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# President's Message

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**N**atStats, the official centralized data bank for pitching averages of all NHPA members is fully operational and providing valuable information to those who need it. All sanctioned tournaments from all charters are to be reported to NatStats. It appears that about 90% are being turned in but there are apparently some tournament directors who have not gotten or are ignoring the word that should have come from the charter officials.

The 1993 World and Regional tournaments have all used the data from NatStats for reference and double checking purposes. NatStats has over 11,000 names, more than 1000 tournaments and nearly 50,000 individual tournament results now in the data base and these numbers are growing daily as more tournaments are reported. Several charters are now reporting all their tournaments by disk in the NHPA approved ASCII file format. If your charter is maintaining averages on computer and not yet reporting them by disk, contact NatStats to determine what is needed. While reporting by disk is not a requirement, it is a big time saver for both parties and the updated data can be returned to the charter almost immediately for printout.

Do not let your officials or tournament directors ignore and underestimate the importance of NatStats. While you are not yet required to use its data for entering averages into your local tournaments, it will become the absolute criteria for entry into the World and Regionals in 1994. As an example, next year's World entry form will not ask you to list any tournaments or pitching averages. From your NHPA card number, all data on your pitching performance will be sourced from the NatStats file. That file will tell us if you have the required minimum of 4 events and it will tell us your 3 highest average. It is there-

fore very important that all sanctioned tournament results are sent to NatStats. If you pitch in a borderline 4-5 events a year, including sanctioned league and 1 or 2 of those don't get reported, you may find your entry to the World or Regional tournaments rejected because the file does not show you having the minimum 4 required. If you think you might be on the bubble come next year, do yourself a favor—contact NatStats for an update while you still have time to get in a tournament or two if necessary. Your name and NHPA card number with an SASE will normally get you a written reply within 5 days of receipt. In an emergency a phone call can be made.

NatStats is not a program to run your tournaments. It is file to maintain and update averages. NHPA bylaws specify how member averages are computed. We use ringers and shoes pitched from your 3 highest events pitched in the last 12 months or 10 tournaments if those 10 have been pitched in a time frame of less than 12 months. Your average cannot drop more than 6.0% from the highest point it reached in the preceding 12 months. Remember, 12 months is not a calendar year, but a constantly moving 12 month window.

While a 400 shoe sanctioned cl/lg report can count as one of four events for World entry or seeding to one's first tournament, we found it necessary for the program to count these as well in determining your three highest. This will be explained to the delegates in Spearfish, who will be asked to ratify this "standing rule" until it can be added to the bylaws in 1994. It is important to mention here that any sanctioned cl/lg play recognized by NatStats, must be at least 400 shoes and must be reported through the NHPA 3rd VP, who as program director will first verify the league and participants as being eligible.

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## Dave's Court Report

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■ A sixth 1993 Regional Tournament has been awarded to Seeley Lake, Montana for September 11-12 and 13th if necessary. This is the first for the Mountain time zone and leaves us looking for two more, one in the Central and one in the Mountain zones. Seeley Lake is a small resort community in a beautiful area that has been hosting tournaments for 9 years on their 18 courts. In addition, there are 6 courts at a local bar-restaurant that will offer a special warm-up money throw Friday night before under the lights.

■ The NHPA Visa card carried by some members paid us a nice dividend in May. For new accounts, renewals and retail transactions in the first quarter, the NHPA was sent a \$513.50 check by MBNA America Bank. Thanks for supporting us.

■ Sol Berman, whose address is on page 3, reports that some videos and books are available from him. Videos selling for \$30.00 each, including postage and handling, are *Legends of Horseshoes #1 and #2*, *Horseshoe Highlights 1948-1984*, *Highlights 1984-1990* and *The Art of Horseshoe Pitching* which includes a book, *Horseshoe Film Facts and Fun*. Any two videos can be purchased for \$55.00. Profits from sales go to the NHPA.

■ Walter Ray Williams, Jr. is having a good year on the bowling circuit. He has captured several titles, rolled a fist full of

300 games, been King of the Hill and leads the PBA or is near the top ranking in several categories. Only a stubborn 10-pin in the last frame prevented Walter from winning \$100,000 in a TV finals. Let's wish Walter continued success as he is again a leading candidate for PBA Player of the Year.

■ There is no Regional Directors Report in this issue as I understand no field reports were submitted to the 5th VP by the deadline. However, we have a new director for Arkansas, and address/phone changes for the Oklahoma and Minnesota directors. Check the Travel Contact guide for updates.

■ *Newsline* has stated several times that regular tournament results will no longer be printed. However, we will continue the annual World Tournament issue and will print edited results of special events such as Regionals, Team World, Vegas and State Championships. With State Tournament time getting close for some Charters, tournament directors are reminded that the results must go to NatStats, but a copy sent to *Newsline* will get some of your data printed.

■ Donnie Roberts reports that the initial number of entries for Spearfish was 1492, about 10% less than expected, but the same number Spearfish had in 1989. With some late dropouts, that number will change but it is an interesting coincidence.



# Hall of Fame

by Earl Winston

The voting is completed for 1993 and I am pleased to announce that there are two persons who will be inducted into the NHPA Hall of Fame at the annual Hall of Fame and Awards Banquet to be held this year in Spearfish, SD.

We had four categories with eligible nominees, but this year one person was elected from the Player category and one was elected from the Player/Organizer category. We have two other categories. One is an all-inclusive group of nominees that were active before 1952 and then we have a category for people who were active primarily in organization and promotion from 1952. Neither of these categories produced any persons with sufficient vote totals to be elected this year.

From the Player category, your Hall of Fame Committee has elected Mr. Art Tyson of New York. Just so you will know a brief history, Art Tyson has pitched in the last 21 World Tournaments. In 1975 and 1978 he played in the second class, which was then known as Class B. All other years have been in the Championship Class. His highest World Tournament average was 80.4% in 1991, when he finished in second place. He has five other years where he average close to 75% or higher.

Art has surpassed the mark of 280 World Tournament games won. He has the unique distinction of having been State Champion in two states, namely Connecticut and New York. He has won the Eastern National

three times and the same for the Eastern Pennsylvania Open.

From the Player/Organizer category, the Committee has elected Mr. Barry Chapelle from Oregon. Barry currently serves the NHPA as second vice-president and follows his father, Cletus Chapelle, into this select group. They are only the second father and son combination to be elected.

Barry has served the NHPA in several capacities and is presently serving as Chairman of the Rules Committee. He is also a past chairman of the Hall of Fame Committee. You see him at each World Tournament recruiting judges and trying to

keep things running smoothly. He has served the State of Oregon in several offices and is currently their statistician. He has also held offices in his local club and currently is one of the managers of the annual Northwest Tournament in Yakima, which his father helped to get started.

For many years, Barry was one of the top pitchers in Oregon and has competed in the Championship Division in the World Tournament.

The Hall of Fame Committee and myself wish to congratulate both of these individuals for their accomplishments and for being elected to the NHPA Hall of Fame.

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# NHPA FINANCIAL REPORT

National Horseshoe Pitchers Association of America  
**Statement of Revenue and Expenses and  
 Changes in Fund Balance  
 Regular Account (Roberts)**  
 Years Ended March 31, 1993 and 1992

Revenue	1993	1992
Membership	\$179,885	\$ 121,453
World Tourney - See Schedule (1)	118,419	127,128
Horseshoe sanction fees	4,100	4,213
Insurance, full & league members	—0—	23,347
Miscellaneous, sales and charter dues	478	2,555
Visa card and miscellaneous income	1,462	1,170
Newsline - See Schedule (3)	42,422	48,823
Prior period revenue	—0—	27,134
Refunds	29	—0—
	Total Revenue	\$ 346,795    \$ 355,823

**Expenses:**

Newsline - See Schedule (3)	\$ 34,791	\$ 40,431
Sanction League Expense - See Sch. (2)	11,687	12,977
World Tournament Expense - See Sch. (1)	155,542	113,141
Regional Directors' Allowance & expenses	8,004	6,541
Tournament Patches	9,295	9,145
Equipment purchases, rentals, repairs	7,709	12,981
Printing, paper and office supplies	9,954	7,024
Postage	10,123	11,576
Officers' telephone	3,650	3,605
Officers' travel	10,710	2,788
Secretary's allowance	16,800	18,822
President's allowance	5,040	5,226
Vice President's allowance	4,250	5,055
Publicity, promotion, ads	2,488	1,568
Professional fees, accounting, legal	4,483	7,088
Misc. fees, bonds, bank charges, refunds	2,261	1,932
Insurance	16,092	20,870
	Total expenses	\$ 312,879    \$ 280,770

Revenue in excess of expenses before other	33,916	75,053
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**Other:**

Interest income	10,625	12,124
Revenue in excess of expenses after other	44,541	87,177
Fund balance, beginning of year	232,044	144,867
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 276,585	\$ 232,044

National Horseshoe Pitchers Association of America  
**Statement of Revenue and Expenses and Changes  
 in Fund Balances  
 Game Items (Domey)**  
 Years Ended March 31, 1993 and 1992

Revenue	1993	1992
Shipley	\$ 19,814	\$ 27,636
Seibold	11,445	14,586
Ohms	18,309	6,509
Pro Shop	36,841	26,217
Domey	57,460	70,262
Smith	17,186	20,868
NHPA	34,797	19,852
	Total revenue	\$ 195,852    \$ 185,930

**Expenses:**

Office expenses	\$ 28,046	\$ 18,848
Horseshoes	120,569	125,004
Game related items	20,266	17,600
Telephone	636	810
Postage	471	559
Freight	9,574	8,970
Advertising	2,366	2,614
Shirts	5,598	6,362
	Total expenses	\$ 187,526    \$ 180,767

Net revenue in excess of expenses before other income (expenses)	\$ 8,326	\$ 5,163
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Other income and (expenses)		
Interest income	1,308	2,537
(Decrease) increase in inventory	—0—	3,368

Net revenue in excess of expenses	9,634	11,068
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Fund balance, beginning of year	118,814	107,746
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Fund balance, end of year	\$ 128,448	\$ 118,814
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# NHPA FINANCIAL REPORT

National Horseshoe Pitchers Association of America  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
Years ended March 31, 1993 and 1992

<b>ASSETS</b>	1993	1992
Current Funds Unrestricted		
Cash in Bank		
Reg. Account (Roberts)	137,353	58,096
Game Related (Domey)	61,761	64,169
Memorial Fund	395	385
Certificate of Deposit	138,836	173,562
Prepaid Inventory (Domey)	5,808	—0—
Accounts Receivable (Domey)	1,194	—0—
	Total cash funds \$ 345,347	\$ 296,212
Inventories held by:		
Domey		
	67,173	54,646
	Total Inventories 67,173	54,646
	Total Assets \$ 412,520	\$ 350,858
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts Payable (Domey)	\$ 7,487	—0—
	Total Liabilities \$ 7,487	\$ —0—
Fund Balances - Undesignated, available for general activities.		
Beginning fund balances	\$ 350,858	\$ 252,613
Net fund activities	54,175	98,245
	Ending fund balances \$ 405,033	\$ 350,858
	Total liabilities and fund balances \$ 412,520	\$ 350,858

National Horseshoe Pitchers Association of America  
**Schedule of Revenue and Expense— World Tourney**  
**Regular Account (Roberts)**  
Schedule (1) Year Ended March 31, 1993 and 1992

<b>Revenue:</b>	1993	1992
World court and scoreboard rental	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Payment against 1990 W.T. debt	1,371	1,084
World Tourney registration fees	76,271	50,220
World Tourney final fees	3,950	4,300
World video and patch sales	3,950	1,524
World Awards Banquet sales	337	—0—
Biloxi payment against bid	—0—	16,000
Columbus payment against bid	10,500	30,500
Spearfish payment against bid	6,000	6,000
1993 World Bidder deposits	—0—	16,000
1994 World Bidder deposits	10,000	—0—
1995 World Bidder deposits	5,000	—0—
	Total revenue \$ 118,419	\$ 127,128
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Cash, trophy, patch and trust awards	\$ 127,684	\$ 88,476
Administrative expenses	16,874	13,509
Hall of Fame, awards, supplies	4,249	1,156
Refunds, and overpayments	6,735	10,000
	Total World Tourney expenses \$ 155,542	\$ 113,141
	Net revenue over expenses \$ (37,123)	\$ 13,987

National Horseshoe Pitchers Association of America  
**Schedule of Revenue and Expense—Sanctioned League**  
**Regular Account (Roberts)**  
Schedule (2)  
Year ended March 31, 1993 and 1992

<b>Revenue:</b>	1993	1992
	\$ —0—	\$ —0—
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Sanctioned League -		
Patches and awards	7,574	7,999
Office supplies, phone	2,713	3,578
Director allowance	1,000	1,000
Jr. scholarships	400	400
	Total expenses \$ 11,687	12,977
	Net revenues over net expenses \$ (11,687)	\$ (12,977.)

National Horseshoe Pitchers Association of America  
**Schedule of Revenue and Expense (Newsline)**  
Schedule (3)  
Years Ended March 31, 1993 and 1992

<b>Revenue:</b>	1993	1992
Newsline subscription income	\$ 33,552	\$ 44,255
Newsline advertising income	8,870	4,568
	Total revenue \$ 42,422	\$ 48,823
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Printing, postage, supplies	31,420	36,947
Publication, editing and misc.	3,371	3,484
	Total expenses \$ 34,791	40,431
	Net revenue over expenses \$ 7,631	\$ 8,392



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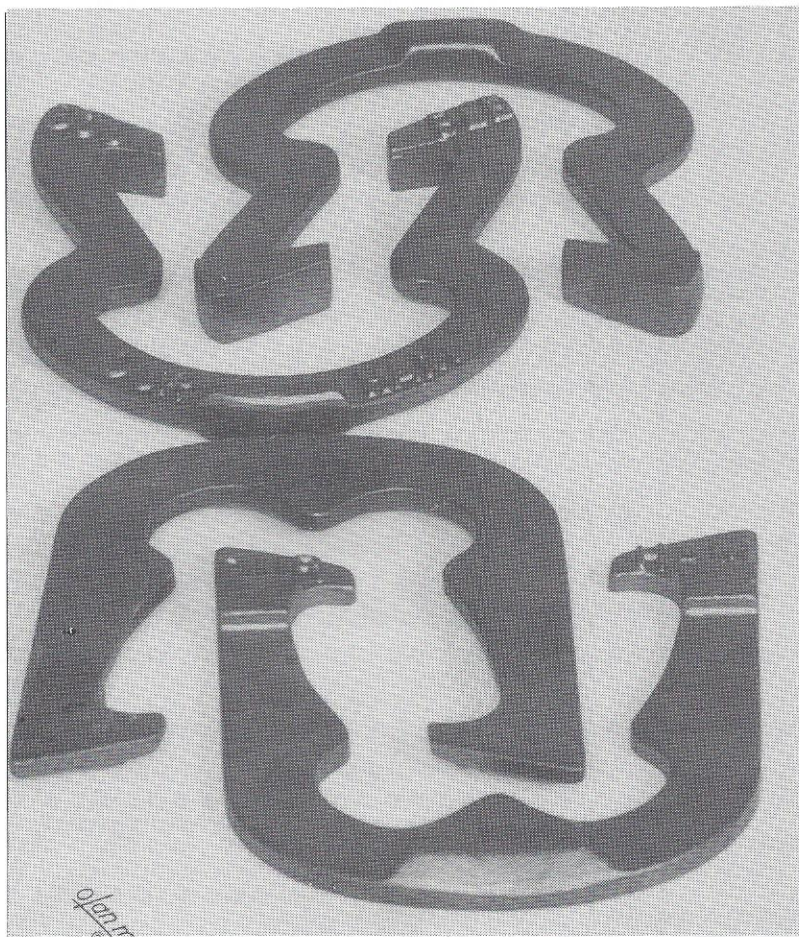
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## Tom Delaney Has A Fantastic Rookie Year

When the guys asked Tom Delaney to "pitch some shoes" at the local tavern in 1990, Tom did it just to occupy some time. Tom, a construction worker, did not have lots of time for sports and hobbies although he was a Golden Gloves boxer back in 1977 in his native NJ.

Tom liked horseshoe pitching so much he joined the Waymart (PA) area Horseshoe League and built himself a practice pit behind his house. Lo and behold, the rookie won the 1990 league honors with: most points scored, most ringers scored, and highest average.

Tom, who resides in Union Dale, PA, continued to improve his skills in the same way as every athlete does—Practice. His training ritual includes tossing 300 shoes every other night.

In 1992, as a first time member of the NHPA, he came in 2nd at the Mercer County Classic in Class D. He took a 4th and 1st in two matches at The Pits, Maine, NY, in April. In June at the Dallas (PA) Open he was 1st with a 5-2 mark and at the Camp Hill (PA) Spring Open he was 2nd in Class H with a 6-1.

His highlight of 1992 came in July when he did himself and his home area proud with a 3rd place in the Z division at the World Tournament. He won 5-1 and 3-2 in the semi-finals and then came in 3rd out of 44 competitors in his division. The eventual champion was 6-1 and Delaney originally tied for 2nd place on wins and losses, but he had to settle for 3rd place based on ringer average.

In the Pennsylvania State Championships, at Marian Center, in Class R he had the highest percentage game with 52.4%. No a bad year for a rookie NHPA member.



# More Horseshoe Programs In Our School Systems? Others Will Be Doing This!

by Bob Dunn



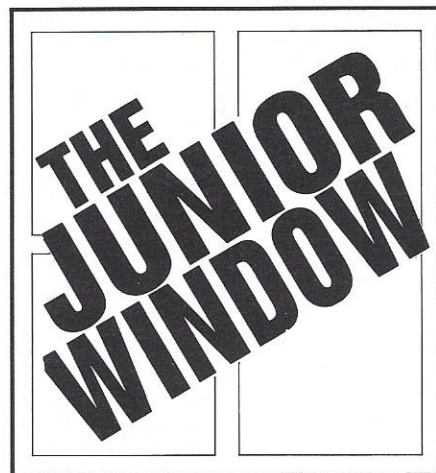
Following Kevin Cone's trip to Japan, I had the pleasure to visit the new Putt Mossman Arena in Eldora, Iowa and watch a most entertaining demonstration put on by the Men's World Champion. Having read his article and accounts of the trip, I had to ask Kevin about Japan's now having horseshoe pitching as a common

part of school activity. Here are Kevin's comments.

"Japan is taking an interest in our sport because they find it to be a sport of great exercise that one can participate in for a lifetime sport. It is also an activity the entire family can experience, something all countries need.

They are introducing horseshoe pitching at all levels of school (grade school through universities) through recreation class. Also the community recreation people will be implementing it in their activities.

We have been trying to do this in Iowa through physical education classes. I believe we are starting to see some results as kids that were introduced to horseshoes are now later in life joining the association. This is great because we need more to participate in this family and lifetime sport. There is a problem in that this is too far and few between. Possibly there is not enough incentive to continue to pitch horseshoes when young. The competition with other events and sports is too strong and kids tend to go with the ones they



can be rewarded in the most. The answers, I don't know, but we need more Junior leagues and incentives to keep their interest!"

There is a growing interest by physical education instructors for economical courses and our sport in their programs. The Junior Window has listed many of the specific schools requesting information about the sport, our NHPA and the Presidential Sports Award Program. Those requests are continuing as indicated by the new listings in this issue. Those individuals interested in promoting horseshoe pitching to youth can easily contact junior high or middle schools in your area and offer to conduct demonstrations for their phys. ed. students. These efforts can be a great lead into expanding or establishing Junior Leagues.

## Junior Jottings

by Bob Dunn

■ Junior promotion is going on in Arizona. JPD Paul Anderson sent a personal letter to all clubs in the state—encouraging clubs to contact local school and youth organizations in an attempt to establish courses or junior activity. "We are attempting to create interest in the lower grades. It is my belief that we need to get boys and girls interested in the game at the ages of eight to fourteen. Please work on it through your club, or as an individual. The long-range future of this sport will be forged by our youth of today."

Cal Cordes or the YMCA Horse-

shoe Club reported that portable courts have been put in at the middle schools to promote Junior pitching. Instructions are given by club members at the middle schools to promote Junior pitching. Instructions are given by club members during the phys. ed. classes at each school. The interest was increased by showing of a video. It is hoped that this effort will help begin a Junior League.

■ The final 1992 NHPA membership report is out. Our 1992 total Junior Members reached 922. That is a record for the third straight year and our junior membership is up 26%

over the level of 1990. Minnesota topped the list with 103 Juniors—the first charter to exceed the century mark.

■ More schools have requested horseshoe pitching information; Loretta McAbee, Merriwether Elementary School, Clarks Hill, SC; Susan Fons, Gatewood Elementary, Minnetonka, MN; Debe Seay, Forrest Hills Magnet School, Forrest Hills, AR; Marie Kelch, West High School, Waterloo, IA.

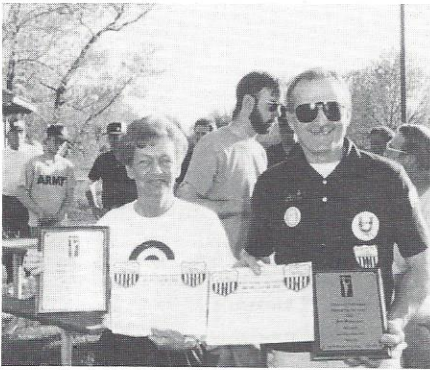
■ Welcome new Junior Program Directors, Ken and Mary Walters, Ohio.







# News Releases



## BROOKLYN PARK HORSESHOE CLUB 86-C-132 MINNESOTA

Art Halverson and Mary Matuke were presented their National Top Ten awards at the opening night of the BPHC 1993 league season. Both pitchers ranked number one in the NHPA Sanctioned League 1992 Top Ten for High Game Over Average. Halverson pitched a 60% game on a 25% average and Matuke pitched a 50% game on an 18% average. Both efforts were tops for the men's and women's division, nationally. There are over 7,000 NHPA members participating in NHPA sanctioned leagues.

Halverson is beginning his 11th season with the BPHC, but that is nothing compared to his longevity at Archer Daniels—twenty eight years. Art works as a blender, filling rail cars with flour. He enjoys league play and the NHPA Sanctioned League Program and has served two years as club president. His brightest moment in horseshoes is being a Class Champion at the 1987 NHPA World Tournament in Eau Claire.

Matuke is a fairly newcomer to the sport. A couple years after her husband Steve joined the Brooklyn Park Club, she joined in 1991. After a mild 11% average in the first season, she earned a Most Improved award by raising her average to 18% in 1992. Mary is looking forward to her first World Tournament in Spearfish. She has worked for the Target Store for 13 years as a stock specialist.

The Brooklyn Park Horseshoe Club is very proud of our two national champions.

## BRADENTON RECREATION HANDICAP HORSESHOE CLUB 88-C-5 FLORIDA

This league runs from January to April with 14 men and 4 women, pitching 50 shoe count-all games on the G.T. Bray Courts. League Director Patrick O'Toole was League Champ. Maurice Duncan had High Over Average, High Point Game found us with a tie of 173 (with Handicap) for both Omar Blacketer and Lorraine Lange. High Average was Harold Lange, Most Improved Player was Carter Wattman. Rookie went to Tom Minutolo and Sportsmanship to Joan Hully.

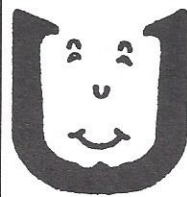
As League Director for both of these Florida clubs, Patrick O'Toole would like to extend a welcome to anyone interested in joining the 1994 winter season. During the summer months Patrick can be reached at 1162 Bayview Dr., R.R. 1, Woodlawn Ontario, Canada, KOA 3 MO and winter months at 813-755-9359.

## SARASOTA-BRADENTON HORSESHOE CLUB 84-C-17 FLORIDA

Our league played at Bee Ridge Courts on Monday Nights and finished the season on April 5th. League Champion was Russell Lobazzetta. High Over Average went to League Director Patrick O'Toole. Henry Hostetler had the High Average of 121 points and a High Game of 131. James Wood received Rookie of the Year, Most Improved Player was Leo Libera and Sportsmanship went to Jim Hurst. There were 18 men and 2 women pitching from January to April, 50 shoe count-all, with point averages from 12 to 69.

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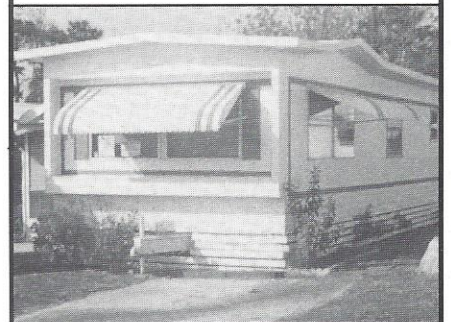
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# Survey Provides Interesting Data

The January/February 1993 *Newsline* issue mailed to 2994 addresses carried a survey that put questions to about one-fifth of the entire membership, a much greater cross section than normally sampled in national surveys. An 8-10% response rate is considered very good, but we received 478 replies for an excellent 16% response rate. Because our mailing and response rate is considered by survey specialists to be much higher than the norm, the accuracy of the compiled data is considered very good and can be applied across the entire membership to within plus or minus 3%. As such, we have some interesting numbers that will become the standard benchmarks for NHPA membership demographics and reference purposes.

Upon receipt, responses were initially sorted between retired and non-retired members. Data was compiled on each group and where there were significant differences, we show the two groups separately. Where the data changed little between groups, only the composite average is listed.

Looking at the W.T. data, 78% of the retired and 75% of the non-retired reported entering at least one World. The non-retired, most likely because of family and more income, spend an average of \$147 per day for 7.5 days while the retired averages \$109 per day for an 8.7 day stay. For a full 74% of the non-retired, the World Tournament is their primary annual vacation while such applies to only 44% of the retired. In regard to the questions about the length of time of the World, non-retired and retired who had been to two or more replied much the same. Overall, more than half think the pitching time is too long. 36% feel there should be a minimum percentage applied for entry and 48% feel some sort of local qualifying criteria should be imposed.

No changes are contemplated by the NHPA because of these numbers but they do give us good insight should change become inevitable. Here's what the numbers say.

## NHPA Survey Response Based on 478 replies to 2994 mailed surveys.

N=Non-retired members representing 47% of entire membership

R=Retired members representing 53% of entire membership

A=Average of 100% entire membership

Unless otherwise indicated, figures are for entire membership and are considered accurate to plus or minus 3%.

**Age:** N=48.9 yrs., R=67.9 yrs., A=58.8 yrs.

**Personal:** N=83% male, R=93% male, A=88% male

A=87% married, 4% single, 5% divorce, 4% widowed

**Occupation** now or before retirement:

5% Banking/Insurance, 14% Building trades, 5% Clerical, 9% Education, 4% Engineering, 11% Farming, 12% Government, 17% Manufacturing, 7% Marketing/Sales, 4% Medical/Dental, 5% Self employed, 7% other.

**Education:** 91% High School Graduate, 46% attend college for an average 3.45 yrs. with a 47% graduation rate.

Household Income:	Below \$20K	\$20-30K	\$30-40K	\$40-50K	\$50-75K	Above \$75K
N=	7%	24%	25%	17%	17%	10%
R=	20%	36%	24%	9%	6%	5%
A=	14%	30%	25%	13%	11%	7%

**Homeowner:** N=91%, R=97%, A=94%

**RV Owner:** N=25%, R=34%, A=30%

Years Pitching	Years NHPA Member	Pitched as a Junior
N=16.8 yrs	12.0 yrs	10%
R=22.7 yrs	16.8 yrs	7%
A=19.9 yrs	14.5 yrs	9%

**Tournaments pitched per year...13 Sanctioned...11**

Households with other pitchers	With other NHPA members	Pitch in club/league play	Sanctioned Cl/Lg
N=83%	70%	N=78%	56%
R=43%	29%	R=72%	43%
A=62%	48%	A=75%	49%

**Pitch in other states?** 80% **How many tournaments?** 3.8 per yr.

**Other Hobbies or Activities:** 31% fishing/hunting, 23% golf, 21% bowling, 18% playing or watching team sports, 18% home crafts, 17% reading/music, 17% travel/sightseeing, 13% games and family time, 11% gardening, 11% exercise, 10% swimming/boating, 9% camping, 5% cars, 5% other.

**Like Mixed Pitching:** N=57%, R=46%, A=51%

**Think 30' is advantage:** N=67%, R=75%, A=71%

**Pitching preference:** Singles 94%, Doubles 6%, Cancellation 84%, Count-all 16%  
78% prefer pitching outdoors if weather is not a factor.  
77% would not mind pitching into an elevated portable court.

**Permanent Hall of Fame site:** Yes 61%, Only 25% think non-horseshoe pitchers would pay to visit but 72% of the membership would pay.

**NHPA owned court complex:** Yes 46%, Pledge some \$ support 33%,  
Go into debt and finance it 15%.

**Newsline keeps you informed:** 71% excellent, 27% average, 2% poor

**Newsline as a reference source:** 66% excellent, 31% average, 3% poor

**How long do you save Newsline issues?** 71% forever, 16% 2+ yrs., 6% 1 yr.,  
5% six months, 2% 1-3 months

**What do you like most about pitching, the NHPA or Newsline:** 49% fellowship,  
46% guidance & information, 45% competition, 25% exercise, 13% travel, 6% cost

**What do you dislike?** 45% no dislikes, 16% 30' controversy, 11% sandbaggers,  
10% complainers & poor sports, 10% rules not enforced, 6% anti-NHPA or *Newsline*  
policy, 2% other



# Dear NHPA Member,

by Dave Loucks

## World Tournament Data

365 responses (76%) had attended at least one World Tournament. Of those who had attended two or more, the following data was determined.

**Average number attended:** 4.6, **Primary annual vacation:** Yes 58%

**Travel:** By car, 60%, by motorhome 25%, by air 15%, rent auto there 14%

**How many and how much:** Each entrant who brings an average of 1.23 other people with them spends \$1021 in total to attend the World.

**How long and where:** 8.14 nights are spent in host city. 72% stay in motel, 28% in campground

**What's important:** Close to courts 51%, Motel cost 47%, Amenities 18%,

**Lodging expense:** \$40-49.00 49%, below \$40.00 25%, \$50.00 or above 26%

**Meals:** Each person eats 2 meals per day in a local restaurant.

**Attractions:** Each person visits 2.81 local attractions

**Time Span:** 37% feel the two week time span to play the World is too long.

**Restrictions:** 51% feel entries should be limited in some way, 36% of World Tournament entrants feel entry should be restricted to above certain percentage levels, 4% say above 20, 12% say above 30, 11% above 40, 9% above 50 percent, 48% would be in favor of some form of local area qualifying to participate

**Favorite Site:** Biloxi 24%, Pleasanton 23%, Spearfish 22%, Eau Claire 6%, Huntsville 5%, Ainsworth 5%, Greenville 4%, Keene 3%, Stone Mountain 3%, Others 5%

**Who did we hear from:** By postmark, 39% of the responses came from the East, 31% from the Central and 30% from the West/Mountain states.

This year's World Tournament promises to be another fun-filled and exciting event. A large (possibly record-breaking) crowd is expected and the courts will be busy for long hours every day. To make this event as good as it can be, we need your help.

Two jobs at the World Tournament are always hard to fill. One of them is the role of scorekeeper, the other is the role of judge. No matter what the hour, if there is action on the courts, these two roles must be filled.

Are you attending the World Tournament? If so, can you put a little back into it by filling one or both of these roles? Can you encourage your friends and fellow members (who are attending) to do the same? It will be a better tournament with a better chance to stay on schedule if these positions can be filled on a timely basis for every shift.

I urge you to talk to each other and encourage each other to fill these positions so that no time is wasted because of empty scorekeeping chairs and not enough judges. IT IS YOUR TOURNAMENT—support it by not only attending and participating, but by also sharing in the work load and giving something back.

It is my assigned duty to be in charge of judges for the World Tournament. Most members can keep score, but not all can be capable judges. If you can serve as a judge, I urge you to do so and encourage others who you know are capable to do the same.

Each year I get some much appreciated help from some who judge many shifts and help me recruit others to judge. If you can add yourself to that list and are willing to "help me out" (which really means help us all out), I would appreciate hearing from you. Please contact me (see page three of the *Newsline*) if you can be of special assistance in this most important role for our World Tournament.

Sincerely,

Barry Chapelle, NHPA 2nd VP

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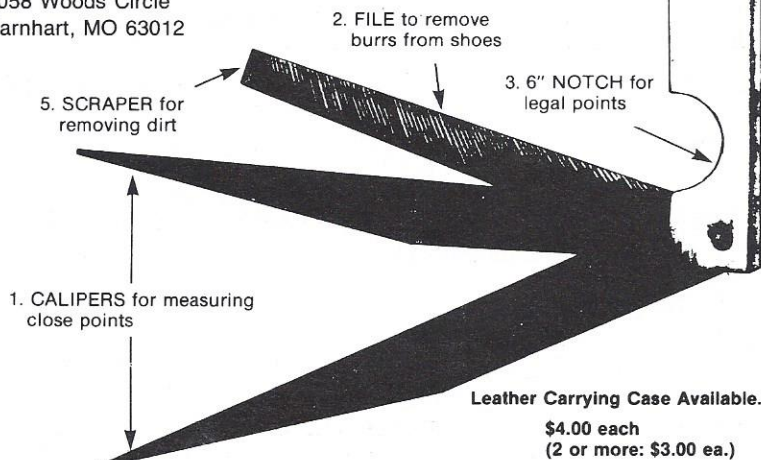
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# STALEY Is The Name PITCHING Is My Game

by Dave Loucks

If you're a fan of sports trivia, you no doubt have heard the question, "What Major League Baseball pitcher, selected three times to the All Star Team, has represented both the American and National Leagues?" The answer is Gerry Staley. What most trivia fans don't know is that Gerry is also an accomplished horseshoe pitcher.

Born in Brush Prairie, Washington in 1920, Gerry was the 2nd youngest of six children, 3 boys and 3 girls. Living in the country, dad farmed and shod horses so there were always plenty of old horseshoes laying around. Gerry started pitching horseshoes at a young age and preferred the shoes from the work horses as they were larger and heavier than those from the riding horses. While pitching horseshoes in those days was just something to do, there was enough interest round and about that Gerry picked up the 1- $\frac{1}{4}$  turn from the very beginning.

Baseball was also a game Gerry loved, but he never had any idea where it and fate would take him. In high school he was an infielder, generally playing the shortstop position. Nothing spectacular came out of his baseball in school and after graduation, Gerry went to work for awhile in the CCC but was able to keep baseball in his life by playing summer league for a semi-pro team where he had his first crack at pitching baseball.

A year later, 19 years old and now employed by the Aluminum Co. of America, Gerry found himself working with a fellow who had played baseball in the AAA Pacific Coast League. This co-worker was acquainted with the manager of the professional Class "C" baseball team in Boise, Idaho. The team badly needed pitching help and despite only limited experience at the position, Gerry was invited in the Spring of 1941 to try out for the team—as a pitcher. Surprising himself, Gerry made the team and signed a contract for a salary of \$100 per month. Obviously the manager saw potential in this young man, because in that first year Gerry won 22 games, got a raise to \$125 per month and then won 20 more games in his second season.

World War II was now in full swing and in the Fall of 1942, Gerry was drafted into the Army and shipped off to the fierce fighting area of the South Pacific where he served until 1945. During this time, baseball was only an occasional thought in his mind, but the sport was doing a lot of thinking about Gerry. While overseas in the Army, Gerry was drafted by the St. Louis Cardinals. When word reached him, the fire of baseball competition began to burn within him and he knew he just had to get home to again play the game.

1946 found Gerry assigned to the Sacramento Solons of the Pacific Coast League, where he didn't have great stats



as a pitcher for the season but showed enough promise that he went to Spring training in 1947 with the Cardinals and made the team as a relief pitcher. He didn't play much that year but that didn't dampen the thrill of being a teammate of Stan Musial. 1948 found Gerry being worked into the starting pitcher rotation though he still did a fair amount of relief pitching. Either he was versatile enough for both or management hadn't yet decided how to use him.

Opening day 1949 and Gerry Staley is the Cardinal's starting pitcher against Warren Spann in a memorable game which is lost by a 3-2 score. By the end of the season Gerry has a .500 winning game percentage to show for his first 3 years in the Major Leagues. Things got better as in 1950 he won 17 games, in 1951 he won 18 and in 1952, the year he is first selected to the National League All Star Team, Gerry won 19 games. In 1953 he is again selected to the National League All Star Team.

As is the way of a baseball player's life, Gerry found his contract sold to the Cincinnati Reds at the start of the 1955 season and before the season ends he is sold to the New York Yankees, who will play in the World Series. Roomed with Don Larson and now playing with Mickey Mantle and Yogi Berra, Gerry feels good as the 1956 season opens. However, in a short time he is sold to the Chicago White Sox and all this moving around puts some doubts in his mind. Those are quickly shunted aside, however, as Chicago puts him in the starting rotation and he wins several games for the club.

Throughout his career to this point, Gerry had built a reputation as a "control pitcher" who needed only 5-6 warm-up pitches to get ready. His best pitch was a sinker ball, but he also had a good knuckle ball. Chicago decided to take full advantage of his short warm-up time and in 1957, they made Gerry a full time relief pitcher. In 1959, the White Sox and Gerry would go to the World Series against the Dodgers. The Dodgers wins the series in six, but Gerry sets a 6 game World Series Record by appearing in 4 of those games. In 1960, Gerry is selected to the American League All Star team where he becomes the first pitcher to repre-

sent both leagues in different years in the All Star Game.

In 1961, Gerry begins to realize that baseball players don't go on forever. He opens the season with Chicago but is later sold to Kansas City and before the season ends is sold again, this time to Detroit. Wanting to spend more time with his family, Gerry retires from active player status at the end of the 1961 season and goes home to Washington and the West Coast. However, he spends one more year, 1962, in baseball as a coach for Portland in the Coast League.



*Rooming with Don Larson and now playing with Micky Mantle and Yogi Berra, Gerry felt good as the 1956 season opened...*

After the 1962 season, Gerry worked two years for a building supply company before being appointed in the Fall of 1964, the Director of Parks and Recreation for Clark County, Washington. He served in this position 17 years before retiring in 1981.

While he had maintained his interest in horseshoes by pitching shoes between baseball seasons, it was not until Gerry returned to private life that he began to participate in the competitive aspect of horseshoe pitching. With the 1-¼ turn still working, Gerry started tournament play in the mid 1970s. Pitching against many of the top players from the Northwest, several with experience in the Championship Class of NHPA World Tournaments, Gerry became and remains a tough competitor. While he has never won the Washington State Championship, he did finish 3rd in 1985, a time when he was maintaining a 65% pitching average. He is the current president of the Southwest Washington horseshoe club and has been for several years. He and his wife enjoy being retired and the freedom that it provides for them to travel and yes, pitch some horseshoes.

In all his time in baseball, the highest annual salary Gerry ever made was \$21,000. That's a far cry from the multi-million

dollar salaries of today and one senses a bit of wonderment on Gerry's part for the big dollars in the game now. He realizes that many great ball players, like himself, were just in the right place at the wrong time. Back then, baseball was a game played as much for the love of the sport as for the money, much like horseshoes today.



# Sue Snyder

by Bob Champion



**T**he Queen of the Sweet Sixteen in women's horseshoe pitching in 1992 is a newcomer to the winner's circle, but no newcomer to the World's top sixteen best pitchers.

Closing with a 14-1 record and the fourth highest overall tournament percentage of 84.6, Sue Snyder from Grandview, Indiana has only been active in organized pitching since 1985. She nosed out two Canadian stars, former World Champion Sandy McLachlin (13-2) and Sylvianne Moisan, two games back, who closed with the tournament's second high percentage of 81.1. Sandy had 80.1.

In a way, one might say that Sue is another "new gal on the block" since she is the third champion in the past six years to be a first-time winner. Sandy was the first in 1987 at Eau Claire followed by Diane Lopez Silva in 1988 at Pleasanton.

Snyder's blistering 84.6 elevated her to fourth spot in the All-Time High Tournament percentage in the 62 year history of the women's division.

The World's record percentage was established by McLachlin in 1987, an 88.2 effort. That same year Canada's

Diane Cantin, who finished second in the standings, pitched an overall 88.1. In 1988 Sandy came back to nail third with an even 85%. Phyllis Negaard's 84.1 is fifth on the All-Time list.

Since 1960 when Esta McKee, another Hoosier, was the winner, most of the champions have been repeat performers headed by Vicki Winston's six of her ten titles, and including five from Minnesota's Negaard and New York's Ruth Hagen.

Following her victory at Columbus, many questions were asked of the popular 1992 champion. "Could you have defeated defending Champion Tari Powell from Rossville, Illinois if she had competed?"

"I really doubt it," was Sue's reply, "if Tari had been in top physical condition, but she is a good friend and was in there rooting for me."

Many knew that Tari had shoulder problems. Surgery this past year removed a cyst and she hopes to be ready to compete in Spearfish come July. The three-time Champion had this to say about her Indiana friend—"Sue is a great sport. She is a great friend and a true women's World Champion. Sue is shy, but makes friends easily, is funny and certainly enjoys pitching horseshoes. During the World Tournament last year, she told me she felt confident about winning in Columbus. Confidence and concentration is the name of the game."

Snyder is the third World Champion from Indiana. Esta McKee from Royal Center won in 1960 in a playoff (7-2), 53.6%) and three-time Champion Sue Gillespie from Portland in 1962, 1964 and 1965. Gillespie had winning percentages of 65.3, 81.3 and 75.1.

Snyder began pitching socially in 1981 until she joined the American Horseshoe Pitchers Association, based in Indiana two years later. She pitched in the count-all group and a short time later was urged by a friend, Ed Weyer, to join the NHPA. Following a year, when she tossed iron in both associations, Sue was converted to NHPA only and has been active in World Competition the past six years.

It has been a gradual trip to the



top. She finished 8th in 1987, 6th in 1988, sandwiched two Class A titles before a second place in 1991 and the World title last year.

Sue has won six straight Indiana titles since her serious intentions began in 1987.

In addition to her fantastic state and World play, Sue has finished at or near the top in other leading events in the nation. As a member of the Indiana team in the Team World Tournaments, her foursome has finished first and third twice.

She won the Midwest Invitational (Illinois-Indiana-Michigan) in 1988, the Greenville, Ohio Ringer Classic twice in 1989 and 1992 with an 85% performance in 1989, and has two firsts and one second in three years in the Ohio Fair Governor's Open. Sue had an impressive 84.5% average in the Governor's Open last year and defeated Walter Ray Williams Jr. with a 92.5% game on her way to the title.

"Of course, the World Tournament is my favorite event, but the Ohio State Fair Governor's Open is also a must," she adds. "If you can handle the top four in this event, it is great, and Donnie Roberts makes it very exciting for the pitchers."

"A tournament I'll always remember has to be the Karl Van Sant Cayuga Classic in 1991. Five of the eight pitchers in the top class averaged over 80% and Tari Powell had two perfect games, one against host Karl Van Sant, the other against Sandy McLachlin."

Snyder has two perfects to her credit. The first caught Van Sant on

the short end at Georgetown, Kentucky in 1990, and the second against "friend" Tari Powell at Cayuga in 1992. These were 20 and 14 shoe accomplishments.

Sue has been asked many times about competition between 30 and 40 foot pitchers, and who is the nicest man to pitch against. In Indiana they all pitch together and "the guys are really great about it." She rates Mark Seibold from Indiana as about the nicest person you can pitch. Walter Ray could care less if you pitch at 30 or 40 as long as you give him a good game.

After joining the NHPA in 1987, Snyder said she read everything about horseshoes that was available including, of course, the rules of the game. 10-time World Champion Vicki Winston from Missouri, who still throws a "mean shoe" was her idol during these early years of competition.

Incidentally, Sue entered her name in the World Record books in Columbus when she fashioned a 97.5 single game against Minnesota's Bev Nathe. "39 out of 40 will get you a win every time."

Sue is never alone at the tournaments she enters. Husband Rick is always there. In fact, if Rick isn't there, Sue is not one of the contestants. They have lived in two houses the past 12 years, had a sand court in the first one and for the past five years, clay.

Her children, Rich and Stacy and three-year old grandson Stephen, are her special hobbies. In addition, every Indiana citizen has another hobby—Bobby Knight's Indiana Hoosier basketball team. "If you are from Indiana you have to be an IU fan."

Sue is the first women's champion to throw the Cal-Flip horseshoe. Before that time everyone in Indiana pitched Gordons.

"We have tons of pitchers in Indiana who will not join NHPA. They pitch a lot of shoes, but don't want to get organized," she wonders.

A couple times a year, the Champ visits Jack Freeman's Courts near Nashville. "Jack has great courts and good tournaments," Sue added. From news around the circuit, more will be heard about the Nashville area in the future.

Snyder is getting ready for the World. She shot her highest seven game percentage of 87.3 May 9 in a tournament at Brazil, Indiana, in the Clay County Classic. It included single games of 96.9 and 92.3.

It is not readily known how many World class pitchers have sponsors, but Sue is one of them. The Foertsch Construction Company from Lamar is her benefactor. You know those Hoosiers will stick together.

Six women will be seeded prior to the Spearfish event. Sue will be one of them based on her 85.87 percent entry figure. Her 42 victories in the championship class in the four years of competition rates her 17th on the women's All-Time victory list.

You will hear a lot more from the Grandview, Indiana housewife in the future and don't be surprised if NHPA has a repeater in the winner's circle.

## Sue Snyder Records

### WORLD TOURNAMENT RECORD

Year	Class	Pos.	W	L	Rgr. %
1987	Women's Championship	8th	7	8	74.8
1988	Women's Championship	6th	8	7	77.4
1989	Women's Class A	1st	12	3	70.8
1990	Women's Class A	1st	11	0	80.7
1991	Women's Championship	2nd	13	2	80.1
1992	Women's Championship	1st	14	1	84.6
1992—World Record Highest Ringer %—One Game 39/40....97.5					

### INDIANA STATE CHAMPION

1987	1st	79.3	1990	1st	76.9
1988	1st	80.4	1991	1st	84.9
1989	1st	79.0	1992	1st	81.6

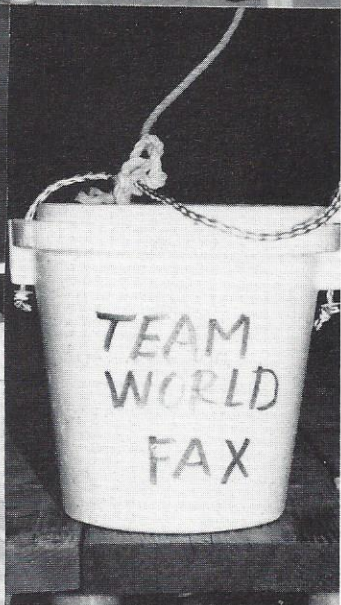
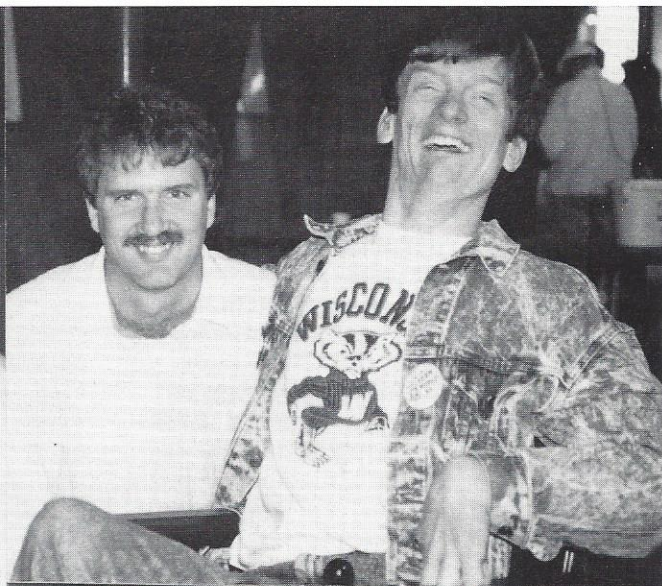
### WOMEN'S HIGHEST WORLD TOTAL PERCENTAGES

1987	Sandy McLachlin, Canada	88.2
1987	Diane Cantin, Canada	88.1
1988	Sandy McLachlin, Canada	85.0
1992	Sue Snyder, Indiana	84.6
1983	Phyllis Negaard, Minnesota	84.1
1988	Diane Lopez, California	83.4
1985	Diane Cantin, Canada	83.3
1990	Tari Powell, Illinois	83.1
1991	Tari Powell, Illinois	83.1
1986	Debby Michaud, Massachusetts	83.1
1985	Debby Michaud, Massachusetts	82.8
1978	Opal Reno, Ohio	82.8



Tari Powell and Sue Snyder.







# Team World Becomes Minnesota Benefit

**MINNESOTA KENTUCKY ILLINOIS CALIFORNIA INDIANA**

Enjoyable and warm, May weather came to Beloit, Wisconsin along with the three day TEAM-WORLD. Sixteen picked teams played in familiar round-robin pre-lims leading to a five team ladder play-off.

Minnesota once again demonstrated their depth of pitching power winning the 1993 Team-World tournament for the 2nd consecutive year and the 4th Team-World title in the past 9 years.

Second place Kentucky, loaded with team talent and newly acquired resident pitcher Don Titcomb, came within one game of the title. Some tournament followers acquainted with their indoor record thought this would be Kentucky's year. It started that way early Friday when they bumped Minnesota for 3 or 4 games.

Illinois entrusted the same four pitchers who claimed the 1988 title. They hit Indiana with authority in the first session and led the field for the day. Their eventual reward was: longest on the ladder (three games) and third place.

California let everyone know they were in the building when they surprised Kentucky for 3/4 wins in the very first match. Their lead man and top average producer of the tournament, Walter Ray Williams Jr., had one low game of 75%. Inspired, Northern California went on to fourth place.

Indiana made the final five but could not improve that position. The team of champions—two reigning and one former World Champions—Sue Snyder and Karl Van Sant, and Mark Seibold too, should have been shown more respect but Team-World pitchers take great pride in measuring-up with the 'champs.' Of course the upsetters are not always successful. Snyder lost only one game.

For the record, two pitchers went the entire distance, 15 games, without losing—make that 16 games—Bev Nathe and Williams won each pre-lim game and also in the finals.

In spite of the first session letdown to Kentucky, it became generally apparent Minnesota was going to the

finals. In Beloit they are getting to know this team on a first name basis: Phyl, Bev, Lu and Dale. Their role in winning this Team-World title was predictable. There was more speculation over the fifth spot on the ladder than first.

The stats people figured a team percentage difference of less than one-half of one percent between the number one and two teams of the finals.

Besides the traveling trophy, Minnesota won \$1700. Kentucky's spot was worth \$900. Illinois cashed for \$650, California received \$450, Indiana took \$300. A pitcher pointed out, shoes were worth \$5 each in that final game.

Saturday night a few glasses were raised celebrating the engagement of Paige Pennington to Walter Ray Williams Jr. Not everybody was there to congratulate the couple and have a piece of cake, but those baseball players didn't miss a trick.

A minor league farm club has lockers in the horseshoe building. Young infielder/outfielder types were passing through the party room coming home from a game. Some of the athletes found their way to the courts and were trying to pitch a few. The ringing of shoes off concrete became our first alarm. The baseball guy was trying a flip—not the worst—well, most of the time it was in the clay. Then he got a little gift most pitchers would kill for—personal instructions from Walter Ray Williams Jr. on how to deliver a one-and-one-quarter. The young ballplayers' reaction was typical. After a couple of tries he switched back to the flip. On the way out the ball club took care of the cake. No problem—no leftovers.

Individual records, although important, are secondary to team production. Minnesota did not have the high average pitcher of either gender. They did not have the high team average. They simply won enough games to be first on the five team ladder playoff and they had the good luck to stay there. It does help to have the '87 Men's World Champ as the fourth seed on a four pitcher team.

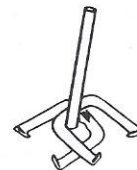
<b>1st Minnesota</b>	<b>48 Wins</b>
Phyllis Negaard	75.63
Bev Nathe	78.91
Lu Cave	62.66
Dale Lipovsky	67.19
<b>2nd Kentucky</b>	<b>47 Wins</b>
Ron Powell	76.91
Don Titcomb	67.79
Lois Webster	73.53
Charlie Meredith	75.29
<b>3rd Illinois</b>	<b>40 Wins</b>
Cliff Baker	73.61
Charlie Webb	70.00
Bunny Ward	66.25
Jerry Dumstorff	62.22
<b>4th N. California</b>	<b>41 1/2 Wins</b>
Walter Ray Williams	83.59
Gail Sluys	64.22
Dave Loucks	58.13
B.S. Pennington	67.97
<b>5th Indiana</b>	<b>36 1/2 Wins</b>
Sue Snyder	81.56
Mark Seibold	71.25
Karl Van Sant	69.38
Curly Seibold	55.16
<b>6th Missouri</b>	<b>35 Wins</b>
Vicki Winston	71.67
Pam Henderson	60.17
Sam Carter	63.00
Stan Griggs	61.00
<b>7th Ontario</b>	<b>33 Wins</b>
Sandy Janssens	70.68
Steve Hohl	68.83
Kevin McLachlin	62.32
Andy Kutsch	55.71
Tom Stroh	45.83
<b>8th Illinois-2</b>	<b>30 1/2 Wins</b>
Larry Knop	68.83
Mike Knop	65.33
Ray Phillips	58.33
Harold Lange	57.17
<b>9th Minnesota-2</b>	<b>28 Wins</b>
Dave Hughes	63.50
Jerry Stangland	60.83
Edi Holland	62.50
Len Lipovsky	57.00
<b>10th Wisconsin</b>	<b>27 1/2 Wins</b>
Mark Stevens	60.17
Edie McKinney	61.33
Randy Rein	59.83
Jane Smith	60.67
<b>11th Missouri-2</b>	<b>26 Wins</b>
Elwyn Cooper	62.17
M.O. Turner	59.17
Tim Henderson	52.67
Ken Pogue	61.67
<b>12th Saskatchewan</b>	<b>24 Wins</b>
Marv Ellison	65.50
Howard Weitzel	71.83
Vern Tyache	47.50
Al Ross	53.67
<b>13th Wisconsin</b>	<b>22 1/2 Wins</b>
Ralph Maylahn	56.88
Rich Pichler	51.67
Don Kangas	64.00
John Udelhofen	57.83
Lorraine Sternberg	51.59
<b>14th Wisconsin-2</b>	<b>20 1/2 Wins</b>
Larry Barber	61.00
Gus Schram	57.50
Buck Huffman	54.17
Dan Bloom	52.50
<b>15th Iowa</b>	<b>13 Wins</b>
Harold Garner	44.50
Leo Buell	52.00
Herb Hansen	46.83
Russ Martin	54.83
<b>16th WI Eau Claire</b>	<b>6 1/2 Wins</b>
Debby Bestul	60.33
Ev Goshaw	41.67
Bill Schaaf	50.50
Jim Hoff	27.50





Bob Champion's

# Charter Chatter



Publicity is important! *Chatter* has already asked the 37 state newsletter editors to add the leading newspapers, radio and television stations, plus media in all communities that host horseshoe tournaments, to their complimentary mailing list and to mention the city of their class winners.

In this way it is possible that some of the media sports departments will recognize the communities where our pitchers live and give horseshoes a break in the sports pages. Can't hurt to try.

## CANADA

The British Columbia Executive is in good hands according to information received in their newsletter.

Former secretary Dorothy Butts is the new president and a real go-getter. Wendy Tomasevic, secretary, has been a great asset to the group by assisting the treasurer-statistician and husband Tom to produce the yearbook. Tom Tomasevic can be listed as a veteran to the Executive, serving various positions for many years. At present he is also the news editor.

Ray Michaud is the vice president entering his third year on the Executive. Regional Directors are Tom Hawkins (Vancouver Island) Doug Wilton (Interior/Kootneys, Marcel Pinette (Northern), Denis Kirichenko (lower mainland representative).

The immediate past president is Horst Hesse.

## COLORADO

Rich Pintor, better known as the Super Mex in Colorado was the winner of the first Annual Tournament of Champions held April 17 and 18 at the indoor Pitchin' Post.

114 state pitchers were eligible to compete—winners of a first place in the 1992 tournaments in the state—and 56 came to pitch in nine classes.

Pintor has been Colorado's main man at the World for several years, having finished 7th and 15th in the championship class plus a win in Class A in 1990 and a Class B title in 1987.

Winners in the "Four Dead" 9th Annual Bowling Tournament were Ed Shepard and Nancy Wright. Ray McGrady had the high series of 669.

In the National league stats John Huntzinger in high points over average (+41.52) finished second and was also second in high ringer % over average (+34.73). He is a member of the Woodward Governor league in Fort Collins.

## GEORGIA

The big news from the Peach State centers around Perry's bid for the 1995 World Tournament. Perry is located 75 miles south of Atlanta.

The bid includes holding the World Tournament indoors in an air conditioned building that would house 37 championship courts. 5,300 seats are available. The \$25,000,000 facility, called the Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agri Center, is only three years old and includes 23 special buildings. Covered practice courts are close to the proposed pitching arena.

## ILLINOIS

Both Shelbyville and Pittsfield entered bids of \$500 to host the 1993 State tournament. Shelbyville was chosen.

Interesting note in the state newsletter concerning sand-bagging. Hank Jessen sent in this bit of information following the last Las Vegas Tournament:

"My thoughts are that one does not pitch 10% over average for 11 games, and surely not 18.8% over average as did one pitcher from Missouri. We all surely hope the individual treasures the win and cash prize. On the artificial clay it was hard to even hold an average as the complete text of the tournament will show."

Bob Schaver (4-1, 60.8%) was the class A winner in the Fulton Invitational.

Winners in the Springfield Spring Fling were Mike Green (A), Carl Higer (B), Joe Jones (C), Mark Hylton (D), Charles Daniel (E) and Ron Barrow (F).

## IOWA

There have been four World Champions from Iowa, including the first Champion Frank Jackson, winner of 7 titles. The other three are Frank Lundin, New London 1922; Putt Mossman, Eldora, 1924 and 1925; and the present reigning Champion Kevin Cone, Alta.

The February 13 indoor team tournament at Eldora was won by the trio of Wil Foelske, Marv Engstler and Al Hansen, with a 16 point total to edge Bob McKee, Dick Walker and Harold Barker by two points.

Kevin Cone went 5-0 with a 76% to win Class A in the IHPA Indoor State Championship. Jerry Holt finished second, 3-2, 62.9.

## MINNESOTA

Three-time World Champion Dale Lipovsky has won the state title 14 times. Ron Cherrier won 10 titles and Frank Stinson, World Junior Champion in 1924 has won 8.

Jack Conner and Larye Ambrose have been the only pitchers to interrupt Lipovsky's long string of titles. Conner won in 1979 and 1980, 1985, 1987 and 1988. Ambrose took the 1977 crown.

The second annual state doubles tournament will be held September 18-19.

It was announced that complimentary copies of the MGSHPA newsletter will be sent to all new members. A great idea.

## MISSOURI

Blue Springs, a suburb of Kansas City, plans to make a bid for the 1995 World Tournament. Word comes down that they have four athletic fields available and will make a decision where to locate the courts for the World soon. The publicity campaign will begin as soon as the designation has been made.

Can you imagine bowling a 631 series and being low on a five woman team? It happened on Tracy Sherman's team January 5 at Olympic Lanes in St. Louis.

Tracy bowled 698 and the other three bowlers had 685,



695 and 737. The team set two amateur records, game high 1262 and series of 3446. Tracy lives in St. Peters.

### NEW YORK

Dave Harnden of the Pioneer Horseshoe Club sent some results from last year and shows that Jeff Johnson won Class A in a playoff with Pat Delahunt. The tournament was held at the NY State Fairgrounds.

Peg Wilkinson won Class B, Nick Barnello was the "C" winner and Harnden won Class D in playoff over Paul Canavan.

The Summer, Fall and Spring Class A league titles were won by Lance Hinman, Bob Wilsch and Dick Sposato respectively.

### NEW JERSEY

The March issue of the *Jersey Jargon* features the induction of Vince Yannetti into the State Hall of Fame in 1979.

Vince has won the N.J. State Class B twice, has won the Class D Championship and has won the doubles title 4 times with his partner's help.

Nationally he has won the Achievement award and the Arch Stokes Award for service. He has been an NHPA vice president. On the state level he has served as president and 1st, 2nd and 3rd vice president. He has been the state statistician and historian for over 20 years.

He also has been a tournament director many years, a member of many committees and for the past several years has handled the game related sales in New Jersey.

### NEVADA

A fine story in the *Southern Nevada Sports News* was headlined by Las Vegas co-director Don Weaver who recently retired as Regional Director. The new director is Billie Rosa.

Talk to Weaver some day and you will find out—"Hey, there's a lot more to tossing one of those "U" shaped pieces of iron than you think. Not only that, if you get good at it, there's even some money to be made."

Don forgot to tell them that it might not be enough to make the house payment unless you are REAL GOOD. Of course, you might throw the shoes instead of paying out good money at the health club.

### NORTH CAROLINA

Genial Art Tyson from New York had a perfect 11-0 record and a hot 83.15 percentage to win the 25th Annual Dogwood Tournament in Statesville.

New York's Mike Demartino took second by percentage over Rick Cale, West Virginia and Roger Foley, Virginia. All three tied with 8-3 records but Mike had 76.12%, Rick 74.84 and Roger 66.77.

The tournament director was Paul Stewart assisted by the Statesville Parks and Recreational staff. They did a great job keeping things moving.

### OREGON

Lowell Davis has purchased an NHPA card for 37 years to lead the pitchers in the state. Others in the 30 plus bracket are Rich Leggett and Ernie LaVoie with 34, Bob Winn 32 and Davey Sturdevant 31.

Going down the list let's include Ray Meyer and Bob Hildebrandt with 26's, Elmer Otnes 25, and Charles Wendling 24.

Ted Allen, 10-time World Champion was the State Champ in 1932. Ted also holds titles in California and 10 in Colorado. Cletus Chapelle from Portland won four titles (1941, 1943, 1947, and 1950.) Around the World circles,

Cletus may be known as the victim when Ted Allen pitched 72 straight ringers against him in the 1955 World Tournament at Murray, Utah. Cletus is the father of NHPA 2nd VP Barry Chapelle and 10-time women's champion, Vicki Winston. It's a horseshoe family. Earl Winston fits in there someplace.

### TEXAS

Top percentages as of the April Brazos Classic included several World Champions. 1991 Intermediate Champion Ed Arionus tops the list with 69.4 followed by Bob Graham 65.7, 1982 Class B Champion Coke Bowker 65.4, Will Wade 61.6 and Charley Posey 60.3.

Top five for the women are Mary Ann Kramr 72.1, Jeanne Stewart 63.5, Hazel McCall 58.6, Diana Polak 57.9 and Barbara Goff 57.2.

Junior ringer percentages are headed by World Champion Celeste Polak 67.9, Damien Moore 61.7, Doug Macha 57.8, Chris Polak 49.1 and Chad Michum 46.0.

Bob Graham won Class A in the Brazos Classic with 7-2 record and 61.5 percentage. Arionus finished second with tournament high 68.8%. Hazel McCall won the women's title with 6-1 record and 57.9. Chad Michum won the Junior Class A crown (5-1, 32.2).

### PENNSYLVANIA

In 1898 the World's first horseshoe pitching league was formed in Meadville, Pennsylvania. Harry Browning was chosen as secretary. For 61 consecutive years, he kept immaculate records of all league events. Just before his death in 1968 he turned all his records over to the NHPA. The PA State Horseshoe Pitchers Association was organized in 1927.

The 1969 World Tournament was held in Erie. Danny Kuchcinski of Erie became the first person to win a World Tournament in his own hometown. Danny won all 35 of his games and had a ringer percentage of 84.7.

### TENNESSEE

Jack Freeman's Joelton courts near Nashville hosted ten open and one invitational sanctioned tournaments last winter. Walter Ray Williams, Jr. played in the Bill and Paula Hunsicker Open February 13, then hosted his own event the following day. Included in the participants were the reigning Women's World Champion Sue Snyder, former Men's World Champion Don Titcomb, now from Kentucky, plus other Kentucky pitchers Ron Powell, Lois Webster and Charlie Meredith, Jack Freeman (TN), Jack Henderson (AL), Chad Hyatt (IN), and Don Peters (IL).

In the final game Walter and Sue pitched 104 shoes before Williams won. He had 96 ringers for a 92.31% and Sue pitched 90 ringers for 86.54.

Freeman's courts averaged 40 pitchers per tournament. Shannon Banks is the 1993 Men's Indoor Champion. Maxine Griffith is the first women's indoor champion.

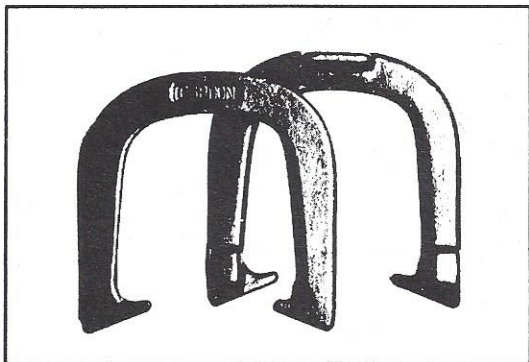
### UTAH

In the current ringer percentages top five, John Bracken leads the field with 68.7%. Others in the top five are Lorin Condie 63.1, Shirley Steffen 60.4, A. Lee Jones 58 and Gordon Lytle 55.

Jeffery Coulter has 31.3 to lead the juniors followed by Stacey Glendon 24.3 and Seth Ohms 16.8. Stacey Glendon has the most wins (14) and was the most improved, up 7.8.

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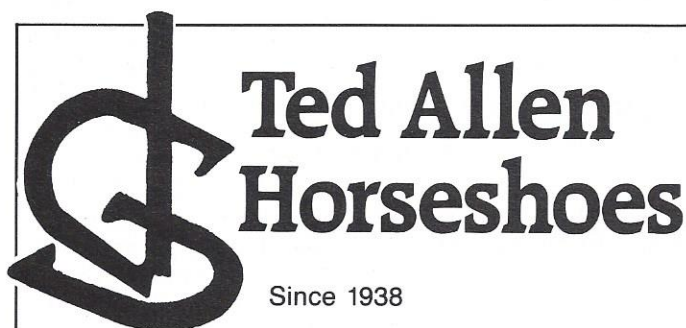




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## Charter Chatter *Utah continued...*

For 1992 Shirley Steffen had the most total ringers—2930. Husband J.J. tossed the most shoes—6162 which adds up to 15,405 pounds of 7.7 tons or iron. He walked nearly 24 miles. Did you ever wonder why J.J. has such long arms and legs?

For the adults Keith Thomas improved 15.4% and had the most wins—14.

## VIRGINIA

Twenty-one Virginia horseshoe pitchers were among 187 flingers who participated in the 25th Annual Dogwood Festival at Statesville, N.C. in April at the Jack H. Springer Courts in Lakewood Park.

Floyd Hix, Jr. of Ruther Glen, Virginia received recognition and a plaque for participating in all of the annual events. Regional Director Earl Waggy gave thanks to Floyd for his love of horseshoes and his participation for so many consecutive years. Waggy, by the way, attended his first Dogwood Tourney and tied for second in his class.

## WASHINGTON

Peter Clark won the Winetrot Number 6 tournament on a playoff with Herb Criss. Clark completed the eight games with a 73.1%. Former Colorado junior champion Jed Pexton won Class B with 6-1 record and 59.64 percentage.

Pacific Northwest Champion Criss closed with an even 70%. Art Sperber, 1992 World Intermediate champion was fourth, NHPA 2nd VP Barry Chapelle was fifth, and former major league baseball pitcher Gerry Staley was 7th. What a lineup.

Sperber and Clark completed the 6-tournament series with three wins each and Sperber took the overall title in a 20-shoe win over Clark. The sixth tournament and playoff were held on March 28.

The women's champion was Verna Hisey and Mark Ruprecht won the junior title.

## WISCONSIN

John Udelhofen won first place in Class A in the Sports Arena open April 3-4 with a 63.4 percentage. Lorraine Sternberg was second (61.3). Heidi Sternberg pitched 55.5 to win the junior class. 94 pitchers filled the Arena courts for the two day event. Heidi tied Ray Hill of Wakefield, Michigan for high game with 80%. The outstanding performer was John Crook of Spring Green who pitched 13.18% over his entering percentage.

Jane Smith outlasted Edie McKinney to win top spot in Class A in the Spring meeting tournament.

Tom Steinke of Waukesha tops the list for Player of the Year award. He has 222 points, a 32.4 percentage, up 9.32.

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Sam and Jane Gilbert are living in Fleming, Colorado today, but their journey to this northeastern high plains area of Colorado is interesting. The most unlikely hamlet in Colorado is also the location for the newest joint horseshoe club in Colorado, Haxton-Fleming. Members are excited about the game, the Sanctioned League Status and the fellowship of the activities which are the core of our game within the NHPA. Sam is a member of the horseshoe club there, and the reason for this story.

From 1976-88, Sam's travels have taken him from Bethel, CT to Beaverton, OR, and into Commerce City, CO as well as Fort Collins and then Fleming. This journey was done through long-haul-trucking into all 48 continental states. Sam has driven Macks, Peterbuilts, Freightliners, Kenworths, and WT-900 Fords with various carriers including Digby and Monfort. For 12 years Sam traveled highways and biways while three of those years Jane rode with him. Though happy not to be on the long hauls any longer, they had little choice in that decision.

On July 13, 1988 Sam and Jane were returning to their home in Fort Collins from Greeley, traveling upon their Harley Davidson, when suddenly a vehicle crossed in front of their travel way. Sam was in the Northern Colorado Medical Center in Greeley for three months and 15 days while Jane recovered from a broken pelvis and seven fractured bones. Sam lost his vision permanently in that accident, but neither of them lost their love for each other, their family, and their friends. Sam continued rehabilitation at the Colorado Rehabilitation Center in Denver for the ensuing six months while Jane and their friends moved them to their home in Fleming.

The Haxton-Fleming Horseshoe Club has courts in both communities. The word of the game in the area came to Sam, and Alvin Schuman made arrangements for Sam to join the club and play the game under NHPA sanctioned rules. In league and tournament play, Sam pitches from 40 feet. He listens for the clink of the stake provided by a member from the other



## THE "WILL TO DO" WITH COURAGE, CHARACTER, AND GRACE

by John Huntzinger

stake 40 feet away. He creates a mental image of the stake from memory of when he pitched with vision, connecting the sound with direction to the stake 40 feet away. He mentally sees the stake and physically remembers the rhythm. The placement of his pitch is vocally sent to him where upon he adjusts his mental image and rhythm to pitch his second and subsequent shoes. He doesn't seem to think this is, "any big deal" and is offended to think he could pitch from 30 feet. We only need to think about Don Titcomb to realize the blindfolded "trick and fancy" shooting exhibitions are done in the same manner.

Sam Gilbert is no Walter Ray Williams or Don Titcomb, but neither NHPA Hall of Famer play the game for the same reason Sam Gilbert does. Sam does the game because it is there, it is something to do, and he believes he can play the game in the same manner without vision as he did with vision. That gives Sam the edge for the

"Will To Do" with courage, character, and grace!

Reflecting upon the accident, Sam reveals he may not have appreciated his vision. He does not consider himself handicapped, rather he is just restricted to enjoy the many things he remembers doing without consciously appreciating the complete experience. It may be this fact that has sharpened his appreciation for life itself, and for the love and respect he has for Jane, Sonja his daughter, and son 'JW'.

Sam did technical training in diesel mechanics while attending the Henry Abbott Technical School near Danbury, CT in his youth. His interest in machines has

motivated him to open an automotive maintenance and sale service out of his home and garage in Fleming. He also shoots trap by a similar technique he uses in horseshoe pitching hitting as high as 48% hits! He does nearly anything he wants to do and sets his mind to accomplish. If Sam gets bored, he will fill that void with any activity.

It is our fortune, the Colorado HPA and the NHPA, that Sam discovered the game was being played in Haxton and Fleming. Furthermore, it is a credit to the members of the club there that the NHPA Sanctioned League play has become a focus of activity and growth in both communities. Haxton is planning a remodeling of their main street pitching facility, and Fleming is developing one of the most attractive facilities in Colorado. Within a few years this group will be hosting Sanctioned Tournaments for Colorado and western Nebraska pitchers. Sam is very proud of his third place trophy won in the 1991 Fall Fleming Festival. He is looking forward to the game and activities that go with developing a new facility there in Fleming.

The network of our game is the core of this happening in Haxton and Fleming. Gale Beers of Lodgepole, NE has helped Alvin Schuman develop the records for their club. Alvin is the club secretary and the force for the club this past year. With members like Sam Gilbert, there is little doubt that all their membership will continue to inspire all of us to more fully enjoy the greatest game in the world!





# 1993 Southeastern Regional Huge Success

by Donnie Roberts

192 pitchers from 17 states entered the 1993 NHPA Southeastern Regional held on the Jack Springer Memorial Horseshoe Courts at Lakewood Park in Statesville, North Carolina. North Carolina had 56 players, Ohio had 45, and South Carolina had 28. The weather was wonderful for the largest number of participants ever at the Dogwood Festival Horseshoe Tournament in its 25 year history. Floyd Hix of Virginia received an award for attending all 25. John Brown of Ohio has missed just one.

NHPA Regional Director and North Carolina Secretary-Treasurer, Paul Stewart, served as Tournament Director. The job, done by Paul, with the support of the Statesville Parks & Recreation Department, was outstanding. John Bullard, Parks Director, was on hand to greet many of us. Francis Asher and Carol Brown of Ohio handled all the office work. John Brown of Ohio and Gurney York of North Carolina did all the heavy chores. Ron and Barbara Taylor of South Carolina did the whole event on computer.

Two players qualified for the 1994 United States Championships to be held at the World Tournament. Art Tyson of NY captured the 40 Foot

title at 11-0-83.2. Jim Walters of Ohio took the 30 Foot title with 7-0-80.3.

The total cash purse was \$3100 with \$1300 in trophies.

*Pictured left to right are:* Sharon Morrison—Miss Statesville Dogwood Queen, Art Tyson—1993 Southeastern Regional 40 Foot Champion, Mary Claire

Stanley—Junior Dogwood Queen, Dick Whiteman—Class A Champion, N.A. Moore—Class B Champion, Dave Ackley—Class C Champion, Donnie Roberts—NHPA Secretary Treasurer, Melissa Morrison—Teen Dogwood Queen, Paul Stewart—Tournament Director, Gary Sherrill—Dogwood Festival President.

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# A Guy Who Can't Pitch

by Stewart Snyder

*I call myself a pitcher, now don't laugh, you all who know better.*

*I'm not the kind of pitcher you hang on a wall.*

*but I'm hangin' there nonetheless, Damnit all.*

*I ain't hurtfully disappointed, nevertheless 'twoud be nice to be on top-a-the pack and make ringers that count three.*

*I call myself a pitcher, I've already said.*

*My wife calls me something else at times, and that's sad.*

*In front of innocent friends I dare not repeat her words, they're really sometimes bad.*

*She doesn't call me a pitcher, no.*

*It ain't 'cause she's afraid to pronounce that dirty word.*

*She has other words that mean the same, and spoutin' them she's often heard.*

*I don't blame her for all that vile abuse, for the way I pitch, I've got no excuse.*

*Time was, long ago, I practiced hard to get on top, but fate seemed to haunt me.*

*Try as I did, I've been nothing but a flop.*

*But, as I've said, I ain't no pitcher, hot.*

*My friends think I shud quit,*

*but that ain't makin' me to give up, no it's not.*

*I'll keep throwin' for to win my lot.*

*Didn't I say I couldn't pitch—well, that's no lie,*

*I just throw the shoes, and by gosh, they fly right past the stake in the other pit,*

*or they drop dead in front, short a bit.*

*Now, I mean I can't pitch like Allen, Titcomb, Williams and Mauzey, and everyone knows that I just pitch lousy.*

*Perhaps it's 'cause I fall over, almost,*

*for when I heave that shoe I feel weak as a ghost.*

*Standin' there limp, I feel faint—*

*Good for pitchin' ringers, I know I ain't.*

*Anyhow, I try, 'cause I see other guys do it.*

*But the stake's far away, and again, I blew 't.*

*Now, before you all tire of this nonsensical tirade*

*about me not bein' a pitcher of worthwhile grade,*

*I'll tell you all a story 'bout me 'way up North pitchin' in sand on July 4.*

*Tacoma's courts were ringin' loud, shoes circlin' most every peg, and for a guy who can't pitch, some of them was mine;*

*11 of first 12 shoes,*

*I didn't have to beg.*

*I had him 33 to nothin,' goin' right along*

*when he spoke out in his dusky, apple-pickin' speech.*

*"Man, yo sho deed come to peeche!"*

*Now that song stirred and stirred in my mind—*

*"Man, yo sho deed come to peeche!"*

*From that minute on, I threw and I threw, but couldn't reach that elusive stake that dared catch my shoe.*

*My gosh, I couldn't, just couldn't make it do.*

*When the dratted game was over, the score was 50-33—the 33's me!*

*My opponent was swimmin' in glory,*

*I was left up a tree.*

*Let this be a lesson to you all who pitch,*

*Don't listen to your opponent when he starts to bitch,*

*for, just sure as hell, or cruel as fate,*

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Are you interested in other videos about horseshoe pitching? Y N  
What type? \_\_\_\_\_

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# The Toll of Time

## ELIZABETH BRYSON

Elizabeth "Liz" Bryson of Belle Fourche, South Dakota died March 18, 1993 at the age of 61. Liz was the wife of Clint Bryson, who is the NHPA Regional Director for the states of North and South Dakota. Liz was a member of the South Dakota Horseshoe Pitchers Hall of Fame, being inducted in 1989. She was very active in the local clubs and always extended a helping hand whenever needed. In addition to husband Clint, survivors include a son, daughter and two grandchildren.

## WILLIAM LAWSON JR.

Bill Lawson Jr., age 68, president of the Massachusetts Horseshoe Pitchers Association, died unexpectedly on April 3, 1993. Bill was very involved with many organizations beyond horseshoe pitching and served them well. He was a sports director of the Central Massachusetts Special Olympics, vice president of the Norco

Sportsmen's Club in Princeton, a member of the Shrewsbury Sportsmen's Club and the Worcester Surf Casters Club. He also was a former Cub Scout leader of Pack 63 and Troop 63 in the Worcester affiliate of the Boy Scouts of America. Bill retired in 1985 from the Norton Co. where he had worked for 35 years. He was a Navy veteran who was born and schooled in Worcester. He lived many years in Auburn and Boylston. Bill leaves his wife of 40 years, Barbara, three sons, three grandchildren and numerous other family members including his father, William Lawson Sr.

## JIM READER

We lost a friend this year! Jim Reader was a reliable member, an enthusiastic pitcher and one of the nicest gentlemen that we ever met. We were sorry that he went through such a difficult time, but he handled it with optimism, courage and grace.

Jim was proud to be a member of the Floyd Horseshoe Club, the New York State Horseshoe Pitchers Association and the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, and we who have survived him were honored to know him. He set an example as a member, a worker, as a competitor and a friend, that is seldom found.

## DUAINE WHITMER

Florida members were saddened to hear of the passing of Duaine Whitmer, who died March 6, 1993 at age 68. Born in Oblong, Illinois, he left that state in 1954 for Florida, taking up residence in Winter Haven. A graduate of Western Illinois University and the University of Florida, Duaine was coordinator of adult education for Polk County Schools. He was the founder of the Auburn-dale Horseshoe Club and a 1978 Florida State Champion. In 1981 he won the World Class "C" Championship in Huntsville, averaging 73.1%.



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# Special Tournament Results

## Southeastern Regional Statesville, North Carolina April 11-17, 1993

40' Championship Group		%
1. Art Tyson	NY 11-0	83.15
2. Mike Demartino	NY 8-3	76.12
3. Rick Cale	WV 8-3	74.84
4. Roger Lane Foley	VA 8-3	66.77
5. Norman Kelly	SC 7-4	70.63
6. John Bugardus	NY 6-5	64.96
7. Clyde Southern	NC 5-6	67.70
8. Richard Martino	TN 4-7	59.30
9. Alvin Perry	VA 3-8	66.98
10. Doug Kienia	ME 3-8	61.53
11. Tommy Gann	NC 2-9	59.64
12. Ross Perry	VA 1-10	58.81

30' Championship Group		%
1. Jim Walters	OH 7-0	80.32
2. Elaine Hansen	CT 6-1	65.67
3. Lenwood Conner Jr.	VA 5-2	74.54
4. Henry Hostetler	OH 3-4	64.84
5. Sue Twyman	NY 2-5	62.10
6. Amy Brown	OH 2-5	60.56
7. Troy Messer	NC 2-5	52.58
8. Renee Cowan	VA 1-6	56.42

Other Group Winners			
30' A Iris Sandham	GA	7-0	62.14
30' B Julie Walters	OH	5.5-.5	52.08
30' C Judy Brittain	NC	5-2	28.21
30' D Letta Washburn	KS	6-1	23.57
40' A Dick Whiteman	OH	9-2	64.54
40' B N.A. Moore	NC	8-2	64.19
40' C Dave Ackley	OH	10-1	60.69
40' D John Carpenter	NC	5-2	51.07
40' E Arnold Griffith	WV	6-1	58.92
40' F1 Fred Brown	OH	5-1	51.66
40' F2 Bob Gray	OH	7-1	42.85
40' G Keith Queen	SC	6-1	46.78
40' H Dave Pickett	NC	6-1	43.21
40' I Randy Joins	NC	7-1	40.35
40' J Mark Buchanan	TN	6-1	47.50
40' K Lester Maness	NC	7-0	50.35
40' L Buddy Brock	SC	7-0	41.07
40' M William Walker	NC	7-0	36.78
40' N Bill Walden	NC	7-1	29.64
40' O Mike Wallace	NC	6-1	25.35

## Northeastern Regional Fairmont, WV May 29-31

30' Championship			
1. Lenwood Conner Jr.	VA	10-0	80.4
2. Amy Brown	OH	7-3	71.6

40' Championship			
1. Rick Cale	WV	14-1	76.5
2. Elden Sarbaugh	OH	12-3	71.8

Other Group Winners			
B Men Arnold Griffith	WV	6-1	57.0
C Men Larry Shaw	OH	7-0	56.1
D Men Charles Bunner	WV	8-2	53.9
E Men Stanley Mellinger	PA	5-2	45.7
F Men Everett Buehner	OH	7-0	40.4
G Men Charlie Loucks	NY	6-1	38.9
H Men Ed Kucharski	OH	6-2	34.5
I Men Pete Bennett	OH	7-0	27.8
B Women Linda Shaw	OH	6-1	48.0
C Women Toni Kucharski	OH	8-1	30.7
A Jr. Stephen Cale	WV	3-0	30.0
B Jr. Steve Cramer	PA	5-1	10.5

## Arizona State Championship April 3, 1993

Championship Class			
Nathan Williams		5-2	61.22

Other Group Winners			
40' A Bob Bates		4-1	56.15
40' B Gary Chalberg		4-1	45.87
40' C Jerry Howard		5-1	33.33
40' D Cal Cordes		5-0	40.27
40' E Richard Morse		5-1	31.25
40' F Mike Mascarenas		4-1	24.50
40' G George Duchon		4-1	22.50
40' H John Bird		4-1	26.50
Women A Dolly Shanley		5-0	50.41
Women B Virginia Chalberg		3-2	43.33
Women C Emalene Pearce		1-4	35.65
30' Men F.D. Voyce		6-1	44.72

## Tennessee "Indoor State" Joelton, TN March 27, 1993

Men's State Indoor Champion			
Shannon Banks		7-0	67.80

Men's 30' Champion			
Grady Cook		2-3	21.60

Women's State Indoor Champion			
Maxine Griffith		5-1	46.67

Jr. Boys State Indoor Champion			
Shea Lebow		1-4	15.20

Other Group Winners			
B Loyd Wyatt		5-0	50.00
C Melvin Cooper		4-1	46.40
D Walter Edmonds		5-0	36.00
E Abbot Kemp		5-0	38.40
F Larry Perry		5-1	23.67
Women B Paula Hunsicker		4-1	44.40





# Special Events Calendar

## JULY

- 2-5 Ringer Classic** — Greenville, OH. Big \$\$\$ prizes. Entry \$15.00 payable to Darke County HC. All fees must be received by June 19 deadline. Mail fee, NHPA card # and 3 high data to Joel Loy, 628 Southbrook Dr., Greenville, OH 45331.
- July 17 Pre-World Warm-up** — Sundance, WY (35 miles west of Spearfish). Entry fee \$12.00. Contact Dick Wilson (307) 283-2036 after 5 p.m. MST.
- 18 Pre-World Warm-up II** — Belle Fourche, SD (10 miles north of Spearfish). Entries limited to first 64, fee \$10.00. Contact Royal Adamson (605) 892-4925.
- 19-Aug. 1 NHPA World Tournament** — Spearfish, SD. Pre-register by May 17th. Entry \$50.00. See March/April 1993 *Newsline* for format details & registration form.

## AUGUST

- 6-22 Ohio State Fair Governor's Open** — Columbus, OH. \$10,000 purse. Preregister by July 2. Adults \$25, Jrs. free. Mixed Event. Top 16 players to advance to Championship Division for play Aug. 21-22. More info Donnie Roberts, tournament director 614-444-8510.
- 28-29 Central Regional** — Iowa State Fairgrounds, Des Moines, IA. \$2500 added purse. Preregister by August 10. Entry fee \$25, Juniors \$5. Send to

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## SEPTEMBER

- 11-12 Raymond Frye Memorial** — Winchester, VA. \$1,000+ purse. Preregister by Aug. 28. Entry fee \$15 to Garland Peck Jr., P.O. Box 2141, Winchester, VA 22604. (703) 662-8416 or 722-3260.
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## JANUARY 1994

- 9-13 Las Vegas/Hacienda Open** — Las Vegas, NV. Entry forms and information available from tournament directors Don Weaver (702) 736-7348 or Donnie Roberts 614-444-8510.

## JULY 1994

- 25-Aug. 7 NHPA World Tournament** — New York State Fairgrounds, Syracuse, NY.

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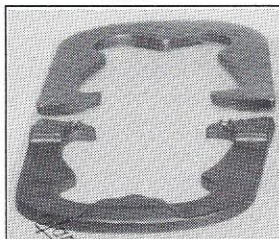
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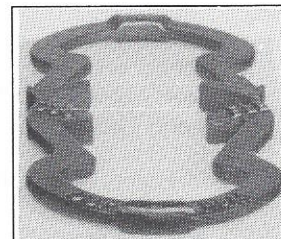
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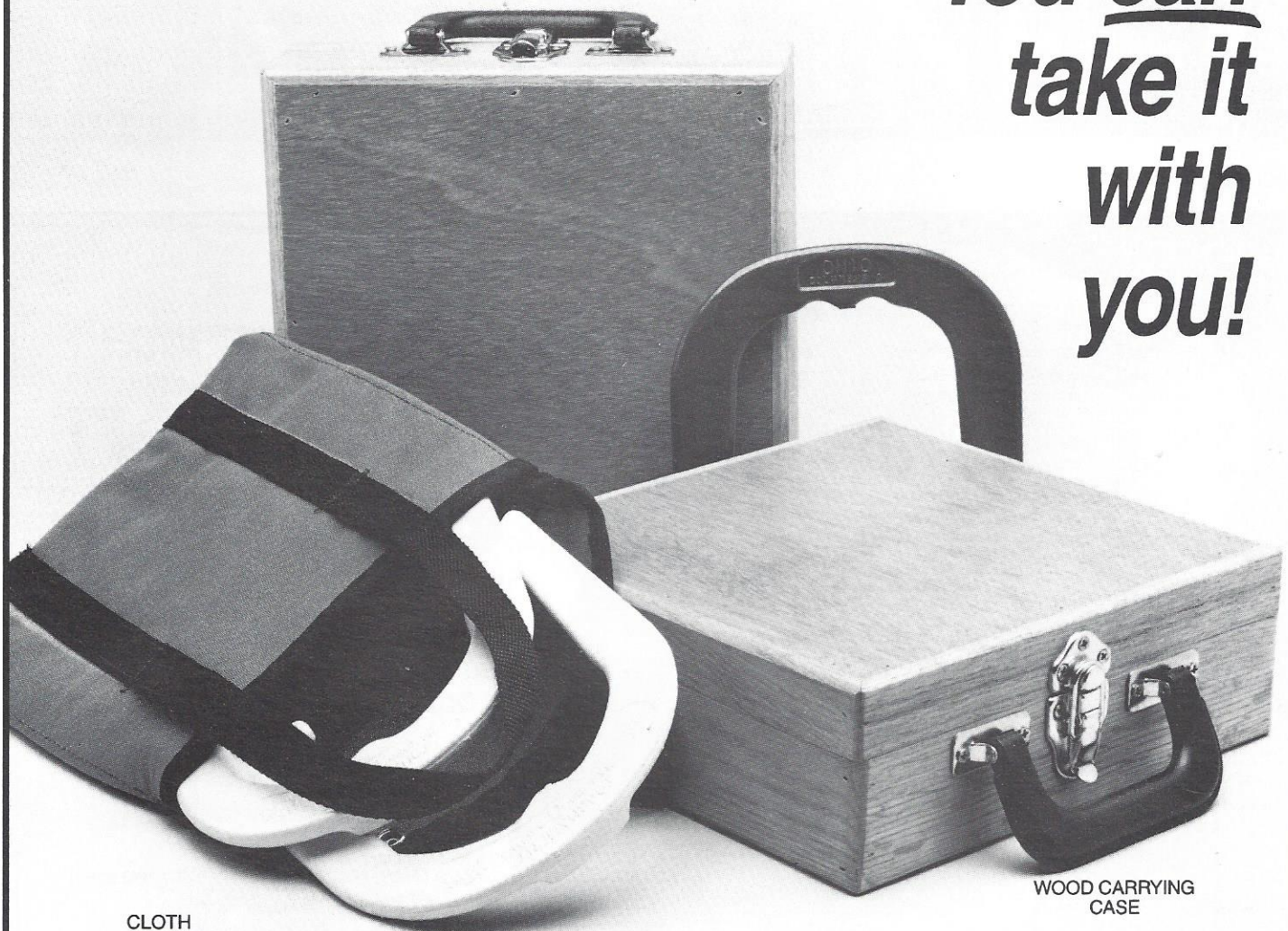
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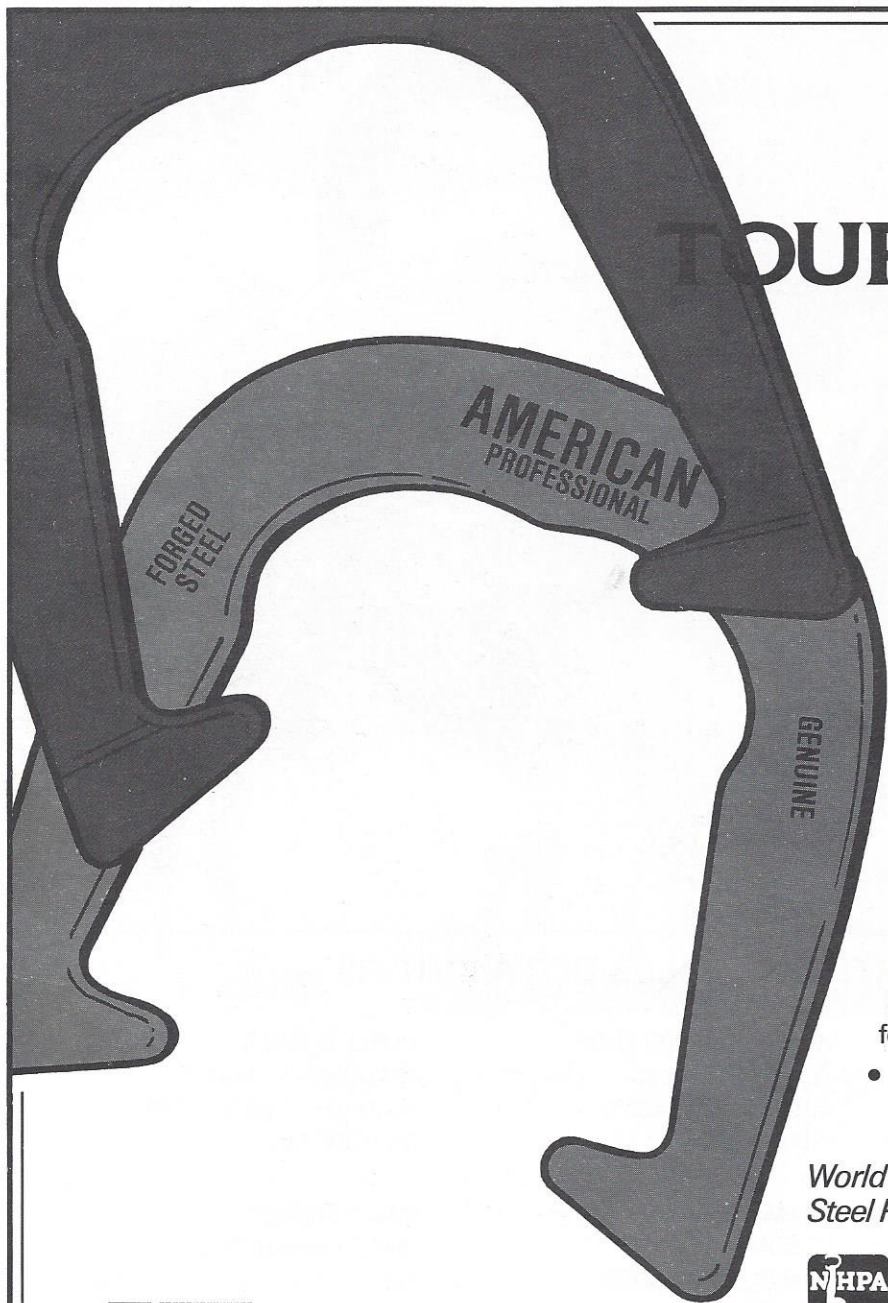


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