, 4-3; Chester Foster, IA, 4-3; Holland Payne, CA, 3-4; Robert Switzer, IL, 3-4; Carroll Cone, IA, 4-3; Raymond Sexton, WA, 4-3; Paul Howard, MI, 3-4; Farrell Foster, IA, 2-5; Floyd Edwards, CA, 3-4; Marvin Rehels, KS, 3-4; Thomas Buck, CA, 3-4.

**CLASS D MEN** — Darrell LaMoureaux, CA, 6-1; Jim Eozzo, CA, 6-1; Vince Satern, IA, 7-0; Gil Pyle, CO, 5-2; Joe Zoglman, CA, 5-2; Norm Cone, CA, 4-3; Edward Tymoszek, MI, 3-4; Lyle Cottingham, CA, 3-4; Walt Foreman, CA, 4-3; Carl Grabow, CA, 3-4; Joseph Templeton, CA, 2-5; Dale Witmer, IA, 4-3; George Nick, MN, 1-6; Harlan Jensen, NE, 2-5; Arnold Brassard, VT, 1-6; Steve Ruddock, CO, 0-7.

**CLASS E MEN** — Bob Mauzey, CA, 7-0; Vincent Mauricio, CA, 5-2; Arthur Schliske, WY, 3-4; Paul Abernathy, CA, 3-4; Leslie Stewart, CA, 5-2; Robert Harvey, TX, 4-3; Ron Ferguson, WA, 4-3; Don Weaver, NV, 4-3; Arthur Lund, OR, 4-3; David Klein, MN, 3-4; Leonard Weisdepp, WA, 2-5; Roy Teets, MI, 4-3; William Lawson, MA, 3-4; Will Gullickson, MN, 3-4; George Christian, OH, 1-6; Earl Simler, IL.

**CLASS F MEN** — Gus Martin, NM, 5-2; Gail Campbell, CO, 5-2; Bob Hughes, WA, 6-1; Roger Isenberg, MN, 3-4; Bob Beesley, OR, 3-4; Henry Reed, ID, 5-2; Glen Sandquist, MN, 3-4; Roy Jones, AZ, 3-4; Earl Richardson, IN, 3-4; George Puskar, MI, 5-2; Robert McGregor, IA, 4-3; Lyle Anderson, ID, 3-4; Joe Morgan, FL, 2-5; Joseph Dolter, IA, 3-4; Dennis Carlson, MN, 2-5; Lavern Richard, WI, 0-7.

**CLASS G MEN** — Keith Fish, NE, 6-1; James Dow, CA, 6-1; Roland Jensen, MN, 5-2; Thomas McFarland, MI, 4-3; Harold Slagg, CA, 4-3; Marvin Rickert, NE, 3-4; Al Price, NJ, 1-6; Henry Waltz, ND, 5-2; Bert Mannix, MT, 4-3; Wally Shipley, CA, 3-4; Sam Williams, ID, 5-2; Verner Olson, CO, 1-6; George Houtchens, MT, 4-3; Larry Ford, CA, 3-4; Arthur Amador, CA, 1-6; Lee Keefer, NV, 1-6.

**CLASS H MEN** — A.W. Smith, CAN, 7-0; Marvin Herridge, WA, 5-2; Tony Apodaca, ID, 5-2; Frank Green, AZ, 5-2; Leslie Burroughs, CA, 5-2; Wilson Luhman, NV, 3-4; Nober Zuniga, UT, 4-3; Vernon Holland, IN, 5-2; Earl Johnson, FL, 5-2; Bert Charley, CA, 4-3; Everett Seaman, CA, 2-5; Michael France, MN, 2-5; Lynn Shepard, IA, 2-5; Frank Koehler, IA, 1-6; Lyle Romuld, MN, 1-6; Bill Paddock, CA, 0-7.

## PRO/AM TOURNAMENT — (Continued)

**CLASS I MEN** — Lester Grosenbach, CO, 6-1; Doyle Brawley, CA, 7-0; Olon Crandall, ID, 4-3; Jerry Knight, CO, 6-1; Elmer Schilperoort, WA, 5-2; Leonard Larson, IA, 4-3; Matthew Fields, MO, 4-3; Carl Helm, CO, 2-5; Ed Goeringer, CA, 2-5; Jim Toenjes, IL, 4-3; Harry Hegarty, IA, 3-4; Slim Allen, IA, 2-5; Robert Hummel, CAN, 2-5; John Bukari, MI, 3-4; Leo Wanner, CO, 2-5; Willard James, IA, 0-7.

**CLASS J MEN** — Jim Larkin, MO, 4-1; Ray DeLude, NV, 4-1; Earl Parsons, WY, 7-0; Wayne Clark, IL, 5-2; Edwin Haupt, KS, 2-3; Henry Wozniak, MI, 5-2; Bruce Fries, CA, 2-3; Wayne Minnick, AZ, 3-4; Robert Lloyd, CA, 3-4; Joseph Meistas, NV, 2-3; Wendell Roberts, WA, 1-4; Lee Henninger, CA, 3-4; Jim Holder, TX, 2-5; Terry Mundy, CA, 0-7.

**CLASS A WOMEN** — Phyllis Negaard, MN, 7-0; Renee Hix, VA, 6-1; Lorraine Thomas, NY, 6-1; Sharon Paddock, CA, 5-2; Beverly Nathe, MN, 6-1; Yvonne Mauzey, CA, 5-2; Lois Bolstad, SD, 3-4; Emalene Pearce, KS, 4-3; Marisela Mauricio, CA, 3-4; Sandy Karasch, MN, 4-3; Lynn Hughes, MN, 2-5; Elaine Weisdepp, WA, 1-6; Mary Van Sant, CA, 0-7; Joann Wanner, CA, 2-5; Dorothy Kanduth, MN, 0-7; Barbara Dow, CA, 2-5.

**CLASS B WOMEN** — Jolene Metli, MN, 6-1; Carrie Isenberg, MN, 7-0; Gwen Brightman, CA, 4-3; Betty McGregor, IA, 5-2; Edith Zogelman, CA, 5-2; Jo Ann Lester, NM, 5-2; Velma Hegarty, IA, 5-2; Carol Toenjes, IL, 4-3; Mary Holder, TX, 4-3; Florence Morton, AZ, 2-5; Josephine Charley, CA, 3-4; Ruth Anderson, ID, 2-5; Catherine Notch, MN, 1-6; Lillian Lloyd, CA, 2-5; Norma Beeson, NM, 1-6.

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**CLASS B WOMEN** — Betty McGregor, IA; Jolene Metli, MN; Carrie Isenberg, MN; Gwen Brightman, CA.

## LATEST INFORMATION ON OHIO STATE INDOOR TOURNEY

The annual Ohio State Indoor tournament will get underway April 7-8 when the women's and Junior divisions take to the courts. Entry fee for the ladies will be \$10.00, while the Junior group will be free. Deadline for entries is April 1. Entry must include ringer percentage.

The men's classes will start on April 14 and 15. Entry fee of \$10.00 must accompany entry together with ringer percentage. Deadline is April 1. All entries both men, women and juniors should be sent to Bob Cummings, 4440 Foley Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45238. 1st and 2nd place awards in each class. Tournament is sanctioned and sponsored by the Ohio-Kentucky Horseshoe Club and played at the O.K. courts, 155 Dalton St., Cincinnati, Ohio 45214.

## RESULTS OF OHIO-KENTUCKY INDOOR TOURNEY ACTIVITY

In the Ohio-Kentucky indoor open held on Nov. 12-13 at the O.K. courts in Cincinnati, Ohio the following class winners were: **CLASS A** — G. Meece, 7-0-61.6; **CLASS B** — C. Henn, 5-2-58.5; **CLASS C** — A. Adams, 6-1-39.2; **CLASS D** — D. Humphry, 6-1-38.9; **CLASS E** — F. Hebel, 7-0-27.6; **CLASS F** — L. Glass, 5-2-35.0; **CLASS G** — K. O'Neil, 6-1-14.9.

**RESULTS OF NEW YEAR OPEN** — Jan. 14-15 — Cincinnati, OH — **CLASS A** — B. Henn, 6-1-58.9; **CLASS B** — J. Steele, 6-1-48.8; **CLASS C** — J. Henn, 5-2-53.5; **CLASS D** — B. Gibbons, 6-1-50.9; **CLASS E** — J. Reilly, 7-0-46.7; **CLASS F** — L. Voelker, 5-2-44.6; **CLASS G** — J. Morrison, 6-1-24.8; **CLASS H** — R. Ransick, 6-1-30.8; **CLASS I** — P. Gerretty, 7-0-20.2; **LADIES' CLASS** — R. Snider, 4-1-23.6.

## NEW SANCTIONED LEAGUE FORMED IN MOUNTAIN HOME, ARK.

William Weaver, formerly of Illinois, now a resident in Mountain Home, Arkansas in a letter to the Digest editor, reports that since moving to Arkansas, he has been successful in organizing a sanctioned league in Mountain Home. At present they have 20 pitchers participating each week. They have built 4 nice courts in the city park there equipped with lights. All members are retirees, however, many people that are at work during the day are able to pitch at night.

## RON FRAKES TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

by LEE ELBE, P.R. Director

Dear Horseshoe Pitchers, delegates and officers:

Here are a few things to look forward to in Springfield, Missouri.

1. The Shriners will help us for opening festivities, May 25th at 6:00 p.m. (This will be great.)
2. ABC, CBS and NBC will be covering the tournament, plus video taping and television by NBC, TV Channel 3.
3. You will receive free, a beautiful brochure with all the information on motels, restaurants, local points of interest and amusements too numerous to mention.
4. All the information you will need to plan your trip to Springfield for the 1985 World Tournament (INCLUDING Motel RATES for 1985). This brochure will also be passed out at the 1984 World Tournament in Huntsville, if for some reason or another you can't make this tournament. (See you there.)
5. The World's Women's Professional Pitchers Association will also be competing in this tournament.

There will be several council members, if not all, to call a special meeting with as many delegates who will be present to discuss future plans for the convention in Huntsville.

Howard Johnson Motor City will be your convention center for ALL horseshoe tournaments (you'll love it). Rates will appear in the next month's digest, along with camper and hook-up information.

This year's guaranteed prize is \$5,000 plus \$10.00 from each entry of \$15.00. Refer to your entry blank in this issue.

I will be back with more information next month. (IF YOU CAN'T PLAY, COME ANYWAY.)

**HOST FOR THE 1985 WORLD TOURNAMENT**

## NHPA MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

By HERMAN WIESER

HORSESHOE PITCHING HAS ENTERED A NEW PHASE — More persons than ever are participating in our favorite sport. In order to continue this trend, each one of us may be guided as follows:

1. Re-ignite the flame of enthusiasm which caused you to pitch horseshoes.
2. Get involved in other than pitching in tournaments to further the sport.
3. Encourage persons who "just want to watch" to try it... you'll like it.
4. Be proud that you've involved in horseshoes. Thousands of us are.
5. Get more fun out of the game, at any age, by using a handicap system which really works for all.
6. Display those trophies that you have won: after all, you earned them!
7. By your example, witness unto others and show them we mean business in the NHPA.
8. Resolve to teach at least five young persons to pitch horseshoes this year.
9. Encourage 10 persons to join your local club and then persuade them to sign up for the State and National Horseshoe Pitchers Association.
10. All of us are members, perhaps in other organizations, including religious groups... explain to those who would listen, the benefits derived from pitching horseshoes.
11. Present an image which is desirable, such as is so prevalent in other sports such as bowling, etc.
12. Indoor horseshoe courts are on the increase which will stimulate membership in the immediate future; be there!
13. The list of suggestions is endless. However, in conclusion may I paraphrase a great president "don't ask what the NHPA CAN DO FOR YOU, BUT WHAT CAN YOU DO FOR THE NHPA." LET US LINK THE U.S. AND CANADA WITH A CHAIN OF HORSESHOES.

Terrific publicity was received in the Sunday edition of January 8 in the "Post" which serves the huge city of West Palm Beach, Florida and vicinity showing the picture of Joe Theisman of the Washington Redskins football team pitching horseshoes during a practice break.

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 SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI MAY 25-31



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ENTRY FEE FOR ALL ADULT DIVISIONS - \$15.00. NO ENTRY FEE FOR JUNIOR BOYS OR JUNIOR GIRLS. \$10.00 OF EACH ENTRY RETURNED TO PRIZE FUND. 1984 NHPA CARDS REQUIRED FOR ALL ENTRANTS. WOMEN'S DIVISION WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE WOMEN'S PROFESSIONAL HORSESHOE PITCHER'S ASSOCIATION. YOU NEED NOT BE A MEMBER OF THE WHPA TO ENTER. PRELIMINARIES WILL BE HELD IN THE WOMEN'S AND UPPER CLASSES OF MEN'S DIVISIONS. SENIORS MUST BE AT LEAST 60 YEARS OF AGE AND PITCH 40 FEET. JUNIORS CANNOT BE 17 BEFORE JAN. 1, 1984. YOU MAY ENTER ONLY ONE DIVISION. CIRCLE THE DIVISION ENTERED.

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ALL ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY APRIL 23, 1984 AND BE MAILED TO: EARL WINSTON, RT.2, LaMONTE, MISSOURI 65337. ENTRY FEE MUST BE ENCLOSED. ALL ENTRANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED OF THEIR TIME TO PITCH.

TOURNAMENT SITE - THE REPAIR SHOP HORSESHOE COURTS, 2435 SOUTH CAMPBELL, SPRINGFIELD, MO. GUARANTEED \$5,000.00 PRIZE FUND. MEN'S 1st. PLACE - \$750.00. WOMEN'S 1st. PLACE - \$500.00. JUNIOR WINNERS WILL RECEIVE \$200.00 SCHOLARSHIP. (PROPER DRESS REQUIRED)

### SPOTLIGHT ON THE LADIES

By BONNIE SEIBOLD — 4th V.P.

I would like to put the spotlight on Deborah Michaud in this article. Debbie is a true champion on and off the courts. She greets everyone with that friendly smile and bubbling personality.

Debbie is married to husband Leo and is the mother of a daughter Shawneen and a son Hans.

She won the World Championship in 1977 and has been Mass. state champ eleven times. She finished fifth in this years world tournament with an 81.1 ringer average.

Debbie first got interested in horseshoe in 1970 when she joined a league team in Keene, New Hampshire. The first local tournament she entered she got beat every game. That's when Debbie got down to business and started practicing at home in her back yard. She set goals for herself and reached them. Then set more. Success in reaching those goals is one of the emotional benefits of pitching horseshoes, Debbie said, along with the friendships gained. Other

benefits are physical and mental. Walking, bending and throwing are good exercise. Mental benefits are derived from the attainment of skill, technique and concentration.

We are very proud to have Debbie as our President of The Women's Professional Horseshoe Pitching Association.

Some of her hobbies are softball, bowling and hiking.

Debbie is a champion in caring for the sick as well, she is a Registered Nurse at Morton Hospital in Taunton, Mass.



### NHPA PROMOTION COMMITTEE

By SOL BERMAN

BY-LAWS — ARTICLE 3, Section 5 — In any tournament, ties between contestants for first place shall be settled by play-off. Other ties will be settled by percentage and/or total points.

At the 1983 convention a motion was made to delete — "or total points." The delegates voted not to delete "or total points."

If the delegates had spent five minutes to consider why "or total points" should be deleted, they would have voted to delete it.

EXAMPLE: Joe McCrink, Jr. won the New Jersey State title with an 11-1 record and a 70.5 ringer percentage. I had a 10-2 record. Joe had a total point count of 568, while I had a total point record of 576 with a 60.2 ringer percentage.

Note total points has nothing to do with how well a pitcher pitched. It represents how well one's opponent pitched.

If I pitch 80 percent and my opponent pitches 100 percent I will not score any points.

Total points are only important when the Count-All system is used.

### STEINFELDT TOPS LAKE WORTH, FLA. SANCTIONED TOURNEY

Carl Steinfeldt, former World Champion, and many times state champion of his home state of New York and in the last three years Florida State Champion, tacked on another title as he won the Lake Worth sanctioned tournament held at the Bryant Park courts in Lake Worth on December 28th. His high game was 79.2.

**CLASS A** — Carl Steinfeldt, Clearwater, 7-0-62.9; Chick Hilton, Miami Beach, 6-1-51.0; Wily Wilbur, Lake Worth, 5-2-49.0.

**CLASS B** — Herman Wieser, Lake Worth, 4-1, declared winner, having defeated his opponent in regular play; Bob Powell, West Palm Beach, 4-1; Mertz Koski, Lake Worth, 3-2.

**CLASS C** — Jim White, Lake Worth, 5-2; declared winner as having defeated both of his opponents in regular play; Bob Hughes, Lake Worth, 5-2; Fred Northern, Eustis, 5-2.

**CLASS D** — Paul Scialoia, Lake Worth, 7-0; Don Biesendorfer, Boynton Beach, 6-1; Fred Kozlof, Lake Worth, 4-3.

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**REFER TO PAST ISSUES FOR ADDITIONAL COMING EVENTS**

## ELMER, THE GREAT

(excerpts from Des Moines, Iowa Register & Green Bay, Wis. Press-Gazette, July 29 & 30, 1978)  
"The World Horseshoe Pitching Championship begins here (Des Moines) Monday but defending champion Elmer Hohl refuses to practice.

"I never have practiced and I never will," says the 59-year-old farmer from Wellesley, Ontario. "The way I see it, horseshoe pitching should be fun."

Nevertheless, Hohl is one of the most amazing pitchers in the sport's long history. If you put a chair over the stake, he will throw a ringer around each leg and then throw another around the stake. If you tie a bunch of balloons to the stake, he will pick them off, one at a time.

Once a beer company asked Hohl if he could throw a ringer around a bottle of their product for a television commercial. "You can stand just out of camera range," the advertising man said. But Hohl moved back 40 feet, the standard pitching distance, and hung a ringer on the bottle on his first try.

In sanctioned contests, Hohl does equally well. He has won the men's title in World Championship six times. In 1968 he threw ringers 88.5 percent of the time — a record for the world tournament. On the way to that average he tossed a perfect game (100 percent ringers) — something that had only been done once before in the World Championships and has not been done since.

"I don't need to practice because, basically, horseshoe pitching is a matter of strength," notes Hohl. "The hardest part is simply lasting through World Championship tournament. I guess we'll throw at least 3,000 shoes before we leave Des Moines."

Yet he says that he can feel himself slowing down. He is now in the process of turning his farm over to his son, who will be the fifth Hohl to raise crops on the same land. And he wonders how long he can hold off the younger generation of pitchers who, he says, are probably the best ever.

"When I entered my first World Championship in 1960," Hohl recalls, "you could win with a ringer average of 75 percent. Now you need 85 or 86 percent. No doubt about it, the players are tougher."

Hohl began pitching horseshoes as a youngster. The first shoes he threw were actually equine footwear — not the competitive "throwing" shoe that virtually all serious practitioners of the sport use today.

He did not enter organized competition until he was 39. "I didn't know there was such a thing as big-time horseshoes," Hohl says. "Then I beat this fella who claimed to be a big-time horseshoe pitcher."

Hohl says he doubts there are any horseshoe hustlers, because the game does not attract a betting crowd.

"It's fun and it's a great game but there is no money in it," says Hohl. "A guy is lucky if he can make expenses. That's a great shame too, because pitching horseshoes requires a great deal of skill."

Pressed on the point, Hohl will admit that a man of his skill could indeed make a little money in a betting game.

It seems a group of doctors had a summer retreat where, on occasion, they pitched some horseshoes. A couple of the doctors were consistent winners. A doctor friend arranged to take Hohl, then defending world champion, to the place where the games were played. Hohl was introduced as "Dr. Gill," and was paired with his friend against the other two doctors.

Hohl was perfectly terrible in the warmups. "We blew the first couple of games," said Hohl. "We finally played a game for \$2 and lost. I was throwing the shoes so they didn't open at the stake."

Hohl said a second money game was arranged for \$3 and this time he pitched a little more skillfully, but still lost.

Now, said Hohl, they were ready for the sting. A \$10 game was arranged.

Hohl pitched two straight ringers. "The guy told me later he knew right then he'd been had," said Hohl.

But to really rub it in, Hohl tossed ringers steadily until the game was called.

Hohl's doctor friend was gleeful at what he had pulled off. One of the losers pulled out a cigar and Hohl offered his lighter. The lighter had an inscription: "Elmer Hohl, World Champion."

Marvin Falk of Roseville, Michigan had this to say:

"Each year, Michigan and Ontario, Canada hold a "Friendship Tournament." The top 12 Canadian and Michigan men, along with 6 such women players, hold a round robin tournament. One year it is held in Wellsley, Canada, and the next year at a Michigan site. A large traveling trophy is awarded to the winning team. Needless to say, Elmer Hohl has been the dominant pitcher from Canada. A few years ago, I asked Elmer: "Why don't you take it easy on our Michigan men?" Elmer's reply was, "I do, I keep the games short."

Being a low average pitcher myself, I also asked Elmer: "How do you throw so many ringers?" His reply: "Throw the shoe far enough, straight enough and open the shoe at the stake." Sounds reasonable, doesn't it?



## BONNIE SEIBOLD CANDIDATE FOR RE-ELECTION AS NHPA 4th VICE-PRESIDENT

I will be a candidate for re-election at the 1984 NHPA Convention in Huntsville, Alabama. Your support will be greatly appreciated. Being an active pitcher, I feel this makes me aware of the needs and desires of the pitchers.

I have enjoyed serving the past 6 yrs. as one of your V. Pres. I feel the past 6 years experience would be very beneficial if I were re-elected.

I have in the past voted for the best interest of the NHPA and would continue to do so if re-elected.

A little information about myself:

I have been married to Curley Seibold for 31 years. We have three children — Paris and Mark Seibold and Bonita Price. We have three grandchildren, Adam and Eric Price and Kelli Seibold.

For the past 18 years I have been a secretary for the Huntington County Community School Corp. In June of 1983, I retired from that position so I will have more time to devote to NHPA work.

I have also served as Sec. and Treas. for the Indiana Association of the NHPA in the past.

I was highly honored in 1976 by being inducted into the NHPA Indiana Hall of Fame.

I ask for your support in my re-election as your NHPA 4th Vice Pres.

Sincerely,  
Bonnie Seibold

## HUNTINGDON, PA. SPORTSMAN SHOW OPEN, APRIL 28

The first tournament in 40 years will be held in conjunction with the Sportsman Show at the Huntingdon County Fair Grounds in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania on Saturday, April 28. In case of rain it will be Sunday, April 29.

A total of \$250.00 in prizes is being given. There will be a small entry fee. The Juniors will pitch 30 feet. Juniors must be 17 and under and there will be no entry fee charged for Juniors. For further information contact Dean Mayes, Box 3, Mayes St., Pine Grove Mills, Pa. 16868. Ph: 814-237-7210.

## LAS VEGAS WINNER TO BE AT VALLEY OF THE SUN OPEN

Bud Fenimore, secretary of the Arizona Association states that Kevin Cone who won first place in the Las Vegas Pro/Am tournament held at the Hacienda Hotel, Dec. 11-15 will be entered in the Valley of the Sun Open to be held at the Pioneer Park courts in Tucson, Arizona on February 14-19. Don Titcomb will be there to defend his title.



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**CLASS A** — Gary Minnick, Tucson, AZ, 5-0-63.7; Bob Bates, Tucson, AZ, 4-1-56.7; Dennis Cramer, Tempe, AZ, 3-2-59.9.

**CLASS B** — Barney Gardner, Glendale, AZ, 5-0-48.2; Lou Saltus, Mesa, AZ, 4-1-35.2; Floyd Voyce, Apache Junction, AZ, 3-2-35.9.

**CLASS C** — Jim McKissack, Phoenix, AZ, 5-2-42.3; Dale Arionus, Yuma, AZ, 5-2-41.8; Sam Finrock, Wellton, AZ, 4-3-39.4.

**CLASS D** — Harold Perry, Mesa, AZ, 6-0-35.5; Mel Larkins, Jr., Tucson, AZ, 5-1-31.3; Terry Lievrouw, Florence, AZ, 4-2-38.4.

**CLASS E** — Francis Nelson, AZ, 4-2-27.6; Noah Helner, Yuma, AZ, 4-2-26.2; Glen Killingsworth, Tucson, AZ, 4-2-26.1.

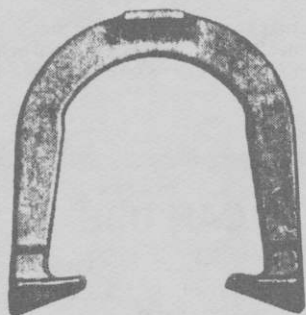
**CLASS F** — Don Ehlenberg, Tucson, AZ, 6-0-25.2; Jim Eschbacher, Tucson, AZ, 4-2-28.0; E.J. Nelson, Phoenix, AZ, 3-3-20.7.

**CLASS G** — Gene Haynes, Phoenix, AZ, 5-1-18.3; Paul Jamrog, Phoenix, AZ, 4-2-14.7; Lester Resseguie, Cottonwood, AZ, 3-3-16.0.

**LADIES CLASS A** — Teresa Lievrouw, Florence, AZ, 6-0-41.0; Donna Taylor, Yuma, AZ, 4-2-30.1; Carol Larkins, Tucson, AZ, 2-4-22.9.

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By NORM GASEAU, 2ND V.P.

This story about Curley Seibold (Bonnie's husband and Mark's father) is one that needs to be told. Reluctantly, Curley sent it to me. His story is as follows:



"I went into the Air Force on Feb. 5, 1943 and after basic training, gunnery school and radio school, I was assigned to a B-17 Bomber Crew and sent to England to serve with the 94th Bomb Group, a part of the 8th Air Force, 331st squadron.

I had flown 17 missions with my original crew but on Mission #18 I was assigned to another crew because they were short a crew member. This was on Oct. 5 and we were to bomb Munster, Germany. Our plane was hit by flak, caught fire and we were forced to bail out. Our co-pilot was killed and I had a piece of shrapnel in my left foot which earned me a "Purple Heart."

German storm troopers captured me and sent me to Frankfurt, then to Gros Tychow where we stayed until Feb. 6, 1945. We were told the Russians were getting close and we evacuated the camp and walk from East to West and were close enough to hear the English guns in the distance. They turned us around and we headed East. After 3 days, I and a "Buddy" from Nebraska escaped. We were caught twice by

members of a Hungarian Army who were wearing white arm bands and enroute to surrender. They had us write a note to the English telling them our location, how many men, etc. On April 13, the tanks rolled in. We rode the tanks to the next town, got a car and drove it to Brussels, Belgium. We were shortly on our way home, by way of France to England and finally the U.S.

I lost track of my original crew but recently learned there was a 94th Bomb Group Memorial Assn. paper published every four months to which I subscribed. This paper lists all of the names and addresses of the 94th Bomb Group. I found some of my original crew listed and called a couple of them — one of which was my pilot. He was really surprised to hear from me, for he thought I was dead. We are looking forward to seeing each other soon at a reunion being held.

I don't know what happened to the men I got shot down with. After we were captured, we were sent to different places."

The next time you pitch horseshoes with Curley, give him an extra hand shake — he deserves it!

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## DAVIDSON, MARYLAND SANCTIONED LEAGUE FINALE

The Davidsonville Horseshoe Club ended its 1983 doubles league with a total of 32 active pitchers. We expect to have 40 for the coming year, with the interest in horseshoe pitching picking up in this area. The results of the 1983 league are as follows: Ted Simmons-Don Gregory took first place with 38 wins, 13 losses. Charles Clow and Jay Clow tied Phil Clow and Dave Nehring for second with 37 wins, 14 losses. Charles and Jay took second place trophy with a one game pitch off. High ringer game award went to Ken Stormer and John Buckmaster for 20 out of 30. High ringer match went to John Buckmaster also for 59 out of 90. Most improved in the club was Dave Nehring, who increased from 36.5 to 45.9 at year's end.

The club is looking forward to the coming year, and to hosting it's first tournament in early June. All pitchers in this area, be looking for our tournament flyer.

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The Horseshoe Pitchers News Digest  
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January 1, 1984

Dear Mr. Cobb,

I've been a member of the NHPA and a subscriber to the Digest for over 10 years. I've enjoyed the Digest all this time mainly (and sentimentally) to keep up with fellow pitchers I've made friends with across the miles.

Your new policy of publishing only the names of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners of each class is disappointing to me; I wonder about 'this person' and 'that person' whose names I don't see, have they dropped out, dropped dead, or just had a bad tournament.

I'm reminded of Theodore Roosevelt's saying, "It is hard to fail, but it is worse never to have tried to succeed." Let's give the losers the benefit of the doubt. Let's face it — most of us are on an "ego trip." Let's encourage it with good "PR" by printing the complete results.

How about the Juniors and all the beginners. We'll never know how many have been challenged to stick with it and improve their game after seeing the published results in a national magazine.

I feel the Executive Council has given the Digest a "heart attack" with the three top finishers ruling. Time will tell how it will affect the subscriptions.

Let's start publishing complete tournament results and raise the subscription price to \$12 a year and call it just plain good public relations! Subscribers would still get a good buy.

Sincerely,  
Arnie Coleman

News Digest  
P.O. Box 1606  
Aurora, IL 60507

Dear Ellis:

Just to let you know Ellis, that here in Houston we enjoy your News Digest. We look forward to reading all the news each month.

Since our club has hosted many of the world champions for the Houston Rodeo the last two years, we look forward to reading about their activities.

My wife, Dolores and I are originally from St. Louis and Brussels, Ill. So we had the honor to keep Vicki Winston at our house during the Rodeo Tournaments. She's the best!

We in Texas are excited about the World Tournament coming to Springfield. The central location will be great.

Congratulations on a job well done.

Best regards,  
Jerry Zigrang, Pres.

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Dear Mr. Cobb,

It makes me sad to think we may lose subscribers to the Digest due to the Executive Council's ruling of listing only the top three places of each class.

I too would like to know how my friends across the country are pitching. Also, the pitcher who does not win very often and the beginning pitcher would like to see his or her name appear in the national magazine.

The Horseshoe Pitcher's News Digest plays a major role in the communication and publicity of our sport. I hope other pitchers will voice their opinion on this matter.

Sincerely,  
Jim H. Shilling  
Regional Director, Indiana

**KAHLE WINS OKLAHOMA STATE AT PONCA CITY, SEPT. 3**

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Due to the Oklahoma Association's state secretary moving out of the jurisdiction he did not send in the state results. It was necessary to appoint someone else to do the job — thus the late report.

Jerry Kahle of Bartlesville won his second straight Oklahoma state title in the 1983 state tournament held at Ponca City, Okla. Sept. 3, 1983. Janet Walrod won her 8th Women's championship. Harold Crist won the Senior Men's title. John Holland and Donna Walrod won their first junior titles. This is the first time that Oklahoma has had a mother and daughter winning state titles. Class D ended in a four-way tie for first place, with Melburn Hutchinson finishing in fourth place after the play-off.

**CLASS A MEN** — Jerry Kahle, 6-1-55.3; Bud Hamilton, 5-2-51.2; Larry Fordyce, 4-3-47.4.

**CLASS B MEN** — Ronnie Frederick, 5-0-52.4; Charlie Brewer, 4-1-52.4; Buford Rhodes, 2-3-49.2.

**CLASS C MEN** — Ronnie Brunk, 5-0-42.4; Tom Goff, 3-2-40.4; Bob Belden, 3-2-30.4.

**CLASS D MEN** — Jim Crockett, 7-2-39.7; Charles Henderson, 7-2-33.8; J.C. Diedrich, 7-2-37.5.

**CLASS E MEN** — Fred Holland, 4-1-21.2; Skeeter Smith, 4-1-22.4; Tobe Tuck, 3-2-25.2.

**CLASS F MEN** — Amos Edwards, 7-0-16.4; Ron Brewer, 5-2-22.5; Gordon Epps, 4-3-22.1.

**CLASS G MEN** — Billy Brumbaugh, 6-0-16.2; Alan Cook, 5-1-17.0; Kenneth Stidam, 4-2-11.2.

**SENIOR MEN** — Harold Crist, 5-1-36.0; Bill Thompson, 4-2-33.0; Charlie Bailey, 2-4-33.0.

**CLASS A WOMEN** — Janet Walrod, 6-1-56.8; Lynda Frederick, 6-1-42.3; Debra Frederick, 5-2-53.2.

**CLASS B WOMEN** — Norma Hoyer, 3-1-13.0; Sue Tune, 2-2-16.0; Teresa Burk, 1-3-6.0.

**JR. BOYS** — John Holland, 5-0-37.5; Seth Maixner, 3-2-37.0; Glenn Holland, 3-2-29.0.

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## MT. PLEASANT, UTAH CLUB ENDS 1ST SANCTIONED YEAR

The winners of our first year in league play was M AND N SERVICE with a win loss record of 40 wins 25 losses and 6 ties .605. members of the team are Captain Vernile Shelley (Mt. Pleasant) UTAH HALL OF FARMER WILFORD ANDELIN (MT. PLEASANT) and Ervin Shelley (Fairview).

Second place: Alpine Land Surveyors with Captain; Steve Kennedy (mt. Pl.) Gary Potter (Mt. Pl.) and Gary Gilbert (Mt. Pl.) 32 wins 27 losses 12 ties. .535. Third place Mansion House Studio of Photography-Zabriskie Shoe Repair. Team members Captain: Dennis Andelin (Mt. Pl.) Gail Zabriskie (Mt. Pl.) and Boyd Johnson, Mt. Pl. Fourth place: Martin Marietta Captain; Robert Tibbs (Indiana) Don Howell (Mt. Pl.) and Rod Bowers (Mt. Pl.)

Our sanctioned league was a great success for our first year in the NHPA. We very much enjoyed the format of the league and will be forming teams for spring play soon.

We have 8 new courts here and they are beautiful. Our specialist is Wilford Andelin who has put countless hours of work into our courts, his latest project has been putting a fence up. (so the courts will be totally professional). He is a very dedicated horseshoe pitcher and has been the backbone to getting the program started in Mt. Pleasant. He placed 2nd in the UTAH STATE SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIP as well as winning several other tournaments during the year. His hard work and dedication will be and is appreciated by all of us and those future horseshoe pitchers in the years to come. THANKS WILFORD!

We have also had a lot of support from the local businesses and the city council which gave us the ground in the city park for our courts.

Our most improved player is Don Howell. We are very proud of Don for winning this prestigious award. Don also won his first championship this year in tournament play.

Gary Gilbert was voted the sportsmanship award by the members of the club and also won high game, scratch, high game over average, and high game over handicap.

High average was won by Wilford Andelin and our league class champs are: Class A, Dennis Andelin and Class B, Robert Tibbs.

We wish to express our thanks to Dennis Ohms of Cedar City, Utah for his help in getting our league started and answering our many questions.

We also wish to thank Russell Gadoury for his great work as league coordinator, and the NHPA for allowing us to be a part of this great organization. We look forward to our next year and for many years of affiliation with NHPA and sanctioned league program. — by Gary Gilbert, President.

## 1983 MARYLAND STATE — SEPT. 3-4 FREDERICK, MD.

The 1983 Maryland State tournament was held in Frederick, Md. Sept. 3-4 and was the largest ever held in the state drawing 113 pitchers from all over the state including 13 juniors and 12 women. A doubles tournament followed the singles event.

In the men's division the winner once again this year was Grant Powers of Baltimore, Md. In his final game of a 12 man round robin Grant started off with 18 straight ringers and had his opponent 36-0. Since the game only went to 40 points he was only 4 away from a perfect game. But he "accidentally" threw one off to the right and then off to the left, and his opponent scored.

The Frederick Horseshoe Pitchers Association would like to thank all who worked so hard during this tournament and a special thanks to the club president Diane Davis, and vice-president Phil Davis.

**CLASS A** — Grant Powers, 66.0; Elbert Shifflet, 54.1; Fred Beeman, 52.8.

**CLASS B** — Eric Zimmerman, 51.1; Charles Beachley, 46.8; Ray Matlock, 44.4.

**CLASS C** — Phil Fleshman, 47.6; Gene May, 47.2; Jack Blades, 35.9.

**CLASS D** — Dave Heatherly, 39.8; Ted Simmons, 36.8; Al Wastler, 34.5.

**CLASS E** — Butch Mentzer, 31.8; Wayne Warfield, 32.8; Bob Draper, 40.0.

**CLASS F** — Clay Horton, 36.7; Frank Lawson, 30.3; Len Cross, 24.7.

**CLASS G** — Dave Young, 34.0; Jim Ward, 21.8; Eino Wittala, 28.0.

**CLASS H** — Earl Shaner, 28.0; Ron Scott, 30.5; George Blickenstaff, 15.5.

**LADIES DIVISION** — Ann Anderson, 39.2; Diane Davis, 39.4; Hazel Fleshman, 41.6; Nancy Baker, 24.9; Lorraine Clow, 23.4.

**JUNIORS DIVISION** — Steve Nehring, 48.7; Steve Fleshman, 30.3; Curtis Fleshman, 22.3; Fred Beeman, Jr., 20.5; Charles Metz, Jr., 17.8.

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## LACROSSE 1983 COLO. CHAMP — SEPT. 3-4 FT. COLLINS

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Due to the Colorado state results not being in order in the way that each player finished, the results were sent back to the secretary to be re-worked. They are now in order for publication.

**CLASS A** — Paul LaCrosse, 11-0-72.9; Jim Tulk, 9-2-69.4; Dick Wetherbee, 9-2-65.1.

**CLASS B** — Ben Fields, 9-2-55.6; Bob Jacobson, 7-4-47.2; Duane Tarket, 6-5-53.5.

**CLASS C** — Dave Evans, 10-1-47.2; Gordon Kashner, 9-2-50.6; Oney Sanchez, 9-2-45.7.

**CLASS D** — Ron VanLeuvan, 11-0-44.9; Glen Robeck, 7-4-42.0; Chuck Nobles, 7-4-41.8.

**CLASS E** — Charlie Bednarz, 10-2-40.1; Bob Hartley, 10-3-39.8; Ed Knaub, 9-3-34.5.

**CLASS F** — Bob Garcia, 10-1-37.3; Jerry Knight, 7-4-30.5; Dick Morse, 6-5-29.9.

**CLASS G** — Star Dearing, 10-1-34.7; Jim Wyss, 8-3-30.3; Jim Hult, 8-3-28.0.

**CLASS H** — Leo Huls, 7-3-20.5; Dave Frias, 5-4-19.9; Jamie Lapceovich, 5-4-19.2.

**CLASS I** — Jerry Burgess, 6-1-19.2; Jeff Ruddock, 5-2-11.9; Terry Stencel, 4-2-23.8.

**WOMEN'S CLASS A** — Margaret Tarket, 10-0-63.6; Sadie Sanchez, 6-4-58.7; Janie Thompson, 5-5-48.6.

**WOMEN'S CLASS B** — Tammy Thomas, 6-1-32.3; Betty Lohry, 5-2-31.2; Sue Obluda, 5-2-30.0.

**JUNIORS** — Rick Griego, 4-2-33.0; Gib Pyle, 3-3-32.6; Luke Weith, 2-4-30.1.

## STEINFELDT RETURNS TO COURTS — WINS OWN TOURNAMENT

Even though Earle Morris (Gray Fox) managed to be the best camera shot at the 17th annual Steinfeldt Open tournament played at the Ed Wright park courts in Clearwater, Florida on December 3, 1983, it was Carl Steinfeldt showing a good recovery after a 5 month absence from the courts by posting a 6-0-78.8 record to win the title. His high single game was 84.0. Ann Wedel, Michigan Ladies champion, pitching in the men's class had a 2-4-53.7 record.

**CLASS A** — Carl Steinfeldt, Clw., 6-0-78.8; Levi Miller, Sarasota, 4-2-65.0; Chet Reel, Holiday, 4-2-69.6; Henry Hosteller, Sarasota, 3-3-66.2; Ann Wedel, Mich., 2-4-53.7; Dike Thatcher, Brooksville, 1-5-55.7; Joe Holland, Clw., 1-5-48.0.

**CLASS B** — Ed Schultz, Sarasota, 5-1-61.4; Bob Dean, Clw., 4-2-62.4; Paul Scheub, Sarasota, 4-2-48.3; Len Robinson, Ruskin, 3-3-50.7; Gene Rademacher, Dover, 3-3-60.0; Wes Gore, Ga., 1-5-41.9; Walt Pichard, Zephyrhills, 1-5-45.1.

**CLASS C** — Gib Bancroft, Moore Haven, 5-1-59.3; Bob Widdersheim, Clw., Earle Morris, Tampa, 3-3-52.8; Cliff Madren, Orlando, 3-3-53.1; Richard Ferguson, Sarasota, 3-3-47.8; Ray Arthur, St. Pete, 2-4-51.1; Norman Hahn, Clw., 46.0.

**CLASS D** — Joe West, Winter Haven, 6-0-48.0; Dick Senger, Winter Haven, 4-2-46.4; Frank Toal, Tarpon Sprgs., 3-3-40.2; Ken Reeb, Winter Haven, 3-3-43.0; Marvin Glass, Clw., 3-3-33.7; Bill Roach, Clw., 1-5-37.0; Wm. Wicker, Moore Haven, 1-5-41.6.

**CLASS E** — Sparky Hall, Hernando, 4-1-49.5; Maurice Rodocker, Bradenton, 4-1-43.0; Mel Ringger, Ruskin, 3-2-40.6; Gene Bennett, Tarpon Sprgs., 3-2-45.6; Don Knotts, Orange Park, 1-4-35.7; Rick Weigel, Seminole, 0-5-38.6.

**CLASS F** — Bill Bauman, Ft. Myers, 5-0-39.1; Bones Hastings, Mass., Rowland Conrad, Clw., 2-3-34.1; Wally Smith, Ruskin, 2-3-37.3; Pat O'Toole, Bradenton, 2-3-29.8; Thomas Randolph, Ohio, 1-4-33.6.

**CLASS G** — Geo. Buskey, Clw., 4-1-39.7; Walt Wedel, Mich., 3-2-32.4; Joe Morgan, Bradenton, 3-2-41.4; Clifton Richards, Brooksville, 2-4-34.0; Chris Miller, Sarasota, 2-3-30.8; Don Bridges, Moore Haven, 1-4-30.3.

**CLASS H** — Orval Houchin, Clw., 5-0-41.0; Jack McGing, Port Richey, 3-2-32.9; John Zehnder, Ruskin, 3-2-29.8; Orval Coxon, Clw., 2-3-29.0; Geo. Bush, Inverness, 2-3-28.9; Speed Gillespie, Sarasota, 0-5-25.2.

**CLASS I** — Bob Zimmerman, Sarasota, 4-1-31.8; Russ Lobuzzetta, Sarasota, 3-2-40.6; Jake Jacobus, Bradenton, 3-2-37.0; Max Jaquette Zephyrhills, 3-2-30.6; Gib Beckemeyer, Ill., 1-4-32.8; Earl Colgan, Bradenton, 1-4-27.0.

**CLASS J** — Orval Tansy, Clw., 5-0-26.7; Harold Barnes, Seminole, 3-2-31.0; Earle Johnson, Bradenton, 3-2-26.8; Jim Pelkey, Bradenton, 3-2-21.0; Alex Gritske, Beverly Hills, 1-4-16.8; Fred Lindell, Brooksville, 0-5-16.3.

**CLASS K** — Percy Wells, Clw., 4-1-25.0; Richard Warren, Naples, 3-2-23.2; Norm Gaseau, Clw., 3-2-20.2; Geo. Utzman, N.Y., 3-2-22.9; Floyd Groesbeck, Tampa, 1-4-11.9; Ron Howe, Clw., 12.1.

**CLASS L** — Pete Filoreto, Clw., 4-1-21.9; John Manning, Bradenton, 4-1-27.4; Craig Howe, Clw., 3-2-23.3; Ralph Rollins, Brooksville, 2-3-13.9; Kane Bolster, Clw., 2-3-11.4; Geo. Kokajko, Sarasota, 0-5-8.0.

## CENTRAL MASS. SANCTIONED LEAGUE COMPLETES SEASON

The Central Mass. traveling Sanction Summer League, completed a most successful season in years. Teams from Worcester, Mass. and surrounding towns, representing V.F.W., Sportsman Clubs & etc. has grown from 5 teams to the present 10 teams and the outlook for 1984 is an additional 4 more.

League format is 12 games per Tuesday evening, 20 shoes, 90% handicap. Home & home series May thru Sept.

Banquet held at V.F.W., Uxbridge, Mass., a meal enjoyed by all, with dancing and awards. Trophy's award to Swedish Athletic Club #1, Champs after winning playoff with S.A.C. #2, results 7-5, with one game in overtime. Heritage Aces and Pats Service played to another tie, and duplicate awards were made. High Avg. 55.3 went to John Belsito, and Bill Allain. 90% patch, high game over scratch and 2nd high avg. 51.9. All others received their sanction patch and certificates.

## MOUNTAIN HOME, AR. SANC. LEAGUE CLOSES SEASON

The Mountain Home Horseshoe League of Mountain Home, Arkansas completed their first year of sanctioned league play at the City Park.

The players were enthused with the merit of keeping ringer percentages along with the 50 shoe-count all 80% handicap system. They also were happy with the several awards presented by the National Association.

This was an afternoon league as most members were Retirees but sill had a desire to pitch shoes. We were working with sixteen to eighteen players and used a substitute now and then.

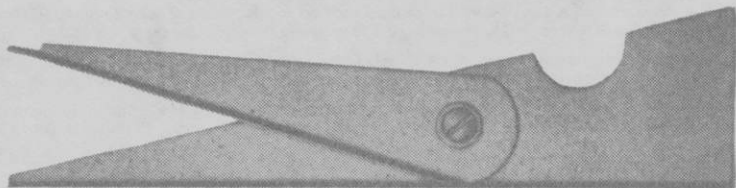
Bill Weaver was League Champ with 25½ wins and 12½ losses, Bill Knuth was high average man with 76. Art Frisch won the high game over average with a plus 28 points. Tom Scott received the Sportsmanship Award for his exemplary action both on and off the courts. The team champions were Fred Kump and Ted Harms.

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**Saturday, February 4**

"HOMER" tournament. Entry fee: \$24 per team. Deadline Tuesday, January 31.

**Saturday and Sunday, February 18-19**

The Valentine's Open. Singles, eight-man, round-robin, classes, entry fee for men and women: \$12, juniors: \$2, free pitching Friday night. Deadline February 4.

**Saturday, March 3**

"HOMER" tournament. Entry fee: \$24 per team. Deadline February 28.

**Saturday and Sunday, March 24-25**

"The Weasel Open." Singles, eight-man, round-robin, classes, entry fee: \$12. Deadline March 10.

**Saturday, April 14 (possibly Sunday depending on entries)**

Two classes, under 35 percent and over 35 percent, double elimination, singles tournament. Entry fee: \$6, cash prizes, 40 percent for first place, 20 percent for second. Deadline March 31.

**Saturday and Sunday, April 28-29**

The Spring Open. Singles, eight-man, round-robin, classes, entry fee for men and women: \$12, juniors: \$2. Deadline April 14.

**Saturday, May 12**

Another "HOMER" tournament. Entry fee: \$24 per team. Deadline May 1.

**Saturday and Sunday, May 26-27**

The Memorial Day Open. Singles, eight-man, round-robin, entry fee for men and women: \$12, juniors: \$2.

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## LEIGH DUNKER SOUTH DAKOTA CHAMP FOR 30TH TIME

Leigh Dunker of Warner, So. Dakota captured the 1983 South Dakota state title for the 30th time in the annual event hosted by the Spearfish Club over the Labor Day weekend. Lois Bolstad retained her state title for the fourth straight year. Gary Falk topped the Junior division. As a part of the 1983 South Dakota State tournament, Monte and Barbara Herrman of Rapid City were inducted into the South Dakota State Horseshoe Association's Hall of Fame.

This personable couple first entered into horseshoe competition when the State tournaments were held under tent. Monte helped write the state association's present constitution and also served as a director for many years. After the Rapid City flood of 1972, he worked with the Park Department to replace the courts that were lost at the fair grounds. He and his wife, with help from the local club hosted the 1979 South Dakota State Tournament in Rapid City. They have been very active in their club and have served as president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer, and various other duties as necessary. Their enthusiasm is very contagious and has spread to the surrounding towns which now have their own courts and host tournaments. They have given and still do, unselfishly of their time in helping other clubs with tournaments and all the paperwork that is involved.

**MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP** — Leigh Dunker, 7-0-58.6; E. Thorstad, 5-2-52.6; L. Spears, 4-3-49.4.

**CLASS A** — L. Wipf, 6-1-47.7; H. Paxton, 5-2-43.7; N. Bortnem, 4-3-42.9.

**CLASS B** — D. Klose, 6-1-5.4; G. Ehresman, 5-2-42.0; J. Allen, 4-3-42.6.

**CLASS C** — T. Wright, Sr., 7-0-42.6; H. Lonehill, 6-1-42.0; C. Leikvold, 5-2-38.3.

**CLASS D** — G. Johnson, 6-1-37.1; B. Ducheneaux, 6-1-34.7; J. Alexander, 4-1-42.3.

## JOPPE TOPS COMBINED LOCKS, WI. MIDEAST — 9-10-83

**CLASS A** — Carl Joppe, Green Bay, 6-1-64.3; Harold Bestul, Rosholt, 6-1-67.1; Ken Smith, Escanaba, MI, 4-3-57.7.

**CLASS B** — Wally Srenaski, Green Bay, 5-2-53.1; Archie Johnson, Eau Claire, 5-2-48.0; Jeff Lamers, Kimberly, 5-2-52.6.

**CLASS C** — Roger Comero, Cochrane, 5-2-51.4; Bill Schlaak, Menasha, 5-2-51.7; Todd Schultz, Marshfield, 5-2-43.7.

**CLASS D** — Royce Wrucke, Horicon, 6-1-42.6; Mike Wiegert, Green Bay, 6-1-45.4; Harry Johnson, Milwaukee, 4-3-42.9.

**CLASS E** — Joe Groeschl, Sheboygan, 6-1-48.6; Gary Schwartz, Random Lake, 6-1-46.6; Howard Voiles, Brown Deer, 4-3-39.4.

**CLASS F** — Brian Repinski, Plover, 6-1-40.0; Earl Wiegert, Kaukauna, 6-1-38.0; Jim Valle, Brownsville, 4-3-41.4.

**CLASS G** — Bill Matey, Appleton, 7-0-35.4; Roy Jones, Cochin, Sask., 4-3-33.9; John Milkint, Sussex, 4-3-35.0.

**CLASS H** — Bob Anderson, Eau Claire, 5-2-25.0; Gerald Weikert, Marshall, 5-2-35.0; John Gomoll, Watertown, 5-2-30.4.

**CLASS I** — Jim Bloemers, Fond du Lac, 6-1-36.5; Elmer Bigfire, Green Bay, 5-2-28.9; Harold Wendorf, Glendale, 4-3-33.2.

**CLASS J** — Jim King, Green Bay, 5-2-30.0; Keith Schlicher, Fond du Lac, 5-2-29.6; Herb Theisen, Lomira, 5-2-25.4.

**CLASS K** — Ken Koehn, Green Bay, 6-1-37.9; Gil Genke, Mountain, 6-1-31.4; James Haupt, Milwaukee, 3-4-32.6.

**CLASS L** — Chris Koehn, Green Bay, 7-0-29.6; George Sievert, Green Bay, 6-1-28.2; Tuffy Horn, Appleton, 4-3-27.9.

**CLASS M** — Herb Jaeger, Fond du Lac, 6-1-23.2; Jim Larson, Fond du Lac, 6-1-25.4; Herb Theisen, Lomira, 4-3-20.7.

**CLASS N** — Rocky Rockweit, 6-1-28.7; Don Reitzner, Combined Locks, 5-2-19.6; Bob Demerath, Neenah, 5-2-23.7.

**CLASS O** — Leroy Meyer, Vandebroek, 6-1-25.8; Greg Mignon, Little Chute, 6-1-17.5; Dave Haupt, Green Bay, 6-1-21.7.

**JOPPE TOPS — (Continued)**

**CLASS A BOYS** — Bret Pritzlaff, Germantown, 5-0-71.5; Hank Schwartz, Random Lake, 4-1-85.5; Jeff Secord, Fond du Lac, 3-2-56.0.

**CLASS A WOMEN** — Sherry Stone, Germantown, 6-1-47.3; Cyrena Srenaski, Green Bay, 6-1-41.7; Ruth Sanders, Combined Locks, 5-2-41.7.

**CLASS B WOMEN** — Rosemary Kamps, Combined Locks, 6-1-30.6; Dar Huss, Combined Locks, 5-2-32.6; Toni Gossens, Neenah, 4-3-28.3.

**GILES TOP WINNER IN 1983 UTAH STATE TOURNAMENT**

**CLASS A** — C. Giles, 10-1-67.5; J. Raymond, 10-1-58.3; B. Crane, 9-1-58.5.

**CLASS B** — R. Hunt, 9-2-40.0; R. Lobato, 8-8-43.2; F. Minster, 7-4-42.0.

**CLASS C** — C. Snarr, 6-2-35.6; O. Carlson, 6-2-33.5; R. Buchanan, 6-2-32.9.

**CLASS D** — J. Shaw, 3-1-25.8; A. Ballingham, 3-1-20.3; H. Zafft, 2-2-24.6.

**BALANCE OF ALABAMA STATE**

**CLASS C** — D. Lindsey, Jr., 3-1-44.2; J. Nichols, 2-2-46.2; J. Fike 3-1-45.6.

**CLASS D** — K. Gipson, 4-1-40.7; N. Lynn, 2-2-25.7; B. Fogelman, 3-1-39.7.

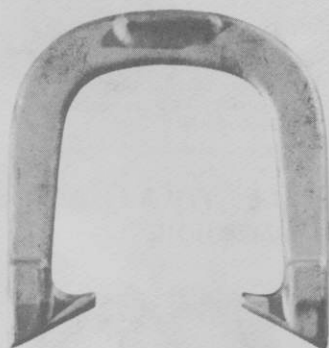
**CLASS E** — J. Mullican, 4-0-37.0; A. Woodall, 2-2-25.7; R. Moore, 3-1-39.7.

**LADIES** — J. Kerby, 6-1-38.7; M. Little, 5-2-37.1; F. Terry, 5-2-40.7; W. Teague, 5-2-35.2.

**JUNIOR BOYS** — M. Henderson, 4-0-60.3; S. Littell, 2-2-27.6; J. Mefford, 3-1-46.6.

**JUNIOR GIRLS** — W. Kerby, 4-0-11.5; L. Johnson, 2-2-4.8; T. Shaw, 2-2-6.0.

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Entry by telephone will absolutely not be accepted by the tournament directors. Entry fee of \$8.00 and your highest tournament percentage must accompany your entry on the new state entry form with your membership card number, 14 days prior to tournament date. There will be no refund of entry fee if you are unable to attend. All tournaments will be sanctioned so all participants must be a member of the national H.P.A. in good standing. Wear your shirt with your name and city on the back when pitching in tournament.

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- June 9-10 — Keystone Special. Shelocta, Pa. Contact Dwight Wetzel, Box 206, Marion Center, Pa. 15759. Ph: 412-397-2054.
- June 16-17 — Dogwood Acre Spring Fling. Ohiopyle, Pa. Contact Ray Rugg, Rte. 1, Box 19, Mill Run, Pa. 15464. Ph. 412-455-3677.
- June 23-24 — Eastern National. Erie, Pa. Contact Robert White, Rte. 3, Pagan Rd., Erie, Pa. 16509. Ph: 814-868-9408.
- June 30-July 1 — Open
- July 7-8 — Dormont Open. Dormont, Pa. Contact Ron Weiss, 3897 Edge Rd., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15227. Ph; 412-884-7092.
- July 14-15 — Kinzu Country Classic. Warren, Pa. Contact Gayle Meley, 15 Plum St., Warren, Pa. 16365. Ph. 814-563-7049.
- July 21-22 — George Giron Special. Beaver, Pa. Contact Ron Wilson, 406 Staube Ave., Baden, Pa. 15005. Ph. 412-869-7539.
- July 28-29 — Kane Invitational. Kane, Pa. Contact Mac McQuillen, 216 Yarnell St., Kane, Pa. 16735. Ph. 814-837-7815.
- Aug. 4-5 — Pine Tree Open, Shelocta, Pa. Contact Dwight Wetzel, Box 206, Marion Center, Pa. 15759. Ph: 412-397-2054.
- Aug. 11-12 — All County Tournament.
- Aug. 18-19 — Maple Summit Round Up. Ohiopyle, Pa. Contact Raymond Rugg, Rte. 1, Box 19, Mill Run, Pa. 15466. Ph: 412-455-3677.
- Aug. 25-26 — Mike Riedl Memorial Open. Dormont, Pa. Contact Ron Weiss, 3897 Edge Rd., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15227. Ph: 412-884-7092.
- Sept. 3-4-5 — Pennsylvania State Tournament. Ohiopyle, Pa. Contact Raymond Rugg, Rte. 1, Box 19, Mill Run, Pa. 15464. Ph. 412-455-3677.
- Sept. 8-9 — DuBois Open, DuBois, Pa. Contact Raymond Cherubini, Laura Ave., Brockway, Pa. 15826. Ph: 814-265-0543.
- Sept. 15-16 — Fall Round Up. New Castle, Pa. Contact Joe Mancini, 1025 Dewey Ave., New Castle, Pa. 16101. Ph: 412-652-0258.

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- April 7 — Simpsonville, S.C. Open
- May 5 — Simpsonville, S.C. Open
- June 2 — Simpsonville, S.C. Open
- July 7 — Simpsonville, S.C. Open
- Aug. 11 — Simpsonville, S.C. Open
- Sept. 1 — South Carolina State tournament (closed)
- Oct. 6 — Simpsonville, S.C. Open

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April 2 — Annual Dogwood Tournament. Jefferson City, Tenn.  
 April 16 — Jefferson City Open. Jefferson City, Tenn.  
 April 30 — Burns Open. Cleveland, Tenn.  
 May 14 — Ward Memorial. Cleveland, Tenn.  
 May 28 — J.M. Nave Open. Elizabethton, Tenn.  
 June 11 — Annual Summer Classic. Elizabethton, Tenn.  
 June 25 — Davenport Open. Cleveland, Tenn.

July 9 — Annual Ringer-Round-Up. Jefferson City, Tenn.  
 July 23 — Tournament of Champions. Elizabethton, Tenn.  
 Aug. 13 — Annual Tennessee State Singles Tournament. Cleveland, Tenn.  
 Sept. 3-4 — Volunteer Open. Cleveland, Tenn.  
 Sept. 24 — Annual Autumn Classic. Jefferson City, Tenn.  
 Oct. 1 — Annual Tennessee Doubles Tournament. Elizabethton, Tenn.

## NORTH CAROLINA SCHEDULE

April 13-14-15 — 16th Annual Carolina Dogwood Festival Open Tournament. Lakewood Park, Statesville, N.C. Men, Women and Juniors. (Sanctioned)  
 May 5 — North Carolina Recreation & Parks Singles Tourn. (Closed-Sanctioned). Lakewood Park, Statesville. Men, women and Juniors.  
 June 2 — N.C. 4-man County Team Tourn and Men's Doubles. Lakewood Park. Statesville. (Closed-Sanctioned) Men, women and juniors.

July 4 — Winston-Salem 4th of July Open. Winston-Salem, N.C. Sanctioned.  
 Aug. 24-25-26 — Work Horse Tournament. Sanctioned. Men, women and juniors. Winston-Salem, North Carolina.  
 Sept. 22-23 — 15th Annual Autumn Open. Sanctioned. Men, women and juniors. Lakewood Park, Statesville, N.C.  
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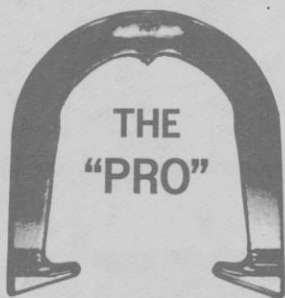
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