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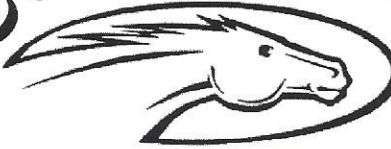
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## ON THE COVER

The New Hampshire Horseshoe Pitcher's Association presented its Hall of Fame award to Tom Blake of Keene for his contributions to the sport as a reporter. Blake, a freelance writer, covered the 1965, 1968 and 1974 World Championship Tournaments of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association for the Keene *Sentinel*. Since the early 1960s he has written about activities of the Keene Horseshoe Club, and also state and New England tournaments. The award presentation was made by Tom Booth of Pembroke representing the NHPA on the grounds of the Nashua Horseshoe Club.

# President's Message

Greenville, here we come. Are you planning to attend the 1999 World Tournament? I think you should, as this will be a good one, most likely with the largest attendance ever. But don't let that concern you—Greenville is prepared and can take all the entrants we throw at them.

During the first three days of October, Dick Hansen, myself and our spouses were in Greenville for a site inspection. We met with the Darke County Horseshoe Club President Jim McCombs, his lovely wife Jenny, and several committee members who have worked long and hard to bring the '99 event to their city. Greenville is no stranger to World Tournaments. They previously hosted the 1962, '64, '72 and '77 Worlds on their beautiful 18 courts in the city park, site of the annual Ringer Classic. But 1999 will be a bit different. For one thing, the entry level will be 3 or 4 times what they previously had and the majority of pitching this time will be indoors.

We toured the Darke County Fairgrounds and closely examined 8-10 buildings that the committee had proposed for possible use. Three were selected to house 16 portable courts in each. A fourth was selected to hold 8 portable practice courts. A fifth building, in the middle, was selected for the NHPA office, while a sixth was determined suitable for all display vendors, game-related sales, and the website. A seventh building will be used for shoe check-in and group photos before the players go to their courts. Finally, a small building with three indoor courts will be used for class play-off games. Don't let the thought of eight buildings concern you. They are close to one another and an overview map included as part of the schedule will identify them. Walk in a circle and you'll pass all the buildings except the one with the eight practice courts.

In addition to the designated 48 indoor courts, higher percentage pitchers (Championship and most Class "A") should expect to do most, if not all, of their pitching on the 18 outdoor courts in the city park about ten minutes drive from the

fairgrounds. These are great courts and many of the better pitchers have expressed the desire to play there, weather permitting. The city has also requested some daily competition on the city courts as they have spent additional dollars upgrading and preparing the area for competition. Consider also, that with an expected turnout of 2000+ pitchers, at least 64 courts are needed to prevent around the clock play on just 48 indoor courts. The top finalists in all classes can expect to receive some of the most unique trophies ever presented at a World Tournament. They were designed and created locally by a Darke County HC member whose talent and related business is respected nationwide. We viewed production from start to finish. The process was amazing.

The Fairgrounds has 9 clay practice courts between the pitching buildings and the RV park which most campers will love. In addition, there are 12 courts at the Knights of Columbus and when competition is not underway, the 18 city park courts will be available for practice. All these courts are in-ground and only the city park courts have short distance pads.

While Greenville itself has less than 200 motel rooms, there are up to 500 within a 20-30 minute drive. A town locator map with phone numbers can be found in this issue. To give you an idea of distance, Dayton is about 35 miles from Greenville. If you plan to fly in, you can select the best fares and schedule from Dayton, Cincinnati, Columbus or Indianapolis airports, all of which are from 35 to 120 miles from Greenville.

Because of the expected size of this tournament and use of different pitching locations, the NHPA anticipates some logistics problems. It should not adversely affect the pitchers if they read their schedule instructions and familiarize themselves with grounds layout. We are investigating the costs of going back to name paddles and also collecting all scorekeeping money up front as part of the entry fee. So don't be surprised if the entry fee increases to \$100.

## Dave's Court Report

■ I would like to extend my personal gratitude and that of the NHPA to Elmer Otnes of Oregon City, Oregon. Elmer, at the end of this year, will step down from the presidency of the Oregon Charter, a position he has held for nearly all of the last 25 years. Under his leadership, Oregon grew into one of the NHPA's best run charters while offering Northwest players a great variety of tournaments in which to pitch. Thanks for all the time and hard work, Elmer.

■ Eligible men thinking about a move up to a shorter pitching distance should keep in mind that a new NHPA bylaw says you must have four events completed at the new short distance to be eligible for the World. It used to be two events at the new distance along with two at the old full distance. If you move up, you must remain a short distance pitcher for all of the membership year.

■ Former 3-time World Champion and legendary Indiana pitcher Curt Day has become the latest of a small but growing number to qualify for lifetime NHPA membership. Congratulations to Curt for reaching the 50 year milestone.

■ Some members will perhaps be concerned to learn that the

NHPA VISA card issued through MBNA will be discontinued when the card reaches its expiration date. While holders will be offered a new MBNA card, the royalty agreement with the NHPA is being canceled due to excessive delinquent accounts.

■ The NHPA is proud to honor some of its members for service above and beyond the norm. We do this each year by selecting nominated individuals who have provided outstanding service at the Charter or National levels. Charter service might bring an NHPA Achievement Award. Outstanding National service could lead to the Stokes or Hall of Fame Award. Do you have a worthy candidate in mind? If so, nominate them by sending a written detail of their service to the sport. Hall of Fame nominees should be sent to 1st VP Earl Winston while Achievement nominees should be sent to President Dave Loucks. All nominees shall have their reported service evaluated for qualification before being added to the voting list of candidates. Selection is not guaranteed.

■ I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family members a *very happy holiday season!*

# NHPF Contribution Update

by Dave Loucks

In the two months following the report in the last issue, 41 contributions totaling \$1,715 have been received. Twelve of those came from just two states—Minnesota and Michigan—who sent six each. In Minnesota, Art Moran, whose primary source of income is his Social Security, continues to send \$10.00 every month. It's good to know that some members see the importance of supporting the NHPF, while others appear unwilling to care. In nearly two years, a total of only 234 individual contributions have been received from just 35 states. One only has to look at the following list to see several large membership states with only a couple of donations, or none at all.

The Foundation has yet to receive its first contribution from the states of Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, Delaware, Georgia, Hawaii, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Mississippi, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Vermont and Utah. The New England states, where some of our finest pitchers reside, are noticeably slow in contributions. Take away the \$3,800 donation by Ed Domey and the whole of New England, with about 1,000 members, has sent in just four checks totaling \$149. There are ten other states with just one or two contributions.

Come on folks, the delegates representing most of the charters and a large majority of the membership voted to support a charitable foundation if we could establish it to accept tax deductible donations and one day construct a National Horseshoe Pitchers Hall of Fame. We have accomplished the first step, but need your contributions to build an endowment fund sufficient to take further positive steps toward seeing the Hall of Fame become a reality. Send your tax deductible contribution now to the NHPF, 140 Sierra Blanca Ct., Grass Valley, CA 94945.

Since our last report, \$10 or more contributions have been received from:

## Donating \$10-30

Arthur Moran, MN  
Riverside Horseshoe League, MI  
Anonymous, WI  
Jim and Helen Wilcoxon, WV  
Jeff Birchfield, TN  
Charles Blevins, TN

Ray Duncan, TN  
Bobby Fields, TN  
Jim Gibson, TN  
Steve Gunter, TN  
Clint Bryson, SD  
Duane Goodrich, KS  
Gail Sluys, CA  
Bob and Loretta Garber, OH  
Joe Kubiak, AZ  
Kent Armstrong, MO

Bill Marvin, IL  
Charles Bunner, WV  
Elmer Otnes, OR  
Robert Carr, MI  
Bev Nathe, MN  
Robert Yamnicky, CT  
Brian Fisher, OH  
Ron Kohn, MI

## Donating \$35-50

John Decker, MI  
Rick Rebman, OR  
Marty Dunn, CA

## Donating \$100

Het Birchfield, TN  
Kevin Cone, IA  
Art Holter, MN  
Horseshoe Traders, MN

## Donating \$225-250

Steve and Paula Summerlin, MI  
NHPF Tournament Fund Raiser, WI  
William Backer, CA

## Total of 234 Contributions

plus court fees, ticket sales and misc. donations as of 10/5/98 **\$34,893**

## How your state ranks in contributions:

1. Tennessee, 14 for \$10,880
2. California, 29 for \$4,559
3. Massachusetts, 3 for \$3,925
4. Missouri, 15 for \$1,405
5. Wisconsin, 13 for \$1,188
6. Minnesota, 22 for \$975
7. North Carolina, 12 for \$730
8. Oregon, 8 for \$674
9. Michigan, 12 for \$625
10. Ohio, 22 for \$542
11. Colorado, 7 for \$487
12. Washington, 3 for \$400
13. New York, 4 for \$295
14. Florida, 5 for \$255
15. Pennsylvania, 7 for \$240
16. Texas, 2 for \$200
17. Kansas, 6 for \$196
18. Illinois, 10 for \$185
19. Iowa, 4 for \$185
20. Wyoming, 3 for \$182
21. New Jersey, 3 for \$165
22. South Carolina, 5 for \$125
23. Idaho, 2 for \$125
24. Nevada, 2 for \$115
25. Oklahoma, 3 for \$100
26. New Mexico, 1 for \$100

27. Indiana, 3 for \$90
28. South Dakota, 3 for \$61
29. West Virginia, 3 for \$55
30. Kentucky, 2 for \$50
- 31., 32. tie. Montana, Nebraska, 1 ea./\$50
33. Virginia, 1 for \$25
34. Connecticut, 2 for \$24
35. Arizona, 1 for \$14

## Wisconsin Fund Raiser for NHPF

What is hoped to be the first annual NHPA Benefit Tournament was held the weekend of Aug. 29-30 at the Fieldhouse restaurant and bar, Caledonia, WI, on their 7 sand courts. Even though the tournament only had 39 pitchers entered, small for a Wisconsin tournament, I think it was a successful event for two reasons.

The number one reason would be that there are now at least 39 NHPA members that know what the NHPF stands for. And, secondly, we did manage to raise \$250 for the NHPF. Thanks mostly to an anonymous donation of \$150 made to the tournament to help offset cost, add to the prize money or just donate to the NHPF.

The tournament was co-sponsored by the Fieldhouse and Firststar Bank. The Fieldhouse gave a reduced price on the menu and beer to all horseshoe pitchers for the weekend. And, of course, the horseshoe courts at no cost. Firststar Bank donated the trophies and 25 door prizes that were given out three or four to a class by drawing.

Class A was won by Lorraine Sternberg, the WHPA State Champ with a 74.23%. Second went to Don Kangas, the Men's State Champ with the same percentage. New member, Bob Distad of Racine, could be heard asking when the next tournament was. He was pitching in his first NHPA sanctioned tournament and won Class E with a 6-0 record and averaged 29%, one point under what he entered. He will be back for more.

Look for next year's tournament to be bigger and better. If one tournament with only 39 pitchers can raise \$250, just think what we could do if every charter did the same! The key word is benefit. The bank was not even interested until they were told it was a benefit tournament. Try it, it works! *Dick Hansen*

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# Regional Directors Report

by Paul Stewart

Shoe checking at this year's World indicated a small improvement from the year before. Each year we seem to have fewer shoes that won't pass. Of the 3,597 shoes checked, only 85 did not pass, or just 2.36%. Most of the shoes that didn't pass were used shoes and some of them were very used. We have very few new shoes that fail to pass anymore. Shoe checking keeps the manufacturers in compliance with NHPA standards on horseshoes.

## 1998 Shoe Checking Results

Brand	Total Shoes	# Defective	% Defective
DEADEYE	894	2	.02
ALLEN	609	33	5.4
DIAMOND	516	2	.04
IMPERIAL	338	2	.06
M&M	239	12	5.0
GORDON	141	4	2.8
CAL FLIP	137	5	3.6
HENTON	104	4	3.8
AMERICAN	98	2	2.0
GLORY	95	0	0
OHIO	74	2	2.7
SIX PAC	70	0	0
MUSTANG	65	2	3.1
ELMER HOHL	36	9	25
OTHERS	181	6	3.3
TOTAL	3,597	85	2.36

We have two long-time Regional Directors who are stepping down. One is **Earl Vansant**, of **Ohio**; the other is **Len Lipovsky** of **Minnesota**. Not only have these two gentlemen been hard workers for the NHPA and their Regions, they have become my close friends in horseshoe. Thanks for your many years of service to the NHPA, Earl and Len. We will miss you both.

We also have another Regional Director that has stepped down. **Ray Matlock**, RD for **Maryland** and **Delaware** has resigned. Thanks Ray for your years of service to the NHPA.

**Retraction:** In the Sept./Oct. *Newsline* I stated that the Regional Directors meeting was held during a break in the World Tournament. It was actually held during a pitching shift Saturday morning and some of the RDs and ARDs were pitching at the time and couldn't attend. I apologize for this. I will try to schedule the RD meeting at a more convenient time next year.

Also, I listed everyone in attendance at the meeting and failed to say which were RDs and ARDs and which were guests. **RDs:** Ronnie Fredrick (OK), Duane Goodrich (KS), Joe Kubiak (AZ), Len Lipovsky (MN), Rick Rebman (OR, WA, ID), Bud Schardine (UT), Jim Shilling (IN), Steve Summerlin (MI), **ARDs:** Shirley Steffen (UT). **Guests:** George Nichols, Jr. (AR), Earl Waggy (VA), John Passmore (MD).

## From The Mail Bag

**Kevin Snelgrove**, RD for **Virginia**, reports that after concern about stake heights was voiced at one of their tournaments and the resulting measurements indicated improvements might be necessary, **Kenny Hall**, VaHPA President asked that Kevin perform an inspection of all courts in Virginia that are holding sanctioned tournaments during 1998. Kevin completed those inspections between July 24-August 2.

Prior to each inspection visit he contacted at least one club member of the club involved and asked that they personally attend the inspection. The initial reaction to the project was mixed. "What does he think he's doing?..." to "It's about time someone uniformly addressed this issue."

With club members involved in the inspections, many of the clubs had started work correcting things before they ever received the reports! Good news: the Winchester Club (hosting the State Tournament) called the day Kevin mailed the reports to say that the club turned out in-force and all of their courts' concerns had been fixed already. All of the other clubs have corrected or are in the process of correcting the courts in concern. Good job, Kevin.

**Rick Bolick**, **N. Carolina** RD, says things are looking up for pitchers in the eastern half of the state. They plan on having two new sanction tournament locations next year—Peters Creek and Carrboro. Both sites are well-qualified for sanctioned tournaments and should help in picking up new members from the eastern part of the state.

**Clint Bryson**, **RD, N. Dakota** and **S. Dakota**, reports 54 players showed up for their first tournament, held on the new courts in Pierre, SD. Some of these courts are still under construction. Plans are to have all the courts completed soon. This will be the location for the 1999 SD State Tournament.

**Ken Wilhelm**, **W. Virginia** RD, says the site of the Head-of-the-Mon-River/Memorial Weekend Tournament is being estimated by a local contractor to the Marion County Parks and Recreation Commission, for the purpose of placing a roof over the 14 permanent courts, located in the East Marion Recreation Park, Fairmont, WV. The project

is being coordinated by Beverly Tiano, Davis Woodard and Charles M. Bunner.

**Jim Shilling**, RD from **Indiana**, reports that representatives from the Classic City Horseshoe Club located near Spencerville, IN, built a horseshoe court for the Navistar Corporation in Fort Wayne, IN. Navistar is an Engineering Division for International Trucks out of Chicago, IL. They have facilities all over the country. A company picnic was held on Aug. 14, at the Fort Wayne location. Three hundred employees from many states were in attendance. **Jim Parks**, **Wayne Slavin**, **Don Musser** and **John Gamble**, all members of the Classic City Horseshoe Club pitched. **Dave Carroll**, club treasurer and **Jim Shilling**, club coordinator, gave points and handed out information on the game of horseshoe.

Jim feels there is opportunity to promote horseshoes to companies and factories that promote physical fitness. It provides exercise, competition, and something to do during lunch hour, etc.

International Trucks in Chicago is considering putting indoor courts in one of their buildings. Large companies think nothing of spending money for such activates. It is a tax write-off.

This is a promotion challenge to all NHPA members. Contact the activity director at your local companies, factories, etc. and promote our game!

**Allen Baptist**, **Colorado** RD reports that on August 15, the Cortez Horseshoe Club held their first sanctioned tournament—a walking doubles tournament due to limited courts—with 36 entries and an added purse of \$300. They held a non-sanctioned Calcutta Tournament, Sunday, with another \$300 added purse. Saturday night, the club had a steak dinner for the competitors, and a band for dancing. **Mindy Rosenbaugh** and **Sherri Franchini** were tournament directors. That weekend a sanctioned tournament was also held by the Edgewater Club in Denver with 42 entries.

**Bud Schardine**, **Utah** RD says the American Fork City ripped out the 9 courts in town for a new library and installed 14 new and better courts at another park. **N. Utah** President, **Jim Woolman**, **Bud** and '15 other people attended the city council meeting and were successful in getting the new courts named the *Phil Jensen Horseshoe Courts*.

# FOCUS ON PROMOTION

## It's Time For Appreciation

by Bob Dunn

For most of the country, the 1998 horseshoe pitching season is over. With the exception of some of the southern areas and for some indoor facilities in the north regions, the season concluded with the state tournament on Labor Day weekend.

Was it a good season? For most it was. And that is due to the effort and

contribution by those who lead the leagues and directed the tournaments. Here is a big salute to all those who contributed to the 1998 season and to the NHPA officers who served us well in 1998 and made the considerable commitment to operating the 1998 World Tournament.

How good was 1998? That certainly

will vary from club to club, but for the NHPA as a whole, growth was not in the picture. That is not to say there was a lack of effort in recruiting. Not by a long shot. It simply says that for the past few years, the efforts we make to recruit new members to our organization barely replace all those who drop out of the sport, retire or fade away.

The lack of measurable growth does state loudly that we are not doing our recruiting in a proper fashion or not enough. Some members have written and given opinion on what and how our promotion should be conducted. Their input certainly varies on what should be done. What's interesting is that none were wrong on their insight. As published in a previous *Newsline*, one member stressed the personal contact with potential prospects and personal invitation to join our sport. While this member is not wrong in judgement, he will not be *right* or his suggestion successful, unless there is follow-through by our membership.

Nearly any reasonable thought or plan will work in the promotion of our sport, if members (in mass) will get out and recruit. We just need everyone to pitch in to help.

Another member has written and prompted action in the advertising mode. Here is input to hit the large numbers and the results will generate increased membership. This too is not wrong, but to be successful, clubs and charters must follow through using the potential of the media for exposure.

The most brilliant idea is just good intention if it isn't followed through on. In turn, the most basic thought or suggestion, if followed through and acted upon, will be successful.

We should take some time for a breather and reflect on this past season—but not lose sight or thought of the coming season. During this off-season, think about what can improve things and recruit new members in your area. Write those thoughts down for then they are no longer intentions, they become goals and objectives. A little more thought on how to carry them out and you have a plan. Follow through in 1999 and we will grow.

Thank you again, to all those who helped out in 1998. Hopefully, everyone will help out in 1999.

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# PROMOTION JOTTINGS

■ A major setback to our potential in promotion occurred at the 1998 Membership Convention when the delegates overwhelmingly voted down the proposal to include the *Newsline* as part of the membership dues. The delegates were sent to the convention under the direction of each charter, with guidance on how to vote. Therefore, each charter must now accept the challenge to increase our *Newsline* subscribership by some other means. With barely 20% of our membership receiving *Newsline*, it is necessary to see that a higher percentage of our membership is informed.

- All charter newsletters should have a *Newsline* subscription form printed in each issue. An example form can be copied from this issue.
- Each Regional Director should see that every club has a supply of *Newsline* subscription forms that will be handed out to each club member.

Reports have been made of the number of subscribers by state, so improvement can be monitored and reported. In my own state, at one time we had over 130 subscribers. That has now reduced to nearly half that number. We, too, have much work to do.

■ Ricky Bolick, Sr. provided our first club profile and an interesting story it is: After competing for two years and making the 140 mile monthly round-trip from North Carolina to the PCA Horseshoe Club events in Clover, South Carolina, a number of local pitchers approached me about forming a club closer to home. Along with my wife Sheila, and Allen Fox, we did all the necessary paper work and contacts to form North Carolina's first official NHPA Sanctioned Club. The club is named after its location in the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountain range in western North Carolina. We received our Sanctioned Club Certificate on March 6, 1993.

In our short history, we have been fortunate to have some of the best pitchers in the NHPA compete in our league events. League champions include Rick Bolick Sr., two-time N.C.

state champion; Tommy Gann, former state champion; NHPA 5th Vice President, Paul Stewart; and former Tennessee state champion, Shannon Foster. Other top pitchers to compete in club tournaments include: N.A. Moore, N.C. state champion; and former champions J.B. Fuller and Joe Young; and S.C. champions A.J. Nave and Norman Kelley.

Also, in recent years, our club members have picked up several National Top Ten Awards. In 1995, Rick Bolick Sr. finished second in high ringer average at 72.36% and third in high game with a 90% game. Ricky Bolick Jr. won the high ringer average in the Junior division in 1994 at 62%. Last to win an award was Shannon Foster in 1996 with a 97.5% game, hitting 39 out of 40 shoes.

■ Finally, my visit to the 1998 World Tournament in Ainsworth was a special moment for me. Receiving the 1998 Arch Stokes Award was an honor I could never imagine. I thank the entire NHPA and whatever I have done to receive this recognition has been my privilege. Thank you all!



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# A Look Back at the World Tournament

by Lorraine Sternberg

Another World Tournament has come and gone. It's always fun to meet up with the friends we've made over the years. There's always a lot of horseshoe talk, and you can usually hear plans for next year's World Tournament throughout the crowd.

This year was a special year for Bob Dunn, who received the Arch Stokes Award at the banquet. Again, I would like to congratulate him for receiving this great honor. Bob has promoted the game of horseshoes for many years and is one reason Minnesota has so many Juniors in their program.

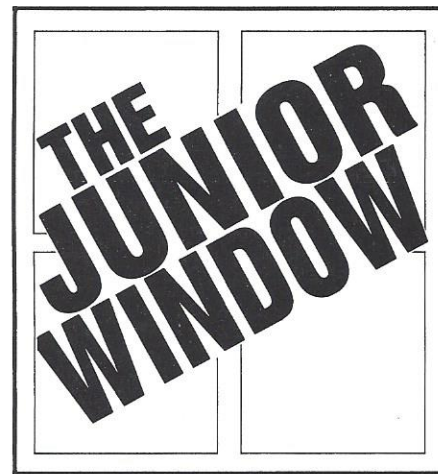
This year, at the World Tournament, I had the opportunity to work the shift when all the Juniors pitched. It was a pleasant experience for me. It gave me a chance to meet many of our Juniors. They were an excellent group of young people. Not having any Junior pitchers in my family anymore, I don't know many of them, but I sure did enjoy being around them. I also learned a few things. Things some of us as adults can improve on. I can honestly say I did not see any poor sportsmanship on the courts. All seemed to be courteous to one another. It's always harder to be a good loser than a good winner. When watching some of the adults pitch, I can't say I saw the same. We all get upset at ourselves at times when things aren't going well with our game, but sometimes grown-ups need to show a

little less emotion on the courts. Swearing to ourselves or whipping around our horseshoe tool isn't going to help put on more ringers.

Talking to some of the Juniors between games, it sounded like most of them worked hard to get ready for the biggest tournament of the year. "Lots of practice, that's what it takes." This was a good personal lesson for myself. It's something I didn't do much of before I came to Nebraska. Sometimes it pays to listen to young people. They do have some good advice. We, as adults, just have to listen. My advice to all adults—take some time out next year and watch our Juniors pitch. Trust me, you will be glad you did. They are our future.

In the Boys Division, Branson Miller won his first World Tournament. He won the title before his last game was played. Watching the excitement he showed was a thrill for all. This is what it's all about. All the long hours of practice paid off for Branson.

The Girls Division went to the very last game between the reigning Girls' World Champ, Rebecca King and Michelle Jarrett. These two girls are used to pitching against each other as they are from the same state and compete against one another for the Oklahoma State title. This year, Michelle Jarrett won the final game for the Girls' World title. It was quite an exciting game to watch. At the end of



the game there were lots of smiles and a few tears. But friendship goes a lot further than a game and Rebecca King's remark "There's always next year" is something for all of us to remember. See you all next year in Ohio.

## Sheyenne Valley Junior Horseshoe League

COOPERSTOWN, NORTH DAKOTA

Paul Hagen, President of Sheyenne Valley Horseshoe Club reports a very successful year in the local Junior Horseshoe league.


This year there were 21 registered Juniors competing on 8 teams sponsored by local businesses. There were 5 Juniors at the World Tournament in Ainsworth in July. All 5 placed 8th or higher in their divisions.

In Class D Juniors, Nick Coles earned second place with 23% ringers and a 13-2 record. Jarred Ronningen placed 8th with a 13.5% and 8-7 record. In Class E, Mark Strand placed first with 22% and a 14-1 record. Garrett Gjesdal placed fourth with an 11-4 record. (Hagen's granddaughter Stephanie of MN placed 3rd in Class E.)

There was very good cooperation with the parents supporting the horseshoe league. For the past several years they have worked with the school system to use the courts for 2 weeks of P.E. for the 7th-9th grades. About 55-70 young people are exposed to horseshoe through this means. We usually pick up 4-8 new Juniors for our summer season.

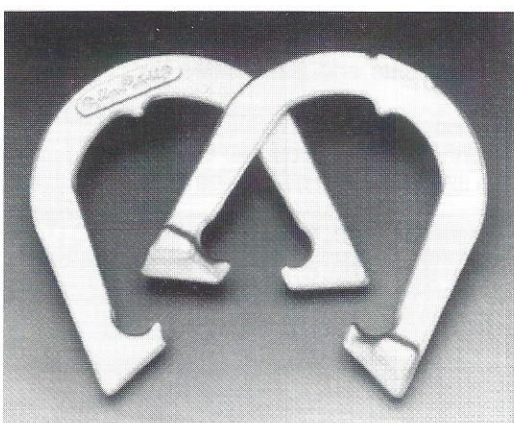
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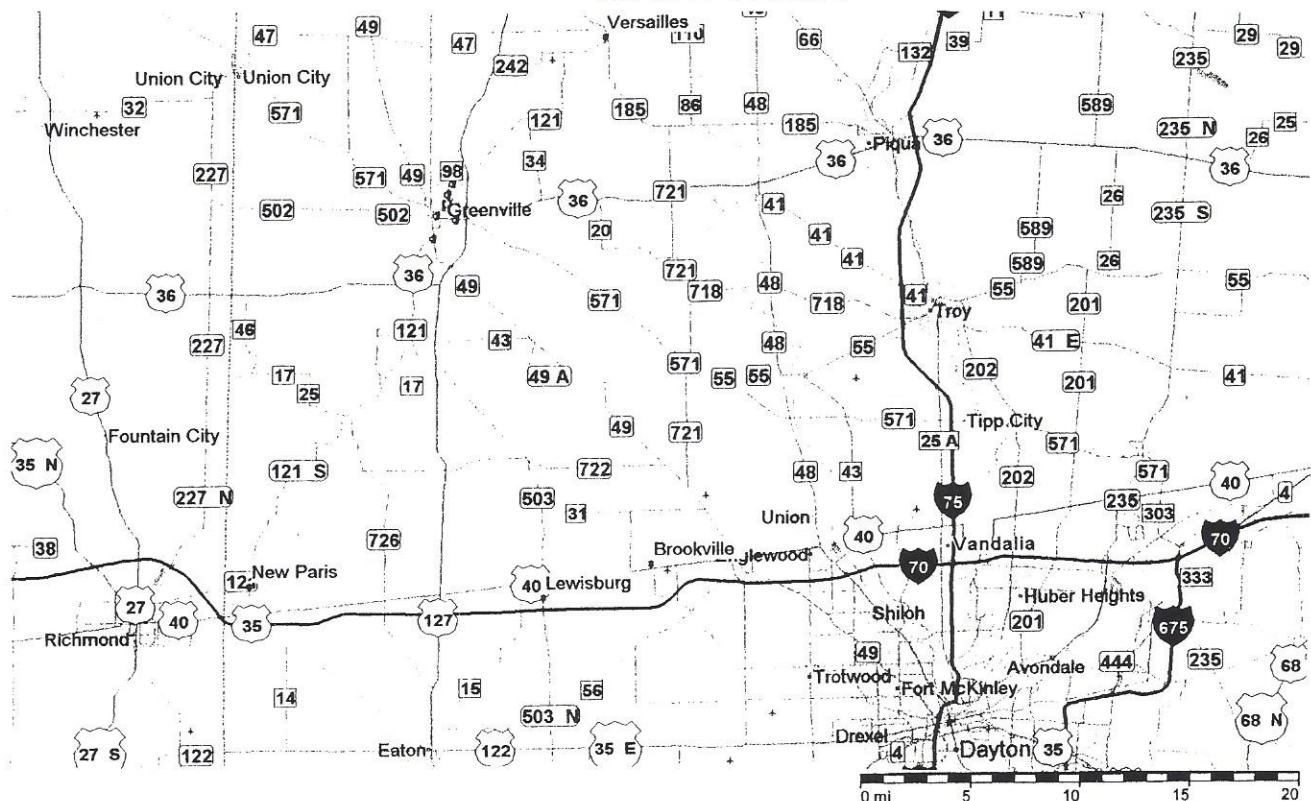
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# OHIO

## New Team-World Champions



World Champion Alan Francis led his Ohio team of wife Amy, Tina Tonnous, Bob Garber, and Jim McCombs to the top of the Team-World ladder. It was the second appearance for the Ohio team at the fourteenth anniversary of the prestigious team horseshoe event.

Team Wisconsin rallied to leave defending champion Minnesota team hanging on the ladder in third place.

It's always considered an upset when Minnesota doesn't take home the Team-World Cup. They led the pre-lims most of the way only to see the Ohio team slip one game up the final day.

Going into the finals, Ohio led with 64 wins. Minnesota had 63, Wisconsin 62, and Ontario followed with 59. The three top spots were set, but Ontario had to earn their position in the traditional 4 team play-off for 4th.

Three other teams vying for the coveted position were Indiana with 55.5 wins, Missouri at 55, and Illinois sneaking in with 44.5. Illinois gave Ontario the closest team match of the day. The 4-game match tied at two wins-two losses. Total team points would have to be compared to decide the match. In disbelief, fans counting total team points on the four scoreboards found another deadlock. Going to the paper trail, scoresheets revealed Ontario had one more ringer, 105-104, than Illinois.

Ontario went on to play Missouri. Illinois, the low seed, met and defeated Indiana in a consolation game of sorts that did decide the 6th and 7th positions. In the exchange Indiana dropped two positions. The match was another 2-2 tie decided by a nine point team advantage.

Ontario's luck continued in the Missouri match. Missouri was heading

for a 3-1 match win when the last pair on the courts reversed the decision. Lou Rector, Missouri and Stan Leis of Ontario tied their individual and final game. Playing off the tie, Leis accumulated enough points in four shoes to carry the Ontario team over the edge by one point over Missouri. Ontario had re-earned their four spot on the ladder.

Who said watching paint dry is not exciting?

Wisconsin made decisive work of the Ontario team, winning the match 3 to 1. Their next opponent, the highly regarded Minnesota team proved tougher. The match developed, with two game wins and an apparent third win in the making, the remaining Minnesota team watched that last game go down. It was the game of the tournament for Wisconsin. Dale Lipovsky of Minnesota led Randy Rein of Wisconsin by a wide margin. Points on the boards of other games indicated Wisconsin was nine points and a win in arrears. In the last ten shoes Rein pulled even and won by 12. It became a 2 game-2 game tie and a 5 point win for the Wisconsin team.

Ohio, warming up on other courts, may have gained confidence with Minnesota and Bev Nathe gone. In the final match, the overworked Wisconsin crew bowed to the Ohio team winning just one game, crediting the state of Ohio with the Team-World title of 1998.

The other Minnesota team won the race for best #2 state team followed by Missouri-2 and Illinois-2 rounding out the top ten finishing 8th, 9th and 10th respectively.

With twenty teams competing, a total purse of \$4,000 went to the first seven teams with Ohio receiving \$1,800 and the Team-World traveling cup. Minnesota, reluctantly, but in a

spirit of sportsmanship, passed it on to Ohio. Some said the Team-World Cup appeared to have moss growing on its north side, probably due to protracted cold in the Gopher state.

Weather may also have had an effect determining this year's winners. Unseasonable warm breezes bathed Beloit during the three days of the event. Few complained of the heat. In the warmer evenings the Missouri tribe was observed conducting an outdoor ceremony in the parking lot involving food and beverages lasting long into the night.

World Championships Bev Nathe and Alan Francis met in the Minnesota-Ohio game of the pre-lims. It was the only loss in the entire tournament for Francis. His 85% was no match for Nathe's 92.5%. Just 4 players turned in games in the 90 percentile bracket—Stan Leis, Ontario and Clayton Gage, Wisconsin had one each; Bev Nathe had a pair while Alan Francis cracked 90% eight times, including one 40-shoe game with just a single miss.

Lucky high game pitchers went home with a few pounds of Wisconsin cheese. Each round, the name of the pitcher with the high ringer game was entered into the cheese lottery. One name was drawn concluding very flight of four or five games. Eight times they drew for the cheese. The Francis family, with more of the Wisconsin product than they could handle, shared the wealth.

Just twenty teams entered Team-World this year with some notable abstentions. Some come to win, but with the full round robin, fortunately more come to pitch the winners. It will be most of a year before Team-World sends out the request for its last event of this century. Once more the goal will be for 24 teams.

## HELP WANTED POSITION OPEN

With sincere regret, I have accepted Bob Champion's decision to step down and retire from his position as NHPA Publicity Director. Bob has done a wonderful job for us over the past 13 years and he will stay involved until a new individual is found and has become familiar with the needs of the position.

If you are interested in, and enjoy the work related to, NHPA Publicity, I'd like to hear from you. The Publicity Director is responsible for maintaining newspaper clipping files, updating and preparing camera-ready pages for each World Tournament program book, preparing the text for the daily newsletter at the World Tournament, handling all media contact, updating World Pitching records, writing a column for each *Newsline* issue and generally being involved in all facets of publicity for the NHPA, including developing and writing programs to help charters and clubs with local publicity.

The person selected for this position should have good computer and writing skills, enjoy detail and gathering material from which articles and figures can be written and updated, feel comfortable talking with people and be a self starter. Some background and knowledge of printing and newspaper setup needs would be helpful, but is not an absolute requirement. There is an annual 5% pay allowance as well as free lodging and \$20 per day for meals while at the W.T. where attendance is required for the two weeks.

I would like to receive a resumé from any and all interested members by Dec.15. My goal is to appoint a new Publicity Director by January 1, 1999. While this position will answer to the 1st Vice President during 1999, the thought is to one day make it a combined function. Having a further interest in holding NHPA office would therefore be a plus. Send your resumé or further inquiries to NHPA President, Dave Loucks, 140 Sierra Blanca Ct., Grass Valley, CA 95945.

## Interested in an NHPA Office?

If you have ever considered being an officer in the NHPA, you might want to throw your hat into the ring in 1999. Four offices are up for re-election: President, 1st Vice President, 3rd Vice President and 5th Vice President.

Two incumbents—Dave Loucks and Paul Stewart—have already declared their intention to seek re-election. Earl Winston has not yet committed, while Bev Born has announced that she will not seek re-election as 3rd Vice President. Even if the office has been held for some time, do not let that discourage your candidacy, if you are interested. The membership needs to know of new interest and perhaps feels that some change would be good for the organization.

Briefly, duties of **President** are to oversee the Executive Council, preside at all NHPA meetings, appoint and oversee all Program Directors and committees, assign specific duties to other officers, develop and maintain all NHPA contracts, operating procedures, W.T. pitching schedule and answer the daily mail, fax and phone calls from members and various other parties.

The **1st Vice President** used to be responsible for overseeing the NHPA Hall of Fame, but by the year 2000, that will be fully transferred to the directors of the new National Horseshoe Pitchers Foundation (NHPF). In its place, the 1st Vice President will become responsible for NHPA Publicity and perhaps Promo-

tion, either by handling the function directly, if best qualified, or by having other Directors reporting to that office.

The **3rd Vice President** remains responsible for the NHPA Sanctioned Club/League program, maintaining all the records and reports related to it.

The **5th Vice President** is the Chairman of the NHPA Regional Director program. He sets and maintains the guidelines, appoints and oversees the work of the charter RDs. He also directs all shoe checking at the World Tournament. Currently, the NHPA website administration is also directed by this office.

All NHPA Vice Presidents receive an annual pay allowance equal to 5% of the Secretary/Treasurer total. This equals about \$900 per year. There is an additional amount approximating another 5% for the duties assigned the 3rd and 5th VPs. The NHPA President receives 30% of the annual amount received by the Secretary/Treasurer. All NHPA Officers are required to spend the entire two weeks working at the World Tournament where they receive a free motel room and a \$20 per day food allowance. Officers are also expected to submit an article on their programs for each *Newsline* issue.

If you are interested in running for any of these NHPA offices, you must send your announcement of candidacy to the NHPA President/*Newsline* editor to be received no later than **March 15, 1999**.

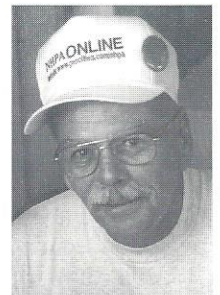
### STEVE SUMMERLIN Candidate for 3rd Vice President

My name is Steve Summerlin, and I am running for the position of NHPA 3rd Vice President. I joined the NHPA in 1989 and within a couple of years became Secretary of the Berkley, MI club, serving that office until 1993 when I became Vice President and then President in 1996.

Two years ago, after a move, I became Vice President of the Brighton, MI club. Since 1994, I have served the Wolverine State Horseshoe Pitchers Association as charter statistician and in 1995 became NHPA Regional Director for Michigan. In 1998, I was elected WSHPA charter secretary.

I mention the above because I want you to know how dedicated I am to serving this great sport. Many of you may already know me as I have attended all the recent World Tournaments where I have assisted in the shoe checking, served as judge for Championship Classes and accepted many other tasks asked of me by the NHPA office staff. I created the WSHPA web pages and, as a member of the NHPA website administration team, assisted in the creation and maintenance of nine other charter websites.

It is my desire to serve the sport at an even higher level. While the Sanctioned Club/League program is quite successful, my experience with it tells me there is much we can do to improve the program. Greater input from the League Directors and participants to share fresh thoughts and try innovative methods, more use of reporting by computer and a rework of the Red Book are just a few of my ideas. I believe my past charter experience qualifies me for consideration as the NHPA 3rd Vice President. I hope you agree and will support my candidacy by voting for Steve Summerlin at the 1999 convention.



# THE HORSESHOE TRADER

Ohio Horseshoe Company—Columbus, OH *The Oldest & the Longest*

by Bob Dunn

A few years ago, a drastic fire destroyed much of the Ohio Horseshoe Company property and all of its history files and documentation. But this company, with such a vast history, will never lose its historic identity. The pictured ads that have been recovered from old *Horseshoe World* magazines, and other research can tell quite a story and recreate much of the history of the Ohio Horseshoe Company.

The Ohio Horseshoe Company, Columbus, Ohio, was the first major commercial manufacturer of pitching style shoes. This is confirmed by the Thomas Directory of American Manufacturers and states the initial year of production as 1921. This matches the initial year as stated in early-day advertisements by Ohio in the *Horseshoe World* magazines during the 1920s and 1930s. The company was first located at 756 Parsons Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

In 1921, the state of Ohio was a horseshoe pitching hotbed. The NHPA had just formed and was headquartered in Akron. There were world champion pitchers from Ohio as well as several contenders. One of the world champions was Fred Brust of Columbus. There is some folklore about a dispute between Brust and another world champion, George May of Akron. There seemed to be a question of how the Ohio shoe design came about and who designed it. Well, history has some documented facts on this matter. George May did draft a design for a pitching shoe. He even received a patent for that design. That patent went on to become the National Standard brand. Fred Brust went on to be the founder and owner of the Ohio Horseshoe Company, which is documented by an ad in the 1930 *Horseshoe World*. This ad is the only known documentation that ties Brust to the Ohio Horseshoe Company.

The earliest pictured ad in my file was copied from a *Horseshoe World* dated 1927. There are no doubt earlier ads, but I have not found any yet. Small pictured ads were located in *The Farmer* magazines in 1923 and 1924, indicating the Ohio Horseshoe Company initially developed marketing ties to rural America.

Of course, the first Ohio shoes were hookless as were all other brands of that era. From the very start, Ohio shoes had some uniqueness from the many other manufacturers that closely followed into the new industry—Ohio shoes were dated. This is a factor that truly broadens the scope of collectibility for today's shoe collectors. It can be confirmed as early as 1927, that Ohio presented Junior shoes also. Not all companies of the day were manufacturing the smaller Junior pitching shoes.

According to a 1927 ad, the Ohio company had relocated to 866 Parson Ave. No change in their model design took place until late in 1930 when their first shoe with hooks appeared. The Ohio model definitely was a take-off of the

Mossman shoe, even if it was designed three years after the initial Mossman. In 1932, a new, improved model was designed with hooks more in style of today's tournament shoes. However, the hooks still were small by today's standards. Minor design adjustments occurred each year from 1931-1935. The 1934 model produced an Ohio with a double ringer breaker, an innovation that stood throughout all the decades, right to the present day.

By 1936, full-sized hooks were designed and from there on the shoe did not change much until 1969 and the arrival of the Ohio "PRO." That is, with a couple of exceptions. In 1937, a Jackson model was designed, named after the many time world champion, Frank Jackson. This is a little known model by Ohio and possibly was manufactured only for the single year. It is the only Ohio model that had a large inverted ringer breaker and hooks similar to today's Diamond Double Ringers. This model surely would be a prize find for any collection.

Also in 1953, Ohio struck a deal with Fernando Isais to pitch their shoes. The design of the 1953 shoes were unchanged but marked Isais Model on the top side. That too was short lived and lasted for just one year, but leaves that extra special shoe for hunters to look for.

There is no record of how many thousands of pairs of Ohio shoes have been sold and pitched, but we know that Ohio has existed during eight decades. With the uniqueness of dating their shoes for the first five decades and the variety of early-day models, makes Ohio shoes a fascinating and specialty line for collectors. Because of the fabulous pictured ads in the *Horseshoe World*, we have a permanent record of the Ohio Horseshoe Company.

## TRADER JOTTINGS

■ A file is being developed to document more information about the early-day shoes of our sport. At present, there are no ads prior to 1927 from *Horseshoe World* magazines. Surely there must be someone who has a *Horseshoe World* from the early 1920s and can photocopy an Ohio ad. In fact, the only ads in file from *Horseshoe World*, prior to 1927 are Lucky Ringer and National Standard from a 1922 issue. If you copy any ads, please note the date by the ad. I certainly would appreciate your effort.

■ There has been another new (old) find by one of our collectors—Cay Newhouse Jr. of Sterling Heights, MI, picked up an early-day hookless Saginaw Malleable shoe. Prior, we had no knowledge that such a brand ever existed.

■ Our Horseshoe Trader sessions at the World Tournament in Ainsworth, did not get started as planned and hoped for. Some arrangements for coverage fell short during the first week. Our apologies to those who brought in shoes or had questions, and there were no sessions held. When the sessions started, mainly due to the arrival and efforts of Lee Wallace (OR), they were fantastic. Several new collectors joined up. Efforts to successfully plan a schedule of Trader sessions at the 1999 W.T. will be attempted again.

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# BEEF ISLAND STORY

## Pitching In Paradise

This August I had the opportunity to vacation in the U.S. and British Virgin Islands. It was a dream vacation for me, something I had wanted to do for many years but never managed to get to. Being an avid horseshoe pitcher and a manufacturer of horseshoes, most of my vacation time is spent either working on horseshoes or attending tournaments. My other hobbies of scuba diving and boating have had to take a back seat to horseshoes. I thoroughly enjoy my participation in horseshoes and certainly have no regrets for the time I spend meeting great people all over the country, but the diving and sailing vacation was way overdue.

I had an opportunity to charter a sailboat at a great rate because of the off season as in "hurricane season." It was very tempting, so I went for it. My girlfriend Patti has lived in the Virgin Islands for the past six years and wanted me to see them and meet her friends and this would be a great time for that and would fulfill my own dream. As usual, reality is never the same as the dream.

If you think I am going to say we got caught in a hurricane, you're wrong. What happened was stranger than that! The first week, sailing all over the islands was really beautiful, meeting Patti's friends, scuba diving in the most pristine crystal clear waters with the most colorful corals and fish, and enjoying the most dramatic sunsets and scenery imaginable. This continued into the second week except for a couple interruptions.

We blew out our mainsail and had to return to Fat Hogs Bay to make sail repairs. During that layover we decided to explore the Island of Tortola and the adjoining Beef Island. We were upset that we were landlocked because of the boat repairs, but it turned out to be the best part of the trip.

We borrowed a pickup truck from the charter company and went across the bridge to Beef Island and found a very interesting place called Trellis Bay that has a beautiful palm tree lined beach right out of the travel magazines. There is a small community of

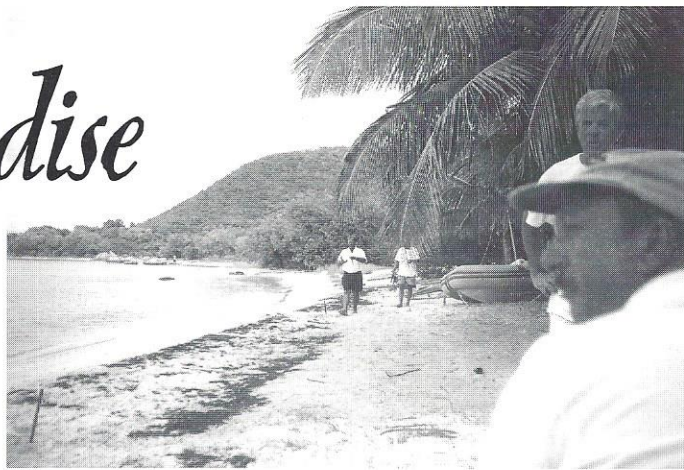
little store front houses along the beach selling artistic creations of the residents and renting sail boards and kayaks and other tourist things. There were many sailing yachts anchored out in the bay and a small island out in the middle with a restaurant and bar called The Last Resort. There is also a little bar and restaurant on the beach with a screened-in porch with picnic tables and a few tables and hammocks outside on the beach. It is called De Loose Mongoose. When you first arrive at the Virgin Islands the names of these little places seem strange but it doesn't take long until they seem very normal and appropriate. Names like Billy Bones, Willie T, The Bight, Fat Hog's Bay, Dead Man's Chest, and De Loose Mongoose became as common as McDonald's and Burger King.

Inside De Loose Mongoose, in the little bar area there were four guys arguing. I couldn't help overhearing the argument. It was about who scored the "final point." Listening for a minute, it reminded me of horseshoe pitchers arguing a call. I had to butt in and ask "what game are you talking about?" I almost dropped over when they said it was horseshoes!!!

I couldn't believe that I'm in this exotic place with the palm trees, beautiful bay and yachts while in the middle of a horseshoe argument! It was just like home!

During the next several days we got to know the locals as well as many vacationers and yachtsmen, set up a British Virgin Islands horseshoe dealer, played horseshoes on the beach barefoot under the swaying palm trees and organized a small horseshoe tournament.

After our boat was repaired, we sailed it around the island to Trellis Bay and used that as our home base anchorage for the rest of the trip. We would go diving early in the day and then join the group on the beach for horseshoe pitching in the late afternoon and early evening. After sailing



on the ocean for a period of time you get your "sea legs." Unfortunately you keep your "sea legs" for some time after returning to solid ground which means that for awhile after hitting the beach you continue to sway as though you were still at sea. This makes pitching horseshoes even more challenging than usual. I now know it is possible to adjust and pitch well while swaying. Timing becomes even more crucial.

We learned that these people have been pitching horseshoes on the beach for years. The group leader (and now a thoroughbred horseshoe dealer) is Blair Keiderling, a transplanted pipe fitter from New Jersey. Blair now owns Absolute Shipping Ltd. and transports vehicles and construction equipment from island to island on his 75 foot landing barge. He also owns the horseshoes and stakes and is always ready to accept any challenge. I think he gets to make the rules too. Blair is the Beef Island Champ and the one everyone wants to beat. When he teams up with Jan Dart they are almost unbeatable. Usually they split up to give the others a sporting chance.

Jan is a widow who moved to the Islands with her husband 27 years ago and wouldn't consider returning to Barcelona, New York along Lake Erie where she grew up and lived most of her life. She has a beautiful home with an apartment and efficiency apartment complete with a private pool and the most beautiful view of the bay. She rents her apartments called Mermaids to honeymooners and vacationers looking for privacy in paradise. This gives her enough income to remain in paradise. She pitches from 40 feet and never knew that women could pitch from 30 feet. Now that I was there she is liberated, she now has professional horseshoes to use and she is practicing at 30 ft. LOOK OUT BLAIR!!!



Gregory Lentini, a businessman from San Juan Puerto Rico, became a new horseshoe pitcher from his exposure at Trellis Bay. Greg's friend Brian, also from San Juan, teamed up with him. They lost early but returned each day for more punishment. Greg now has horseshoes and stakes on his yacht and can practice whenever he is near a beach. Next year will be a different story for Greg. I might team up with him next year.

There were many other new friends made while pitching horseshoes in paradise but this story wouldn't be complete without a mention of one of the most crotchety "old salts" I have ever met. Jerry Kinstler is an old timer who lives alone on a boat whenever possible. He spent his working life in the hotel business working for some of the big hotel chains in places like Phoenix and Las Vegas. He was very successful and had to be very social but likes his privacy and peaceful life on board a boat anchored in Trellis Bay and his job as navigator and first mate on Blair's barge. We decided to make him judge because we felt no one would dare dispute his call. I tried to bribe him upfront but found I didn't have enough money. Patti took a picture of me offering him money but in all fairness to Jerry, he didn't accept it. If he had I might have won the tournament.

Jerry tells the story of "old what's-her-name." When I asked who he was referring to he explained that she was some woman that he was married to three times. You know, old what's-her-name!

One of the Charter boat captain's wife was telling us about a horseshoe tournament held every year in October. On the island of St. John there is a hurricane hole called Coral Bay. There is a bar there called Skinny Legs. A large group of boats gather every year to participate. All of the pitchers are women. The men have to do other things like fishing or diving, this tournament is for the ladies. The name of the tournament is "The Pitchin' Bitches." As I mentioned earlier, you get used to the names after a short time in the islands.

I guess I better mention a thing or two of the hurricanes before closing. We were there for about 16 days. We had fourteen days of beautiful warm weather. Enjoying the trade winds that constantly blow to provide comfort from the Tropical heat and provide power for the sailing yachts. There



couldn't be a better place to sail on this earth. During our stay, Hurricane Bonnie was developing just southeast of us. It was a tropical storm at the time. It passed by us about 60 miles to our north. We had a day of higher winds (about thirty-something knots) and thunderstorms. We had plenty of warning and stayed in a harbor and rode it out at the dock. It was uncomfortable getting slammed up against the dock all night but safe.

Two days later while we were anchored in Trellis Bay which is a very well protected bay we learned some more new words. We found out what it meant when the natives said it was "Blowing up a hooley." It was near the end of our stay in the islands. We had planned to do another dive that morning but because we stayed up late with our new friends the night before we ended up sleeping in a little. When we did wake up the sky looked a bit funny and we decided to wait awhile before sailing out into the ocean. We stayed at Trellis bay that morning while we packed up the boat and reluctantly got ready to leave.

Some of the boats ventured out on the sea. We were ready to leave about noon but the sky turned dark again so we dragged our feet a little more to see what it was going to do. By this time we were used to these small thunderstorms passing through and then it would go right back to paradise again. This time a storm came through but instead of passing right over there was a sudden temperature drop. This was really spooky because the temperature hadn't changed by more than three or four degrees day or night for the whole two weeks. Now there was a drop of fifteen degrees in minutes. It didn't take long to see what was happening. It started blowin up a hooley big time!

We were sitting at anchor with two anchors out and no sails up. This was a thirty two foot boat with a heavy keel and the wind was so strong it laid us over on our side with the toe rail

nearly in the water. It was accompanied by torrential rains that were horizontal and really hurt too much to face into. I was trying to video tape the winds and the effect on the other anchored boats and the palm trees and buildings on the beach when we heard the distress calls from the boats that had just gone out. They were really scared and asking for help but it was very obvious that nobody could help. The winds were up to seventy miles an hour steady with higher gusts. The sustained high winds lasted over an hour, a very long hour. There was no warning on the radio. I was very concerned about us breaking loose and crashing into other boats or the beach or another boat breaking loose and crashing into us until I heard the others calling for help from out on the open sea.

I was so happy that we had been up late with the horseshoe pitchers and were lazy in the morning. It may have saved our lives. As it turned out no one was injured but there were many damaged boats and buildings and a few beautiful trees were snapped off. I have never been in a hurricane and I really don't want to be. Sometimes a hurricane will stay in the same place and blow for 20 to 30 hours straight. This was not a named storm, they called it a "tropical wave"—they have such cute names for things down there! This was enough wind to scare me and it was only seventy miles an hour. Now I know why the rates are cheaper in August and September.

Before this vacation to paradise I always felt that horseshoes was primarily a country game. I have no trouble picturing horseshoe stakes out behind almost any barn in America or Canada. I sell horseshoes all over America and Canada and the overwhelming majority of sales are to small to medium size towns. I have customers in Alaska and even in Hawaii. I always thought Hawaii was a strange place for horseshoes because it didn't fit in with my image of horseshoe pitching. I now have a new image of horseshoe pitching. I hope I have given you a new image as well.

***Good Pitching to all, wherever you are!!***

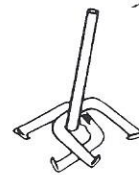
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Bob Champion's

# Charter Chatter



*Chatter* is still looking for information relative to perfect games pitched in sanctioned play after 7-21-96. This information is printed in the annual *World Tournament Media Guide* which is made available to newspaper, TV and any pitcher interested in records set by NHPA pitchers.

This guide, along with the official *World Tournament Program* gives everyone an insight on all the records. It is difficult to keep up to date, but it is hoped that the media and pitcher guides will be all corrected by World time next July.

Send the perfect game information to Bob Champion, 5505 Valmont #176, Boulder, CO 80301.

## ALABAMA

*Chatter* notes that Debbie Tidwell has won the Women's state title thirteen times, the first one in 1984, followed by a dozen more titles with consecutive wins from 1987 through 1998. That's a great record.

The Alabama Hall of Fame was initiated in 1977 with Ottie Reno as the charter member. Ottie won 15 straight titles from 1963-1977. Four other state champions have been inducted into the State Hall of Fame—Bob Stowe, Walker Shaneyfelt, Jack Henderson and Johnnie Millican (Elders).

Interesting to note that no woman has been selected into this coveted group. One wonders why Debbie has been denied the honor.

## CALIFORNIA

Gene Ferche of the Vallejo Horseshoe Club is very pleased to announce their "crappy" (pun intended) restrooms will have been refurbished by the time you read this. The City of Vallejo Recreation Department allocated \$25,000 for sorely needed repairs. The long-awaited construction provides all new plumbing, fixtures and towel dispensers.

Missing from the California State Tournament for the first time in many years was Walter Ray Williams, Jr., who has moved to Florida. In a windblown event held in Apple Valley, Gus Martin from Oroville won his first California State Championship. Teddy Guillotte won the Women's crown while NHPA President Dave Loucks copped the Senior title.

The Forebay Park Club in Pollack Pines is a unique place for pitching shoes. They have lots of shade, fishing within 100 yards, centrally located in the foothills east of Sacramento, parking for RVs, shopping and restaurants within a half mile...sounds like paradise.

## CANADA

The 1998 British Columbia International champions are Gordon Butts from Victoria, Doris Wilton from Winfield and Earl Morris (Elders) from Ladysmith.

Butts repeated as champion. He struggled the first day, but came on strong to win. It all came down to the final game when the champion defeated Tal Severson, 41-22, to take the crown.

In the Women's Division, Doris had a perfect record and over 60% on the first day, and after losing one game she rallied to win a playoff game over Abbotsford's Gloria Pinette.

Morris lost two games, closed with an 8-2 record one game in front of Mel McClelland, who was playing in only his second tournament from 30 feet.

Randy Schaeffer from Quesnel won the Boys' crown and Melissa Bowser from Williams Lake copped the Girls' championship. She could be the rising star of the future.

Nova Scotia's Bob Richey was elected into the Horseshoe Canada Hall of Fame in 1998. The category was "Builder-Organizer."

## COLORADO

Favored Paul LaCrosse from Englewood and Virginia Sandoval also from Englewood, plus Elders Don Wild from Longmont and Junior Kevin Sturch, Windsor, all repeated as champions for the state.

It was LaCrosse's 15th and 7th for Sandoval, who was out of action the past two years with a wrist injury.

Don Schneck from Denver and Dee Powell (Elder) from Arvada were inducted into the Hall of Fame for pitching excellence and Dan Martinez from Ault was the selection for Service. Bill Ostrom from Boulder was presented the Sportsmanship Award and Rich Jensen from Fort Collins received the Ted Allen Memorial Award for recent service to CHPA.

Player of the Year awards went to Bob Snyder, Marge Snyder, Jerry Potter and Kevin Sturch. Most Improved pitchers were Pete Pintor, Cathy Hubert, Glee Biby and Chris Daugherty. Harold Wilcox from Boulder was presented the Tournament Director's award and the Presidential Achievement award went to Marty Zolman from Brighton.

## FLORIDA

State historian Norman Gaseau reports about organization of the state charter. They know that the St. Petersburg Club hosted the first ever winter World Tournament in 1919. Since several horseshoe clubs existed in Florida at that time, they assume that the state organization also existed. Winter World Tournaments were held in Florida during the years 1920 through 1929. The St. Petersburg Club hosted all of these tournaments except for 1925 when the Lake Worth Club was the host.

Norman has recently completed a history of the Clearwater Club. He reports that the club has done an excellent job of record keeping. The Clearwater Club dates back to 1916 and the first year had four members. In the 1970s and '80s they had membership between 60 and 80. Norm was the President from 1978 through 1983 and was the Secretary-Treasurer from 1982 to 1994. He also held the position from 1972-1977. In 1981 the Club conducted the first Men's and Women's World Championship Invitational Tournament.

## CHARTER CHATTER

### GEORGIA

The Golden Isles Club is steadily growing with 19 members, 15 of whom belong to the GHPA. The people of Georgia think it is still amazing that, after many years of publicity, a week seldom goes by without someone saying "I didn't know we had a horseshoe club in Brunswick."

Their Spring league has been completed and the league champion is Don Hutchins, a new member. Another new member, Jeff Thomas finished second, Ellen Tharpe was third and Frank Harris was fourth. Mary George had a fantastic game of 82.5%.

They have added four courts, bringing the total to 12 with welcome financial and lighting assistance from Glynn County.

League President Iris Sandham, from the Stone Mountain Club, has these few words to all pitchers: "Leagues are so important! Sometimes that's the only practice we get before going to a tournament. Also, at leagues you have more time to talk to other pitchers...and maybe find out what you have been doing wrong, or help someone else with their game."

### ILLINOIS

Bill Marvin, from Mechanicsburg, has added an excellent ten-page newsletter to the 37 charters now publishing newsletters. It is called the *Illinois Court Reporter*.

The award for the most new members in the year 1998 was presented to the state at the annual NHPA Banquet in Ainsworth. Add this to the list of horseshoe license plates—4 H Shuz. It is owned by Dave Shreve.

During Summer Action, Cliff Baker and George Manker have each won three Class A titles.

Noted in the newsletter—\$1 will be added to entry fees in all sanctioned tournaments. This money will be added to support the scholarship fund for Junior pitchers in the state.

Woodrow "Woody" Martin, who passed away in March, won his class in the World Tournament two years in a row, and was the Illinois State Champion in 1977. He also won the Senior title in 1985 and the 70+ winner in 1988.

### INDIANA

Official percentages for 1998 have been released and the top pitchers in the state are listed.

Leading the 40' Men is Mark Seibold with a 72.56 ringer percentage. Others in the top five are Chad Hyatt 71.38, Bill Ungentheim 65.56, Dale Henry 64.25, and Bob May 63.02. Topping the women are Dorothy Pittman 64.37, Amy Tipton 55.76, Deb Taulbee-Hall 55.37, Nancy Yaros 53.71, and Tammi Cunningham 44.12. Bob Logan, the 1998 World Elders Champion, tops the 70+ crew with a 79.50. Closing out the top five are Curley Seibold 79.14, George Pilipovich 76.34, Warren Woolsey 75.37, Cooley Smith 75.37. Allen Keen's 61.86 leads the boys, followed by Todd Brown 60.48, Brent Keen 59.22, Jeremy Burgett 57.30 and Dustin Godsey 23.77.

### KANSAS

Wichita now has 24 horseshoe courts with lights. Eight are full distance courts for both 30' and 40' pitchers and 16 are for 40' pitchers.

For the last two years, the Air Capital Club and the Sunflower Club have worked with the City Park Board and finally have the promise that in 1998 they should have 24

full courts for both distances. Thanks should go to the City of Wichita for bringing the clubs up-to-date with these nice courts. The job was completed on August 1.

A special congratulations to Mary Ann Peninger from Derby on yet another Kansas State title. It bears repeating that she is the daughter of the State's former great State Champion for many years—Marines Tamboer, an NHPA Hall of Famer in 1992.

Merlin Potts from Leonardville, a championship finalist several years at the World, won the 1998 elders championship in Kansas, making the adjustment to 30 feet after many years as the Men's State Champion.

State membership as of September 20 is sitting on 199 and they expect to add at least one more to this figure.

### KENTUCKY

Kentucky and Becky Kemper have hit the big time sports coverage. In the September 1998 *Sports Illustrated*, Becky was listed in their column "Faces In The Crowd." I read, under the heading "Horseshoes": Becky Kemper, Pleasureville, Kentucky, 20, a senior accounting clerk, pitched 751 ringers out of a possible 910 to defeat three-time World Champion Sue Snyder, 51, of Madisonville and win the Women's crown at the 1998 World Championships at Ainsworth, Nebraska. Kemper finished third in her first Women's World competition last year."

Kemper's 1998 ringer percentage was 82.5. Snyder won titles in 1992 and 1994 while living in Indiana and in 1995 as a Kentucky resident. Kemper and Snyder are the only Kentucky pitchers to win World Championships in the Open Men and Women Divisions. However, Don Titcomb, when living in Winchester, won the Senior Men's crown.

### LOUISIANA

The LSHPA membership again showed their support for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The combined clubs from Harahan, Morgan City with JCs and Bayou HPA hosted tournaments and raised over \$3,500 for Jerry's Kids.

Harahan hosted their 14th annual MDA Benefit with 44 entrants. They raised \$2,542—\$185 more than last year. The club wishes to thank the entrants, those who bought 50/50 raffle tickets, parade and prize tickets and auction items. A special thanks to the companies who donated articles secured by members who asked their employers, former employers, relations and individuals for this help for a worthy cause. To date the club's contributions have been \$13,500.

All three Summer Leagues were completed by the end of August. Winners were: Donkeys: Paul Dupre, John Dorsa, Chris Barthelemy, Steve Holzenthal and Bill Williams. Double Ringers: Jack Atchley, Ofney Ellis, Bob Raziano and Emanuel Wilson. Devils: Mary Chrisner, Jack Atchley, Bob Hogan, Bruce Gunter, and Calvin Acosta.

### MICHIGAN

Steve Summerlin, from Brighton, is a busy horseshoe man in the Wolverine State. He is the MSHPA Secretary-Treasurer, NHPA Regional Director, the State Statistician and Chairman of the Membership Committee. Guess one can't get any busier. Of course, wife Paula is the 2nd Vice President and Chairman of the Grievance and Credentials Committee and Steve's special assistant.

## CHARTER CHATTER

Doug Bailey commands the top percentage in the Men's Division with a 67.05. Anne French's 71.78 leads the Women, Jim Wiltse tops the Elders with 69.67 and Jim Urie's 62.53 is on top for the Juniors. These percentages reflect figures as of July 10, 1998.

During July and August, several pitchers have won two Class A events. They include Claude Shannahan in the Brown City event and Lake Orion Tournament. Jim Wiltse won the Union City and Lake Orion on August 9. Dorothy Falk won the Berkley and Clio; Judy Dennis copped the Union City in July and the Lapeer; Doug Bailey won the July 18 Lapeer and July Berkley. Let's not forget Dorothy Falk, winner of the Clio (August 2) and the second Berkley.

### MINNESOTA

Bill Grillo of Hibbing was recently contacted by Mary Zupanich of Vermilion Junior College in Ely, asking that he instruct a class on the art of horseshoe pitching. The pupils were all employees of the National Steel Mining Company in Keewatin. The class was a part of the career development program that the mining company offers to their employees who receive college credits. Following explanation of the rules, the class competed with members of the Hibbing Club at their new horseshoe complex.

It is interesting to note that Minnesota has more officers, directors and committee people working for the organization. They give alot of people something to do, including nine assistant regional directors who are responsible in their area to assist clubs with their activities.

In addition to the officers they have their *Digest* editor, statistician, rookie of the year director, auditor, Hall of Fame chairman, constitution and bylaws chairman, state tournament directors for singles and doubles, scholarship director and, of course, the NHPA Regional Director. Space limitations do not allow mentioning all their names, but the pitchers in Minnesota know them.

### MISSOURI

Inductees into the State Hall of Fame at the State Tournament in September were Stan Griggs as a player, Val Eikel as player-organizer and Wayne Henderson as organizer. Mel Ingram (organizer), Don Jones (player-organizer) and Art Schroeder (player) were inducted posthumously.

The night the lights went out in New

Melle! During a recent thunderstorm in New Melle as the Jack and Jill league was pitching shoes, lightning struck close by, causing a power outage. Pitching for the evening ceased with a lot of yelling, screaming and moving around in the dark as they headed for their cars...and headed home?

### NEW ENGLAND

Don Maine, President of the New England HPA contacted the New England Sports Network out of Boston and asked if they would cover one of the area tournaments. It happened! NESN covered the Nashua Open which draws about 150 entries.

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## CHARTER CHATTER

They did a couple interviews as well as taping different parts of the tournament. A playoff between Brian Simmons and Doug Kienia was taped and the entire coverage was aired on July 30, 1998. We need more of this type of coverage!

John Kapnis, from Massachusetts, is the current champion. Doug Kienia from Maine was the winner in 1996 and 1997. Other known champions through the years have been Bernard Herfurth, Gerry Labbe and Ed Domey from Massachusetts; Brian Simmons and Al Lord, Maine; Norm Rioux, Connecticut; and Kevin Hollister, Vermont.

### NEW JERSEY

Two state pitchers have reached milestones in their horseshoe pitching career. Bill Kolb celebrated 60 years with the NJSHPA and Phil (Triple Z) Zozzaro has been a member for forty. Kolb was born in Newark in 1914, moved to Iowa when he was two, then moved back to New Jersey in 1930. He retired from the East Orange Board of Education in 1979, putting in 32 years, 3 months. His biggest thrill was winning the Eastern U.S. Open in 1940 in Staten Island. He won it by beating Larry Mahoney in a playoff, 50-47. He pitched the 1-3/4 turn with Lattore horseshoes. In later years he changed to Allens, which he considers the best shoe ever made. Phil Zozzaro has pitched Reno, Imperial, Diamond, Gordon, Detroit Flyer, Deadeyes and Allens, using the latter for years.

Some of his highlights have been the qualifying in the Wisconsin World Tournament in Class B, induction into the NJ Hall of Fame, receiving the NHPA Achievement award, elected NJSHPA President for six different years, getting the World Tournament bid in 1971 as President and being named Regional Director.

### NEW YORK

It is always important to cover leagues in our charters, as they are the backbone of our successful weekend tournaments. The Syracuse Pioneer Club has completed another successful season—their 14th of outstanding competition.

Veteran pitcher Glen Brown captured the Spring league Class A title, with Lance Hinman, the league director finishing second. Lance Hinman came back to win the Class A group in the Fall league with assistant director, Ken Fraser finishing second. High point game was won by Brown, who followed in the fall league with the high point game, along with his Class A first place finish.

### NORTH CAROLINA

Many pitchers including Paul Stewart, the NHPA 5th Vice President and the State's top authority, rates Gurney York from Harmony, N.C. as the "Number One" horseshoe person in the history of the sport in the State.

Gurney was one tough customer in the 1960s and 1970s, winning more than his share of tournaments. He was inducted into the NCHP Hall of Fame as a charter member for his ability to pitch horseshoes.

Most of his pitching was done in or around Statesville, and he brought fame to the city by his interest in getting the World Tournament in Statesville in 1979 and 1983.

Gurney won the National AAU Singles in 1966, just three years after he started pitching in tournaments. He was runner-up in the same event in doubles with his partner James

Scotten. He won the Carolina AAU singles four years in a row. He and his partner Scotten won the Carolina AAU Doubles six times in the '60s and '70s. He won the Dogwood Tournament in 1970 with a percentage over 75. He was the NCHPA President two years and the VP many years.

### OKLAHOMA

Bob Reese, from Ada, Oklahoma, was inducted into the State Hall of Fame, becoming only the 21st member since 1930. Reese is the President of the OHPA.

Tom Goff, from Woodward, is the Men's Championship winner for the fourth straight year. Likewise Kathy Greene won the Women's crown for the fourth straight year. Second place finishers were Glenn King and Wanda Morris, who were champions last in 1994.

Nancy Montgomery and Virginia Anderson won the Doubles title for the 4th time in 5 years in the 30' Division. Zan Nelson and Chuck Buckholz won the 40' Doubles.

World Champion Michelle Jarret's ability to throw 60% ringers had the East Central University students bug-eyed when Bob Reese conducted a horseshoe pitching clinic for summer students enrolled in "Techniques and Skills of Individual and Team Sports" under the watchful eye of ECU baseball coach Ron Hill. This was Reese's 3rd semester sponsoring our sport to ECU students and now about 100 have been exposed to the Ada clay courts in Wintersmith Park.

### OREGON

Defending Champion Ben Weidrich, from Oregon City, sixteen-time State Champion, finished third behind Ed Fogel from Talent and Portland's Barry Chapelle when Fogel and Chapelle squared off in the final game of the round-robin with undefeated records. Fogel closed with a double to win the championship, 41-33.

Other 1998 champions were newcomer Earl DeWald in the Elders group, Salem's LaVerne Ewing, a repeater in the Women's championship and Tyler Inman from Primeville, who won his sixth Junior title.

The 75th Anniversary Celebration during the 1998 State championships was a howling success, and all entrant received a lavender commemorative plate.

The OHPA received a most pleasant surprise. On July 7, Mel Baldwin and Marion Hays, the children of Elsie Baldwin, delivered a card and check for \$500 to the OHPA. Elsie wanted to express her appreciation for the State's recognition of her history and activities with the horseshoe community. Elsie passed away last winter at the age of 101. The OHPA regrets that they didn't know of her years ago.

### PENNSYLVANIA

Horseshoes of Pittsburg Enterprises (HOPE) have concluded the 1997-98 season. The M&Ms—Cindy McCullough (Capt.), Mickey McGuire and Ron Sprague won the title with a 92-52 record.

The winner of the playoff was the Magic 3—Captain Dom Massella, John Marsen and Joe Dougherty. McCullough had the High Average (44.15), and Jeff Mazur had the High Game of 80%. Joe Dougherty was the Rookie of the Year and Art Partee was the Most Improved, up 17.9% over last year.

Since many horseshoe pitchers do not take *Newsline*, they

## CHARTER CHATTER

do not know about "Horseshoe Traders and Collectors." The Pennsylvania newsletter *Pitchers Pulse* has asked if anyone in the state who collects pitching shoes, to join up. At present there are 16 members from Oregon to Baltimore. There is plenty of room for more new collectors. If interested, write Bob Dunn, 6417 Georgia Avenue, Brooklyn Park, Minnesota 55428...and subscribe to *Newsline*.

### SOUTH CAROLINA

A.J. Nave manages to pitch in the high sixties and has won five tournaments, finished second and has two thirds in others during the summer months, according to the S.C. newsletter *Court Chatter*.

Nave won the Windy Open (7-1, 65.6%), Icicle Open (8-1, 57.5), Early Bird Open (4-0, 63.2), McLeod Open Doubles (3-1, 63.0) with partner Don Broome, Spring Open (6-1, 68.8).

A new facility opened its doors to the South Carolina horseshoe pitchers last April at McLeod park just northeast of Florence. For their McLeod Open, tournament director Mitch Brantly used high/low percentages to match teams for this event.

Thanks to Brantly and Fulton Hines, who are responsible for the installation of the courts. They have constructed six regulation sand courts and have plans for six more.

### SOUTH DAKOTA

Pierre, SD is in the process of building a new horseshoe park. That area has had minimal pitching facilities in the past, but the State tournament has been scheduled there in 1999 if everything goes well.

Roland Kleinschmidt, David Zilverberg and Carl Chambers have been instrumental in making this happen, not only in promoting, but also in the actual building of the courts. They are all active members of the State Association.

A devastating tornado ripped through the small town of Spencer, a community of 400 people in the eastern part of the state. Ron Schoon, an active horseshoe pitcher, lost his home and all of his vehicles. He participates in the Soo area horseshoe league in Sioux Falls, SD, and the Corn Palace Horseshoe League in Mitchell. He participated in the World Tournament in Ainsworth.

### TENNESSEE

THPA 1st Vice President Melvin Cooper of Signal Mountain and Frank Jones of LaFollette were inducted into the State Hall of Fame at ceremonies at the T.F. Little Tournament in Cleveland on September 17. Cooper also received the honor of 1998 Horseshoe Pitcher of the Year.

Shannon Foster from Chunky won his second State Men's title with a 7-0 record

and 71.57%. Joan Elmore, who finished 15th in the World Women's Championship at Ainsworth, captured her second State crown. She had a 5-0 record and 67.97%. Elmore also was the Women's Indoor State Champion, having won that title in March.

Elmore joined the THPA 3 years ago and has achieved phenomenal success. In addition to winning a dozen tournaments in 1996, she was voted "Rookie of the Year" and "Most Improved Player." She won the State title in a playoff with Marlene Ray, a Memphis school teacher, by pitching 61 ringers out of 80 shoes, including 22 consecutive ringers.

Jack Freeman, owner of the courts in Joelton that will someday be gifted to the NHPF (foundation), decided to build the facility when there weren't any official courts in Nashville or middle Tennessee.

### TEXAS

East Texas welcomes another club! Some pitchers in Mineola gathered together and pitched the idea of a club and city maintained courts to the City of Mineola Board of Directors.

The city is going to allow the courts as well as help with labor and cost. The members are looking to have the courts sanctioned and hopefully begin having tournaments by the end of the year. The courts will run parallel to the Amtrak Railroad tracks in downtown Mineola.

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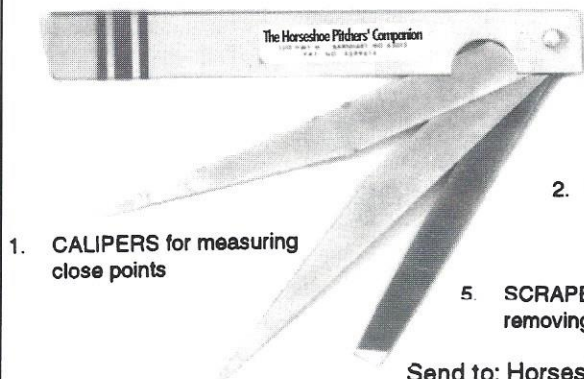
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## CHARTER CHATTER

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### WASHINGTON

Instructions have already begun at Sunnyside's South Park. Each Monday at 6:30 p.m., Skip Schilperoort will conduct the classes under the direction of the Sunnyside Parks and Recreation Department with any newcomer receiving instruction from day one.

Skip said this year the program has been widened to include minors, women, seniors, elders (70 and older) and handicapped persons—wheelchair bound or other physical restrictions. It is hoped they will have enough pitchers to form a league.

Art Sperber must have forgotten his regular shoes and had to pitch Herb Criss' old K-Mart Specials in the Tacoma Memorial in August...Art entered with a 65.0 ringer percentage and finished last with a 46.28. Must have been jet lag from the Sperber's recent extended trip to Europe.

Phyl Quist writes: The 1999 World Expense Fund for any Juniors who attend the World Tournament, was kicked off by

the Kitsap Club with a raffle at their last tournament. \$51 was donated to the fund. Good start.

When Art and Carol Sperber visited Norway recently, they were hosted and toasted by Inge Byrkjeland, who pitched in several World Tournaments.

### WEST VIRGINIA

It isn't every day, or even every year that horseshoe pitchers receive Certificates of Appreciation from the Governor of the State. Three pitchers from the West Virginia Horseshoe Pitchers Association did just that. They were Rick Cale, Reba Wenck and Rosalie Judy.

Governor Cecil H. Underwood writes in a letter to all three: "One of the greatest pleasures of being Governor is recognizing the accomplishments of fellow West Virginians who have contributed significantly to our state. I extend to you my appreciation and gratitude for representing our State at the 80th Annual World Tournament at Ainsworth.

"Your dedication and commitment to the sport of horseshoe pitching serves as a shining example for all of us. Your accomplishments must be a great source of pride for you, your family and many friends.

"It is for these reasons that I am honored to present you with this Certificate of Appreciation as a small token of gratitude. On behalf of all West Virginians, thank you for representing the Mountain State. Please accept my kindest regards and best wishes."

### WISCONSIN

With an invitation from the Wisconsin Sesquicentennial (150 Years) the Beloit Horseshoe Club was off to the State capitol to pitch horseshoes both on and off the courts.

May 29th was Statehood Day. In celebration, one big party was planned for the grounds of the State Capitol, and you can't have a party without a game of horseshoes. Never one to miss a chance to promote the WHPA and the NHPA, Earl Paulson was off and running. With assistance from club members Ken Lovas and Red Ferguson, they headed to Madison—not to legislate, but to demonstrate.

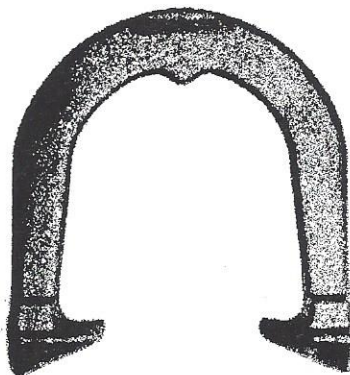
Ken and Kathy Jaeger, along with NHPA Secretary-Treasurer Dick Hansen and wife Paulette, also made the affair to answer questions, hand out literature and pitch a game or two.

The court was set up right on the street in front of the State Capital, roped off and made ready for the afternoon as requested by the State officials. There were thousands of people on the grounds and many stopped by to check out the noise and ask questions. Some even tried their hand at pitching.

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Our WEBRING is a selected list or "ring" of websites having a common interest in horseshoe pitching. Each posts a small amount of code which allows viewers to advance selectively or randomly to another website in the "ring." The NHPA WEBRING list address is:

<http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Ranch/1667/links2.html>

At this date, there are 38 websites to the ring, click the "Add-A-Link" option at the above webpage address. Our goal is to have at least one website reporting schedules and results from each NHPA Charter area. Several commercial websites for horseshoe equipment and supplies are also included on the webring list.

"Surf" our NHPA WEBRING sites to find a wide variety of original web page design ideas and lots of local information on Charters, tournament schedules, results, personalities, etc. Collectively, these websites bring you so very much more current information than can be provided on the NHPA website alone. Check 'em out...they are enjoyable and informative.

An interesting website which translates English/French and English/Spanish may be of use to some viewers. The free online demo interpreter will transcribe over 75 lines of text. For example, try inserting:

<http://www.geocities.com/~nhpa/nhparul.html>

when running the online interpreter to see the NHPA Rules (first 75 lines) writ-

ten in French. Address of the online demo program is:

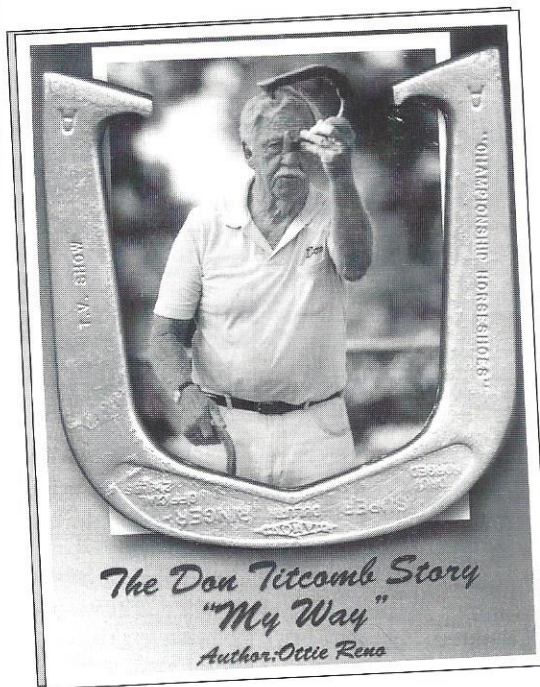
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The NHPA website provides the complete *Official Rules of Horseshoe Pitching* which contains construction details, and provides several website articles with numerous detail drawings showing court dimensions and suggestions. Your website administrators look forward to bringing you more and improved services during the next twelve months...thanks for checking in with us, "online."

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# The Toll of Time

## Harold Bindschadler

Wyoming member Harold Bindschadler, age 89, died August 11, 1998. Born and raised in Colorado, he married in 1936 and moved to Laramie in 1946 where he retired after 32 years with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He was President of the Wyoming HPA for 22 years. Survivors include his wife Goldie, one daughter, a son, eleven grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

## Eugene Bussard Sr.

Eugene "Smokey" Bussard of Indiana died March 16, 1998. He suffered a heart attack while pitching horseshoes, was taken to the hospital, but had another attack which was fatal. Gene loved to pitch and played in many tournaments not only in Indiana, but Florida where he spent the winter months and California where he often went to visit family. Smokey is survived by his wife Pat, four sons and two daughters.

## Fred Butler

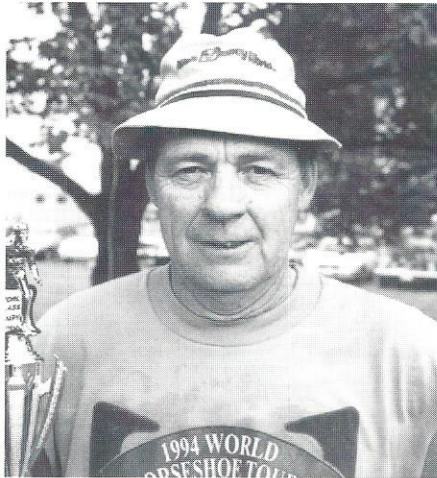
Vermont member Fred Butler passed away May 3, 1998 at the age of 92. Born February 6, 1906 in Rhode Island, Fred moved with his family to Bennington, VT in 1918. During his pitching career, Fred won the Vermont State Championship twelve times between 1941 and 1964. He was the first from his state to be inducted into the New England Horseshoe Hall of Fame. Butler was instrumental in starting the Bennington Horseshoe Club, which now has twenty courts. Vermont enshrined Fred into their Hall of Fame in 1984.

## Lyle Cottington

Long-time pitcher Lyle Cottington of Sun City in southern California passed away of a stroke sometime this past summer. He was a retired contractor from Laguna Beach who enjoyed traveling and horseshoe pitching. He was primarily active in tournaments during the 1970s and '80s.

## Tom Garrett

Massachusetts member Tom Garrett of Billerica, passed away this summer after a long battle with can-



cer. He loved horseshoe pitching and displayed great courage and determination as he competed while undergoing treatment for the dreaded illness. Tom, who won Class F-3 in the 1994 World Tournament is survived by his wife and children.

## VK "Bubs" Gedatus

Minnesota lost a great friend and long-time promoter with the June 21, 1998 death of VK Gedatus. "Bubs," as he was known to all, was 87 and lost a short battle with cancer. A member of the MGSHPA Hall of Fame, Elder State Champion 1994-96, Bubs will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

## Bill Hildebrand

Born March 1, 1926, died June 5, 1998. Bill Hildebrand of Rosholt, Wisconsin, was put to rest by many of his horseshoe friends who were pallbearers for the service held June 8. Bill always encouraged anyone to pitch the game he so loved. He had 5 courts at his residence properly named "Horseshoe Hill." Everyone was welcome. Bill hadn't missed a World Tournament since 1985.

## Lee Jacobs

Lifetime NHPA member Lee Jacobs, of Belleville, Michigan died July 23, 1998 at the age of 92. Lee loved horseshoes and had been a member for 75 years. He won the Michigan State Championship three times and pitched in the World Tournament some 25 times where he sang the

national anthem to open the event. Lee was inducted into the NHPA Hall of Fame in 1984 and was also a member of the Michigan Wolverine and Michigan AAU Halls of Fame. Initial owner of the Lattore Horseshoe Co., Lee is survived by Helen, his wife for over 70 years, a son, daughter, five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

## Phillip H. Jensen

Northern Utah mourns the loss of Phillip Jensen, who died September 14, 1998. Phil was a state officer and a member of the State Horseshoe Pitchers and Bowling Hall of Fame. He loved life and many recreational activities. He had a talent in woodworking and many friends were given projects of his work. Phillip always had the old courts in American Fork in excellent shape and just prior to his passing, he supervised the construction of 14 new courts to replace the old that were taken to build a new library. The new courts, named in his honor, were dedicated September 26, 1998 with a special tournament that drew the largest entry of the year. Phillip is survived by his wife Clarine, three daughters, eleven grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

## Don Lee

Don Lee, of LaFollette, Tennessee, died May 23, 1998 from injuries received in an automobile accident as he and another Tennessee member were on their way to a horseshoe tournament in Joelton. He was an avid pitcher who played in the Kitchener World Tournament. A Marine Corps veteran of the Korean conflict, Don was very active in his church. He is survived by his wife Jeanette, one son, four daughters and eight grandchildren.

## James G. McCue, Jr.

Born March 10, 1920 in Maine, retired dentist Jim McCue died June 2, 1998 in Idaho Falls, Idaho where he had resided since 1953. He was a big promoter of horseshoes in Idaho where he served as the editor of their charter newsletter for nine years. In 1997, he took 2nd in the Idaho State

Championship, 60 years to the day after winning 2nd in the Maine State Championship. Jim is survived by his wife of 55 years, Phyllis, a son, five grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

### Martin L. Wittig

Colorado member Martin Wittig of Edgewater died June 13, 1998 at the age of 58. A member of the Edgewater club since 1989, Marty served as President and Secretary. He helped build the Earle Piper courts and placed 5th in class at the 1996 World Tournament. He is survived by his wife Annette, three daughters and three grandchildren.



### Dolores Zigrang

The Houston, Texas Horseshoe Club lost one of its first women pitchers with the July 10, 1998 death of Dolores Zigrang. Born in St. Louis, MO, the family moved to Houston in 1964. Joining the horseshoe club in 1982, she served as secretary and editor of the club newsletter and motivated other women to get involved in the sport. Dolores won many horseshoe pitching events. In 1990, she took 5th in the Senior Women's Division of the World Championship and in 1991 in Biloxi won Class "A" Senior Women. In 1985, she received her most honored award, NHPA Sanctioned League Director of the Year. To husband Jerry, family and friends, our deepest sympathy.

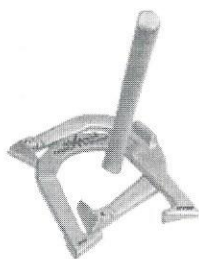
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Membership Dues . . . . .	\$25,014
Newsline Subscriptions . . . . .	5,678
Newsline Advertising . . . . .	452
Misc. Patch Sales and Income . . . . .	278
World Tournament Entry Fees . . . . .	165
World Tournament Photo Fees . . . . .	800
World Tournament Final Fees . . . . .	2,900
Bank Checking & Affinity Card Interest . . . . .	2,815
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$38,102</b>

### Expenditures

Newsline Printing and Mailing . . . . .	\$5,914
Newsline Editor Allowance . . . . .	616
Sanctioned League Office . . . . .	4
W.T. Cash, Trophy and Trust Awards . . . . .	32,200
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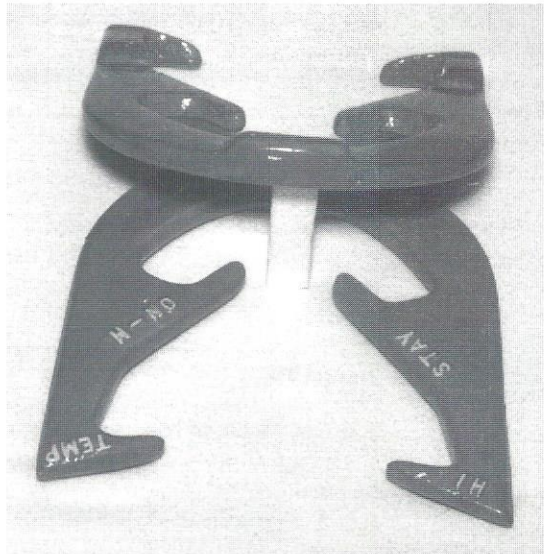
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## JANUARY 1999

**9-10 Yuma Southwest Classic**—Yuma, AZ. John F. Kennedy Memorial Park. \$10,000 prize money based on 96 entries. Four 40' classes, two Women and two Elder 30' classes, all 12 person groups. \$500 for 1st in each class, pay down to 6th. All interested send application only, no fee. If your average as of August 31 is high enough you will be notified after entries close on November 15. \$50 fee required after notification. Send name/address, phone, card # and Division applying for to: Bud Perry, 887 Riverview Place, Yuma, AZ 85365.

**21-24 Quartzsite Main Event**—Quartzsite, AZ. Prize money consists of entry fees plus \$2,500 added donation from Howard Armstrong. Entry fee \$30, includes scorekeeping fee. Additional fee for classes A-D paid at tournament. Pitch 2 days 12 person RR. 30' and 40' separated when possible. Entries close Jan. 14. Mail to: Gary Chalberg, 13118 E. 47th Dr., Yuma, AZ 85367. Phone 520-342-0426 for information or e-mail: arizonatwo@webtv.net

## FEBRUARY 1999

**1-5 Las Vegas Open**—San Remo Hotel & Casino. Check-in Monday, play starts Tuesday Feb. 2, ends Friday. Everyone pitches two days in groups of 12, class of 24. Mixed tournament limited to first 240 paid entrants. Play will be in same excellent tent as 1998. Twelve courts only, expect to pitch around the clock with maximum entries. Some groups may be handicapped. Top four in each class advance to ladder finals, prize money paid down to 10th position. Entry fee \$65. if lodged at San Remo, otherwise \$85. Contact Don Weaver for flyer and details. Phone 702-736-7348, be prepared to leave message.

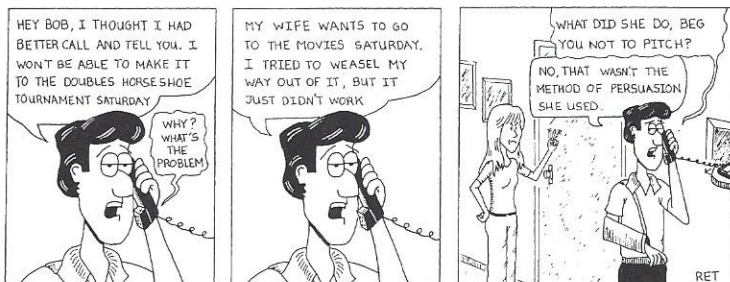
**7-14 Valley of the Sun**—Mesa, AZ. Entry fee \$20, additional for classes A-D, close Jan. 27. Mail to: Russ Martin, 702 S. Meridian, Sp 432, Apache Junction, AZ 85220. Information phone 602-986-4634.

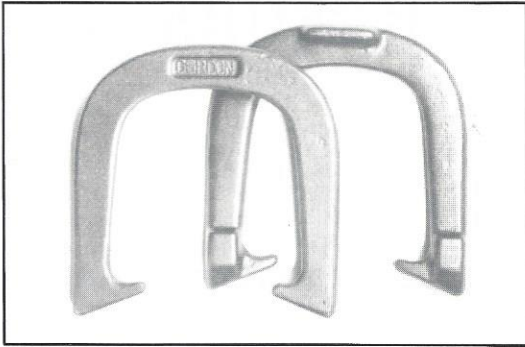
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## ALABAMA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP Huntsville, AL

Sept. 19, 1998 Sanc. #26-98-025

CLASS A	W	L	%
Michael Byram	7	1	53.2
Allen Smith	6	2	47.7
Ronald McGhee	4	3	50.2
Jim Harris	3	4	46.6
Jerome McCarty	3	4	44.9
Bobby Holland	2	5	43.5
Donnie Chumley	2	5	44.8
Randal Light	2	5	44.8
B James Conaway	5	0	48.5
C Billy Jones	6	1	36.8
D Dale Browning	5	0	29.8
E Larry Pettie	5	0	33.7
F Robert Colley	5	0	25.5
<b>WOMEN</b>			
Debbie Tidwell	2	0	25.0
Anette English	0	2	14.5
<b>ELDER MEN</b> Fred Betterton 45.3			

## ARKANSAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP Walker Park, Fayetteville, AR Sept. 5-6, 1998

MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP	W	L	%
Bill McKay	8	1	60.8
James Melson	7	2	56.9
Ron Hopman	6	3	52.5
Allan Clark	5	4	50.0
Archie Matheny	4	5	54.9
Paul Davis	4	5	51.5
Orval Nichols	3	6	53.5
Jerry Kahle	3	6	51.6
Robert Williams	3	6	47.4
Arthur Aeberman	1	8	42.9
<b>WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Opal Reno	6	0	70.7
Debbie Catlett	5	1	54.0
Beth Hill	3	3	53.6
Dianne Morgan	3	3	43.7
Phyllis Archer	2	4	47.6
Mary Fredrick	1	5	41.6
Wanda Davis	1	5	35.8

JUNIOR C CHAMPIONSHIP	W	L	%
Chase Battle	7	0	65.0
John Hentchel	5	2	41.4
Shane Dossett	5	2	42.1
Jeff Walters	4	3	46.5
Andrew Burroughs	3	4	37.9
Scotty Keene	3	4	32.6
Chris Carter	1	6	22.7
Brad Foran	0	7	16.8

30' ELDER CHAMPIONSHIP	W	L	%
E. Leslie Dixon	6	0	50.4
Claud Bray	3	3	42.8
Owen Carpenter	0	6	28.0
MEN A Ray Bailey	8	0	52.5
MEN B Buddy Preston	6	1	39.1
MEN C Perry Stephenson	7	2	36.4
MEN D Bud Lovitt	6	1	36.6
MEN E Jerry Boatright	7	1	33.1
MEN F Cleo Harrington	7	1	20.2
JR. A Raylynn Marlow	5	0	16.8
<b>WOMEN A</b> Melissa Pack 46.1			

## CALIFORNIA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

ELDER MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP	W	L	%
Ray Santana	7	0	77.3
Victor Ford	5	2	73.7

Leldon Day	4	3	61.3
Flash Mathenia	4	3	57.7
Tom Munoz	3	4	59.3
Jack Fravel	3	4	51.0
Don Bailey	2	5	63.2
Ed Riggs	0	7	34.4
B Carl Grabow	8	2	56.8
C Larry Ford	7	2	43.6
D Nelson Diehl	5	0	40.0

## JR. BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP

Frank Rodriguez, Jr.	6	0	62.1
Danney Pannell	4	2	36.2
Jeremy Toler	4	2	27.3
Aaron Garcia	3	3	36.1
Alfred Sample	2	4	18.7
Larry Hoelscher	1	5	13.6

## JR. GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP

Codi Anderson	1	5	10.6
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## MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

Gus Martin Jr.	8	2	54.7
Nathan Williams	7	3	61.7
Rick Birmingham	7	3	57.7
Delmas Whittier	7	3	50.9
Steve Belikoff	7	3	54.3
Earl Rapp	5	5	54.3
Dave Koch	4	6	52.0
John Sylvester	4	6	51.3
Gerald Hollman	2	8	45.5
Del Stockstill	2	8	44.8
Mike Neff	2	8	43.2
B Nick Ihli	9	3	53.5
C Don Henry	10	1	49.0
D Jack Chesshir	9	2	47.9
E Joaquin Mendez	10	1	44.3
F Carl Munz	11	1	33.8
G Don Beasley	10	2	39.1
H Joe Bonneville	9	1	30.2
I David O'Dell	10	1	22.0
J Bob Davis	8	1	15.5
K Justin Terry	7	1	18.2
L John Garcia	8	0	22.5
<b>SENIOR MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Dave Loucks	7	1	61.7
William Brown	5	3	56.7
Joe Gamble	5	3	55.6
Orville Lokken	2	6	45.5
George Reeder	1	7	38.1
<b>WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Teddy Guillotte	5	1	65.2
Gail Sluys	4	2	67.1
Linda Hoelscher	2	4	53.1
Elaine Annis	1	5	46.6
B Nancy Wingate	9	2	48.1
C Kathy Sharp	8	2	29.7
D Ann Swearingen	8	2	16.2

## COLORADO STATE TOURNAMENT

Grand Junction  
Sept. 5-6, 1998 Sanc. #13-98-023

MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP	W	L	%
Paul LaCrosse	10	0	67.2
Rich Pintor	8	2	65.3
<b>ELDER MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Don Wild	7	0	66.7
Dee Powell	6	1	61.1
<b>WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Virginia Sandoval	7	0	63.7
Sherri Franchini	5	2	55.7
Lou Conklin	5	2	50.8
Mildred Romero	4	3	51.0
Pam Cook	3	4	47.6
Tammy Payne	3	4	45.3
Marge Snyder	1	6	25.2
<b>JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Kevin Sturch	6	0	35.8
ELDER A Art Henke	5	3	48.4
A Don Schneck	5	6	51.4
B Deme Pineda	10	1	42.7
B-MIX Victor Klette	7	0	41.6

C Mel Crider	7	0	41.0
D Lee Stevenson	7	0	37.8
E-MIX Ken Morrell	7	1	32.8
F-MIX Ernie Flageolle	7	1	30.0
G-MIX Roger Sandoval	7	1	28.1
H-MIX Lyle Sain	7	0	21.4
I-MIX Dorothy Mitchell	10	1	6.6

## CONNECTICUT STATE TOURNEY

### MEN'S CLASS A

Norm Rioux	9	0	75.0
Don Maine	6	3	63.2
Pete Schermerhorn	6	3	61.1
Robert Tronsky	5	4	59.3
Ron Murry Sr.	5	4	56.6
Bill Strong	5	4	52.5
John Reilly	4	5	52.2
Dave Saunders	4	5	50.8

### WOMEN'S CLASS A

Catherine Hansen	6	1	48.2
Janet Anzalona	4	1	48.6
ELDER CLASS A Jim Pagliarulo	8	1	73.8
JR. BOY Ron Murry Jr.	7	0	52.6
JR. GIRL Tori Eaton	6	1	44.0
L-B Carol Atwood	2	4	33.5
B Jim Hagen	6	1	45.6
C Alex Mrazik	6	1	43.1
D Jim Halligan	7	1	43.6
E Mike Hollis	7	0	47.5
F Pat Cummings	6	2	43.1
G Frank Battiste	6	2	39.6
H Gary Doeden	7	1	34.4
I Ed Mancini	7	1	29.6
J Neil O'Marra	7	0	27.8
K Tom Smith	7	0	23.5

## FLORIDA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Clearwater April 18, 1998

### MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

Carl Steinfeldt	9	2	64.4
Ron Deckard	8	3	55/6
Don Titcomb	7	4	59.1
Glenn Rains	7	4	59.1
James Browere	7	4	53.6
Robert Zumbahlen	6	5	52.9
Glen E. Hoppes	6	5	61.3
Marvin E. Grubb	6	5	51.5
William E. Franke, Sr.	6	5	45.1
James Pete Peterson	5	6	44.4
Edwin F. Fox	4	7	50.9
Carl Memmer	1	10	39.1
B MEN Ralph Cullum	5	0	50.0
C MEN Ralph Cantrell	5	1	48.0
D MEN Norman Ameling	5	1	45.1
E MEN Jim Hainline	4	1	43.6
F MEN Gerald Sepka	6	0	46.0
G MEN Elmer Swartz	5	0	40.0
H MEN Ronald Boltz	5	1	34.0
I MEN Rloyd A Wingert	4	2	33.3
J MEN Roland E. Jones	4	1	32.0
K MEN Charlie Thornsbury	5	1	31.3
L MEN James Dillard	5	1	29.7
M MEN Dennis Jancoski	6	1	28.9
N MEN Robert Cummings	5	1	17.3
O MEN George L. Corson	5	1	15.0

### ELDERS CHAMPIONSHIP

Herb Drum	4	1	56.5
Roy Trussell	3	2	58.0
Wayne Cowger	2	2	58.5
Eugene D. Rock	2	2	61.0
William P. Tobin Jr.	0	4	40.0
B ELDER Cal Kaercher	5	0	43.2
C ELDER Cal Callaway	3	1	29.5
<b>JR. CHAMPIONSHIP (Boys and Girls)</b>			
Jay Kilpatrick	4	0	15.5
Virginia Cotter	3	1	3.5
Shaelynn Tyo	2	2	4.5
Rosemary Fulladosa	1	3	2.5
Adam Vanzanten	1	3	7.0

**WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP**

Carrie Carpenter	5	0	67.2
Linda Kaercher	4	1	52.0
Linda Rains	3	2	45.2
Judy Oliphant	2	3	48.0
Marge Spray	1	4	40.0
Betty Steinfeldt	0	5	40.4
<b>B WOMEN</b> Maxine Hunt	4	2	42.0
<b>C WOMEN</b> Susan Wright	6	0	36.0

**ILLINOIS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**

Galesburg

Sept. 4-7, 1998 Sanc. #29-98-055

**MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP**

Jerry Dumstorff	16	1	66.2
George Manker	14	3	57.9
Charlie Webb	13	4	64.3
Larry Knopp	13	4	62.6
Marvin Kramer	13	4	56.5
Cliff Baker	11	6	63.2
Kenneth Schaver	9	8	59.6
Dennis Davis	9	8	52.2
Lawrence Fettes, Jr.	9	8	51.7
Edmund Eckart	8	9	54.9
Norman Hartwell	7	10	51.3
Frank Wright	7	10	48.1
Michael Knop	6	11	53.9
LaFarrell Price	5	12	50.1
Norman Lebon	5	12	44.0
Robert Schaver	4	13	49.7
Mike McBride	2	15	46.1
Dennis Griesbaum	2	15	45.2
<b>B MEN</b> C. Leon Johnson	10	1	60.3
<b>C MEN</b> Bill Koons	9	2	51.9
<b>D MEN</b> Rober Schwebke	9	2	46.0
<b>E MEN</b> Gary Bardelmeier	9	2	44.5
<b>F MEN</b> Robert Pluckebaum	10	2	39.6
<b>G MEN</b> Todd Seehafer	9	2	40.2
<b>H MEN</b> Laverne Schroeder	11	0	36.0
<b>I MEN</b> Robert Wegman	9	2	32.3
<b>J MEN</b> "Dutch" Rittwegger	8	3	29.3
<b>K MEN</b> Randy Heath	9	1	34.4
<b>L MEN</b> Alfred Kaisershot	11	1	26.1
<b>M MEN</b> Roger Doering	10	1	26.7
<b>N MEN</b> Bernard Clark	8	1	20.6

**WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP**

Mary Hodges	7	1	52.0
Vida Marit	6	2	54.5
Sandra Hare	5	2	58.3
Diane Linzer	4	3	40.9
Suzanne Swank	3	4	53.7
Michelle Thornton	3	4	48.1
Karen Miller	1	6	32.7
Linda Roach	0	7	37.0
<b>A WOMEN</b> Mary Hodges	7	0	55.1
<b>B WOMEN</b> Linda Roach	6	0	47.3
<b>C WOMEN</b> Cathy Seymour	6	0	38.3
<b>D WOMEN</b> Sherri Keopke	5	1	28.2
<b>E WOMEN</b> Tina Press	5	1	22.6

**MEN'S 70+ CHAMPIONSHIP**

Earl Bragg	7	1	40.9
Vernon Muench	6	2	41.0
Walter Danielson	5	2	44.6
Wally Keith	5	2	34.6
Norman Keepees	3	4	32.1
Russell Dockstader	1	6	27.8
Bob McGarry	1	6	21.0
Jim Boetje	1	6	18.9

**JR. GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP**

Misty Pierce	5	0	38.5
Danielle Rakstad	4	1	20.0
Amanda King	2	3	5.5
Holly Cole	2	3	3.5
Melissa Dickerson	1	4	6.5
Katie Blanford	1	4	3.5

**JR. BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP**

Thomas Johnson	4	0	60.0
Jay Kohlmeier	3	1	33.1
Austin Bailey	2	2	29.3
James Smith	1	3	19.3
Josh Marlow	0	4	14.3
<b>B JR. B</b> Christopher Blanford	5	0	13.0

**INDIANA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**

Sept. 5-7, 1998 Sanc. #31-98-042

**MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP**

Mark Seibold	9	0	74.0
Dale Henry	7	2	64.2
Ralph Guffey	7	2	59.7
Chad Hyatt	6	3	64.7
Bill Ungetheim	5	4	67.2
Doc Rice	5	4	60.3
Ted McClure	2	7	54.6
Jack Riedemann	2	7	50.7
Doug Ray	1	8	55.4
Dale Moles	1	8	49.5

**WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP**

Dorothy Pittman	7	0	63.9
Nancy Yaros	6	1	52.5
Amy Tipton	5	2	54.4
Carol Johns	4	3	41.9
Edith Robinson	3	4	41.1
Jenny Morris	1	6	40.5
Tammi Cunningham	1	6	40.3
Ruth Stahl	1	6	28.4

**ELDER MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP**

Bob Logan	7	1	80.0
George Pilipovich	6	2	76.6
Curly Seibold	5	2	76.9
Cooley Smith	5	2	76.7
Warren Woolsey	3	4	68.1
Don Newell	2	5	56.7
Al Morris	1	6	54.6
Bob Wolfinger	0	7	50.3

**JR. BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP**

Allen Keen	6	0	68.9
Jeremy Burgett	3	3	58.2
Brent Keen	3	3	55.7

**MIXED DIVISION**

<b>A</b> Joe Graber	6	2	53.0
<b>B</b> Paul Meyer	7	1	50.0
<b>C</b> Herschel Walters	6	1	52.8
<b>D</b> Ken Jeffers	7	2	47.3
<b>E</b> Ralph Schriener	6	1	44.1
<b>F</b> Ralph Webb	5	2	36.7
<b>G</b> John Gillaspay	6	2	42.2
<b>H</b> Billy Heaton	7	0	42.9
<b>I</b> Carole Rahfeldt	6	2	37.2
<b>J</b> Jim Watson	7	1	34.6
<b>K</b> Herb McCoskey	7	0	26.7
<b>L</b> Curtis Miller	7	0	33.3
<b>M</b> Jerry Monticue	7	0	27.3
<b>N</b> David Wolfe	7	0	25.3
<b>O</b> Kerry Tucker	5	1	16.5

**IOWA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**

Aug. 16 &amp; 23, 1998 Sanc. #24-98-043

**CHAMPIONSHIP**

Lee Wiges	11	0	65.1
Jan Fleming	8	3	54.4
Marv Woolums	8	3	50.3
Marv Engstler	7	4	51.2
Brian Fleming	7	4	48.9
Leo Buell	6	5	49.8
Bob McKee	5	6	45.9
Wilbur Rasmussen	4	7	42.0
Larry Purcell	3	8	50.5
Leroy Law	3	8	40.6
Glen Warden	2	9	42.6
Marv Kolash	2	9	37.0
<b>CLASS A-1</b> Terry Shea	4	0	50.0
<b>CLASS A-2</b> John Oshea	5	1	40.3
<b>CLASS A-3</b> Ralph Palmer	5	1	33.1
<b>CLASS A-4</b> Marv Dirks	4	0	32.8
<b>CLASS A-5</b> Bob Dugger	5	1	36.6
<b>CLASS A-6</b> Leonard Mullins	5	0	27.6
<b>CLASS B-1</b> Marv Strocke	4	1	28.3
<b>CLASS B-2</b> Phil McKee	5	0	24.6
<b>CLASS B-3</b> Brett Robb	5	0	28.8

**MEN'S ELDER CHAMPIONSHIP**

Bill Horder	3	1	48.5
Marv Stanek	2	2	47.6
Ed Walsh	2	2	44.6
Bob Block	2	2	41.6
Jim Jackson	1	3	39.7
<b>MEN 30' A</b> Gene Pittman	5	1	32.5

**WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP**

Cathy Carter	6	0	66.2
Kristi Kleych	4	2	38.9
Phyllis Von Thun	2	4	37.3
Betty McGregor	0	6	28.8
<b>WOMEN'S A</b> Annette Hudson	4	1	30.5
<b>JR. CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Joe Smith	4	0	67.1
Richie Boll	3	1	59.1
Dan Smith	2	2	35.1
James Fortune	1	3	41.7
Kyle Ruopp	0	4	12.0

**KENTUCKY STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**

Sept. 5-6, 1998

**MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP**

Charles Meredith	6	2	69.2
Matt Guy	6	3	59.3
Walter Mullins	5	3	60.9
Greg Nalley	4	3	63.5
Bill Garrett	4	3	53.2
Paul Gunter	3	4	52.4
Steve Ingram	1	6	50.3
Tony Hankins	1	6	48.2
<b>MEN B</b> Bobby Brooks	6	1	56.2
<b>MEN C</b> Lou Colpitts	5	1	45.1
<b>MEN D</b> Timmy Jackson	7	1	46.5
<b>MEN E</b> Benny Henson	7	0	46.2
<b>MEN F</b> Billy Wade	5	1	33.3
<b>MEN G</b> Rocky Haney	7	0	35.2
<b>MEN H</b> Jerry Elliott	5	0	34.7

**WOMEN A**

Sue Snyder	5	0	89.5
Becky Kemper	3	2	82.4
Lois Webster	0	6	75.8
<b>WOMEN B</b> Sissy Lewis	6	1	56.8
<b>WOMEN C</b> Jenny Brown	6	0	37.8

**ELDER MEN A**

Cecil Cook	6	0	72.3
Omar Blacketer	3	3	58.1
<b>ELDER MEN B</b> Bill Henn	5	1	56.2
<b>ELDER MEN C</b> Paul Lee	5	0	33.5
<b>JUNIOR BOY</b> Wesley Kemper	6	0	30.4

**MAINE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**

Aug. 8-9, 1998 Sanc. #45-98-005

**MEN'S CLASS A**

Carl York	9	0	55.7
Bob Hamilton	8	1	46.0
David Gallant	7	2	49.1
Albert Lord	6	3	54.4
Ron Thibeault	4	5	43.6
Bob Dewitt	4	5	38.2
Harlan Parsons	3	6	40.2
Dan Thompson	2	7	39.8
John Leach	2	7	38.8
Tim Lavalle	0	9	25.4
<b>B</b> George Dame	8	1	43.8
<b>C</b> Bruce Simpson	6	1	36.6
<b>D</b> Clifton Williams	6	1	34.5
<b>E</b> Jerold Drugge	7	1	34.9
<b>F</b> David Lord	8	2	21.7

**WOMEN'S CLASS A**

Gerry Brooks	6	0	71.6
Carol Simpson	4	2	64.4
<b>LB</b> Peggy Cyr	2	4	57.3
<b>JR. BOY A</b> Joseph Ramsdell III	5	0	61.0
<b>JR. B</b> Daryl Dewitt	0	5	48.5
<b>JR. C</b> Dave Thibeault	9	1	34.6

**MASSACHUSETTS STATE TOURNEY**

Aug. 8-9, 1998 Sanc. #48-98-004

**MEN'S CLASS A**

John Kapnis	7	0	72.9
Charlie Bonani	6	1	64.8
Rick Howe	5	2	65.6
Paul Kirby	4	3	58.0
Ray Bedard	3	4	52.5
Bob Hartsorn	1	6	50.8
Kirk Deluca	1	6	46.2
John Millette	1	6	36.4
<b>B</b> Bill English	6	0	45.5
<b>C</b> Robert Foisy	7	0	51.5
<b>D</b> George St. Pierre	6	1	39.1

E Don Ricard	6	1	35.5
F Russell Gibbs	7	0	31.1
G George Carreau	7	0	17.4
<b>WOMEN'S CLASS A</b>			
Barbara Hanson	6	2	66.5
Kathleen Sullivan	4	3	63.7
Mary Ryan	4	3	60.8
Debby Michaud	0	6	55.7
B Janet Dicalogero	5	0	45.5
<b>ELDER CLASS A</b>			
Angelo Cieslak	5	1	54.4
Joseph Pepi	4	2	48.2
Amos Whitaker	3	3	40.9
Paul Hackett	0	6	7.8
JR. BOYS A Robbie Laptewicz			50.3
JR. GIRLS A Bonnie Kruczek			11.0

**MINNESOTA GOPHER STATE CHAMPIONSHIP** Sleepy Eye, MN.  
Sept. 4-7, 1998 Sanc. #23-98-16

<b>MEN'S CLASS A</b>			
Dale Lipovsky	7	0	77.1
Mark Baumann	5	2	62.7
Gerald Stangland	5	2	62.2
Eric Sandquist	4	3	63.8
Wayne Totten	3	4	60.5
Dave Hughes	2	5	60.9
Pete Vanderweyst	2	5	58.6
Tim Bayerl	0	7	31.1
<b>MEN B</b> Danny Carlson			
<b>MEN C</b> Jake David			
<b>MEN D</b> Dick Moen			
<b>MEN E</b> Mike Granquist			
<b>MEN F</b> Steve Stensgaard			
<b>MEN G</b> Rick Wright			
<b>MEN H</b> Ken Howe			
<b>MEN I</b> Dave Imme			
<b>MEN J</b> Del Karsjens			
<b>MEN K</b> Dan Hammer			
<b>MEN L</b> Gary Boots			
<b>MEN M</b> Ole Hovey			
<b>MEN N</b> Dale Girtz			
<b>MEN O</b> Gerald Piehl			
<b>MEN P</b> Jay Schneider			
<b>MEN Q</b> Mike Elle			
<b>MEN R</b> Roy Albrecht			
<b>MEN S</b> Randy Grover			
<b>MEN T</b> Doug Bolman			
<b>MEN U</b> Bernard Stevermer			
<b>WOMEN CLASS A</b>			
Bev Nathe	5	0	79.6
Edi Holland	4	1	65.1
Pat Stumpf	3	2	62.9
Rosie Leyk	2	3	60.8
Lu Cave	1	4	56.8
Christy Cave	0	5	55.8
<b>WOMEN B</b> Marlys Timm			
<b>WOMEN C</b> Marlene Smith			
<b>WOMEN D</b> Cyndi Stepka			
<b>JR. BOYS CLASS A</b>			
Randy Albrecht	7	0	70.8
Lance Albrecht	5	2	48.6
Dietrich Peterson	5	2	37.9
Joey Henry	4	3	43.1
Jared Froelich	3	4	31.2
Adam Mead	2	5	32.4
Matt Sallila	1	6	29.7
David Mead	0	7	18.1
<b>JR. BOYS B</b> Ben Boman			
<b>JR. BOYS C</b> Brian Robertson			
<b>JR. BOYS D</b> Tony Donarski			
<b>JR. GIRLS CLASS A</b>			
Joy Sandquist	5	0	40.2
Tina Bussey	4	2	40.2
Sarah David	3	2	32.6
Lana Carlson	2	3	33.5
Angie Karow	1	4	21.3
Melissa Hiller	1	4	16.8
<b>JR. GIRLS B</b> Ashley Anderson			
<b>JR. GIRLS C</b> Alexandra Hagen			
<b>SR. MEN CLASS A</b>			
Art Moran	6	1	47.5
Jim Aleckson	4	2	48.1
Norm Morrison	4	2	45.4

Ralph Marcks	2	3	33.0
Joe Anzaldi	1	4	37.0
Don Sieben	0	5	15.6
<b>SR. MEN B</b> Les Holland			
<b>ELDER MEN CLASS A</b>			
Len Lipovsky	5	1	64.0
Myron Flann	4	2	59.3
Richard Hahn	3	2	52.1
Ray Tiili	2	3	47.2
Harold Schrader	2	3	44.2
Don Larson	0	5	30.4
<b>ELDER MEN B</b> Al Luthens			
<b>ELDER MEN C</b> Joel Stenhaus			

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<b>MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Sam Carter	10	1	63.2
Stan Griggs	9	2	63.0
Richard Altis	9	2	53.4
Mick Gillette	6	5	50.4
Elwyn Cooper	6	5	49.3
Randall Grady	5	6	51.5
M.O. Turner	5	6	49.8
Ken Pogue	5	6	48.5
Jim Howard	3	8	44.9
Tom Ebers	3	8	43.5
Bob Thompson Sr.	3	8	40.1
Jerry Ruby	2	9	45.1
<b>MEN A</b> Dale Parrott			
<b>MEN B</b> Don Enke			
<b>MEN C</b> Dan Hobbs			
<b>MEN D</b> Gary Rehm			
<b>MEN E</b> Edward Griffith			
<b>MEN F</b> Larry Lucas			
<b>MEN G</b> Robert Kingsolver			
<b>MEN H</b> Steve Flood			
<b>MEN I</b> Marvin Rogers			
<b>MEN J</b> Dave Sage			
<b>MEN K</b> Reggie Kuhs			
<b>MEN L</b> Paul Taylor			
<b>MEN M</b> Mark Myers			
<b>MEN N</b> Brad Richardson			
<b>MEN O</b> Duane Buhr			
<b>MEN P</b> Johnny Egeland			
<b>MEN Q</b> Steve Boswell			
<b>MEN R</b> Todd A. Barnes			
<b>MEN S</b> Charlie Ingram			
<b>MEN T</b> Michael Surratt			
<b>WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Rose Diekamp	8	1	63.2
Vicki Winston	6	2	63.9
Karen Romig	6	2	51.7
Mary Ann Ell	4	3	56.3
Pam Henderson	2	5	52.1
Loree Meier	2	5	51.8
Jan Kreienkamp	2	5	47.4
Doris Stubenrauch	0	7	33.6
<b>WOMEN'S A</b> Sharon Taylor			
<b>WOMEN'S B</b> Rosemary Kern			
<b>WOMEN'S C</b> Eldora Weldon			
<b>WOMEN'S D</b> Tamra Grannon			
<b>WOMEN'S E</b> Thelma Trent			
<b>WOMEN'S F</b> Christine Faron			
<b>SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Bob Diekamp	5	0	55.6
Clifford Collins	4	1	39.9
Don Mercier	2	3	36.9
Earl Winston	2	3	33.5
Roy Evans	1	4	30.4
Reese Warden	1	4	26.1
<b>SENIOR A</b> Jerry Griggs			
<b>ELDER 30 FT. CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
William Rector	7	0	74.1
Don Harris	5	2	70.5
Oden Sullivan	4	3	61.1
Darwin Compton	4	3	57.1
Calvin Jaeger	3	4	52.5
George Weldon	3	4	50.8
Waller Huffman	1	6	44.6
William Weindell	1	6	41.9
<b>ELDER 30 FT. A</b> Ray Owens			
<b>ELDER 30 FT. B</b> Ken Sykora			
<b>JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Levi Blevins	7	0	50.3

Tyler Elfrink	5	2	52.0
Brent Guier	5	2	46.8
Nathan Hampton	4	3	44.6
Rusty Davis	4	3	41.2
Joshua Joers	2	5	27.7
Sarah Ann Geisler	1	6	21.7
Christopher Fields	0	7	22.0
<b>JUNIOR A</b> Kevin Hampton Jr.			

**MONTANA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**  
Aug. 29-30, 1998 Great Falls, MT

<b>CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Marcus Mossness	10	4	49.3
Jack Boston	10	4	51.5
Archie Dulaney	10	4	45.9
Dave Rothweiller	7	7	46.5
Ron Lee Mossness	7	7	43.7
Bennie Berdahl	4	10	43.4
Al Dige	4	10	38.7
Darrell Beckwith	4	10	38.5
<b>CLASS B</b> Steve Ketterling			
<b>CLASS C</b> Phil Townsend			
<b>CLASS D</b> Randy Juell			
<b>CLASS E</b> Bob Schlieve			
<b>CLASS F</b> Darin Gullings			
<b>WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Rose Couture	3	1	43.4
Shelbi Paul	2	2	38.1
Lynn Juell	1	3	29.2
<b>SENIOR MEN'S DIVISION</b>			
Cal Simmons	6	0	45.3
Floyd Rada	3	3	36.4
Glen Lovejoy	2	4	38.3
Linde Ness	1	5	29.6

**NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE TOURNEY**  
Aug. 8, 1998 Sanc. #47-98-005

<b>MEN'S CLASS A</b>			
Brians Simmons	5	1	71.2
Dale Glidden	4	2	68.1
Bill Dannhauer	2	4	58.8
Dave Wescott	1	5	52.6
<b>B</b> Roger Pelton			
<b>C</b> David Moore			
<b>D</b> Norm Green			
<b>E</b> Danny Benjamin			
<b>F</b> Ed Traquair			
<b>G</b> John Wardner			
<b>H</b> Arthur Shepard			
<b>WOMEN'S CLASS A</b>			
Debbie Alexander	5	0	81.6
Lisa Maille	0	5	66.6
<b>B</b> Marge Boudrias			
<b>C</b> Kathy Peery			
<b>JR. GIRL</b> Estelie Green			
<b>JR. BOY</b> Daryl Smith			

**NEW YORK STATE TOURNAMENT**  
Sept. 4-7, 1998 Sanc. #44-98-001

<b>MEN'S A</b>			
Art Tyson	10	0	74.8
Bob Hayes	7	3	66.3
Bob Wilsch	6	4	63.2
<b>MEN B</b> Robert Jones			
<b>MEN C</b> Larry Straub			
<b>MEN D</b> Rodger James Jr.			
<b>MEN E</b> Lenn Davis			
<b>MEN F</b> Carl Gehres			
<b>MEN G</b> Steve Evanczik			
<b>MEN H</b> Lyle Wiedrick			
<b>MEN I</b> Ernie Pound			
<b>MEN J</b> Bob Klock			
<b>MEN K</b> Ray Hall			
<b>MEN L</b> Jerry Jessmore			
<b>MEN M</b> Wayne Hamilton			
<b>MEN N</b> Jim Euken			
<b>MEN O</b> Dan Phillips			
<b>MEN P</b> Bob Cyr			
<b>MEN Q</b> Jim Bell			
<b>MEN R</b> Craig Schadler			
<b>MEN S</b> Glenn Grossman			
<b>MEN T</b> Donald Goodman			
<b>MEN U</b> John Laughlin			
<b>MEN V</b> Hoppy Hopkins			



<b>MEN W</b> Ray Ewart	5	0	16.5
<b>WOMEN'S A</b>			
Sue Twyman	10	0	73.1
Karen Graham	6	4	50.6
Charlotte Reigles	5	5	51.1
<b>WOMEN B</b> Marian Gee	6	1	41.4
<b>WOMEN C</b> Judy McChesney	7	1	42.7
<b>WOMEN D</b> Toni Kurowski	6	1	26.6
<b>SENIOR A</b>			
John Bogardus	7	0	66.7
David Scott	6	1	51.8
John Kozik, Jr.	5	2	47.0
<b>SENIOR B</b> Jake Broedel	5	0	25.0
<b>ELDER A</b>			
Ernest Blanchet	4	0	57.7
Ed Risley	2	2	50.5
Forest Kallin	2	2	46.8
<b>ELDER B</b> Ken Nixon	5	1	36.7
<b>JR. BOYS A</b>			
Richard Marks Jr.	7	0	36.8
Ryan McAtee	6	1	40.9
Chad Bush	5	2	45.3
<b>JR. BOYS B</b> Richard Beardslee	6	0	22.7
<b>JR. GIRLS A</b>			
Tenesia Mayer	4	0	43.1
Elizabeth King	3	1	28.9
Becky Botting	2	2	12.9

**NORTH CAROLINA STATE SINGLES**  
Sept. 5, 1998 Sanc. #40-98-022

<b>MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Tommy Gann	7	0	82.3
Rick Bolick Sr.	5	2	67.1
N.A. Moore	5	2	63.9
Clyde Southern	4	3	66.0
Randy Joines	3	4	58.5
Paul Stewart	2	5	56.2
Charles Cooper	1	6	55.2
Jake Hoff	1	6	48.7
<b>CLASS A</b> Dufaye Pearson	6	1	50.0
<b>CLASS B</b> Bill Kidwell	6	1	52.8
<b>CLASS C</b> Basil Huffman	7	0	46.7
<b>CLASS D</b> Ronnie Elliott	5	1	29.5
<b>CLASS E</b> Eddie Talbert	7	0	27.1
<b>CLASS F</b> Paul Barlow	5	1	19.5

**WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP**

Rivers Prewette	6	0	68.1
Aileen Drayer	3	3	60.9
Becky Kemp	3	3	58.8
Sheila Bolick	0	6	43.7
<b>WOMEN A</b> Terry Miller	6	0	30.3
<b>ELDER CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Earl Caudill	3	1	50.0
Tom Eaton	2	2	46.3
Frank	1	3	38.1
<b>GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Airel Bolick	4	0	17.6
Laura Narbut	0	4	3.5
<b>BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Eric Gann	4	0	16.1

**OHIO STATE TOURNAMENT**

Sept. 4-7, 1998 Sanc. #36-98-054

<b>MEN A</b>			
Alan Francis	11	0	84.2
Elden Sarbaugh	7	4	71.0
John Walters	7	4	69.6
Virgil Rife	7	4	69.5
Gary Roberts	7	4	65.3
Jim Walters	6	5	67.4
John Martin	5	6	62.7
John Brown	4	7	68.7
Jim Riley	4	7	64.7
Oscar Manns	4	7	59.9
Jim Cooper	3	8	62.7
Roy Hunt	1	10	55.8
<b>MEN B</b> Jim Knisley	9	2	68.7
<b>MEN C</b> Dave Emrick	10	1	63.2
<b>MEN D</b> Levi Miller, Jr.	7	4	54.8
<b>MEN E</b> Dave Plowman	10	1	52.9
<b>MEN F</b> Darryl Miller	9.5	1.5	49.7
<b>MEN G</b> James Coakley	6	1	46.0
<b>MEN H</b> Ted Freeman	6	1	52.9
<b>MEN I</b> Phillip Karnes	6	1	42.5

<b>MEN J</b> Brian Knapp	7	0	48.2
<b>MEN K</b> Meredith Kahrig	6	1	41.4
<b>MEN L</b> Dave Brown	6	1	37.9
<b>MEN M</b> William West	7	0	40.0
<b>MEN N</b> Dan Sanders	6	1	30.0
<b>MEN O</b> Louis Fitzgerald	7	0	35.4
<b>MEN P</b> Tony Kakaris	4	1	40.0
<b>MEN Q</b> Bob Belden	4	1	25.0
<b>MEN R</b> Harley Thomas	6	1	32.4
<b>MEN S</b> Kelley Neace	6	1	38.5
<b>MEN T</b> Tony Stafford	5	0	21.5
<b>MEN U</b> Pete Bennett	6	1	20.3
<b>MEN V</b> Bill Schatz	5	0	17.5
<b>MEN W</b> Ed Rindler	4	1	25.0

**WOMEN A**

Carolyn Rice	7	0	74.5
Amy Francis	6	1	77.8
Ruth Rife	5	2	62.2
Donna Dodson	4	3	65.9
Tina Tonnous	3	4	62.4
Jeannie Manns	2	5	55.1
Helen Eakins	1	6	41.7
Lisa Conley	0	7	45.8
<b>WOMEN B</b> Sue Deaton	6	1	52.2
<b>WOMEN C</b> Shirley Wahlie	6	1	32.1
<b>WOMEN D</b> Cindy Dodson	5	0	31.8
<b>WOMEN E</b> Ruth Ann Dodson	5	0	35.6
<b>WOMEN F</b> Teri McInerney	5	0	25.5

**ELDERS A**

Earl Vansant	4	1	60.5
Joe Pillion	4	1	54.5
Roy Lyons	3	2	58.5
Fred Brownfield	3	2	53.0
Melvin Bair	1	4	34.5
Don Carson	0	5	30.5
<b>ELDER B</b> David Kirk	5	0	38.0

**JR. BOYS A**

Ryan Roberts	6	0	57.2
Josh Brooks	4	2	53.9
Joshua Hampton	1	5	24.3
<b>JR. BOYS B</b> D.J. Hatfield	4	0	43.7
<b>JR. BOYS C</b> Jarred Giesey	4	1	22.0
<b>JR. GIRLS A</b> Stacey Sanders	1	5	30.0
<b>JR. GIRLS B</b> Jenae Alredge	2	2	33.1

**OKLAHOMA STATE TOURNAMENT**

Yukon Sept. 5, 1998 Sanc. #20-98-015

**MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP**

Tom Goff	7	0	59.0
Glenn King	5	2	54.0
Tim Lakins	5	2	51.5
Jerry Holt	4	3	47.7
Harold Gaston	3	4	42.4
Lee Driscoll	2	5	40.1
Ronnie Frederick	1	6	41.4
Gary Wood	1	6	40.0
<b>MEN A</b> Harold Gaston	7	2	46.9
<b>MEN B</b> Bob Belden	7	0	36.7
<b>MEN C</b> Billy Walters	7	0	30.0
<b>MEN D</b> David Montgomery	7	0	24.6
<b>MEN E</b> Willard Fortner	3	0	26.6
<b>MEN F</b> Claude Worley	3	1	20.0

**ELDER MEN CHAMPIONSHIP**

Willard Brakhage	5	2	47.8
Perry Brown	4	3	34.5
Bob Reese	2	4	37.0
Don Ools	2	4	36.8
<b>ELDER A</b> Coy Mobley	2	1	34.7

**WOMEN CHAMPIONSHIP**

Kathy Greene	6	1	63.7
Wanda Morris	5	2	62.7
Barbara Goff	5	2	53.6
Lucinda Frisbie	4	3	44.4
Ardith King	2	5	34.1
Alyeene Hensley	1	6	26.1
<b>WOMEN A</b> Lucinda Frisbie	5	0	41.5
<b>WOMEN B</b> Debbie McAdoo	5	0	22.9

**JR. BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP**

Justin Horton	4	0	27.8
<b>JR. BOYS A</b> Jeremy McDaniel	0	4	4.0
<b>JR. GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP</b>			
Michelle Jarrett	4	0	49.0
Rebecca King	2	2	45.3
<b>JR. GIRLS A</b> Trina Burk	4	0	7.0

**OREGON STATE TOURNAMENT**

Sept. 5-6, 1998 Sanc. #02-98-033

**MEN A**

Ed Fogel	8	0	59.2
Barry Chapelle	7	1	60.2
Ben Wiedrich	6	2	61.3
Don Lewis	5	3	50.9
Rick Rebman	3	5	49.4
David Gorton	3	5	48.3
David Brown	2	6	51.7
Art Gee	2	6	42.3
Bill Graham, Jr.	0	8	41.2
<b>MEN B</b> Warner Kirlin	6	1	39.7
<b>MEN C</b> Gene Dinkel	6	1	36.7
<b>MEN D</b> Francis Hampton	5	1	37.6
<b>MEN E</b> Gary Frost	5	1	24.0
<b>MEN F</b> Lloyd Kilgore	5	1	20.1

**WOMEN A**

LaVerne Ewing	6	2	66.8
<b>WOMEN B</b> Betsy Porter	3	1	25.0
<b>ELDERS A</b>			
Earl DeWald	7	0	75.1
Marvin Tatchio	6	1	64.9
Al Brennan	4	3	63.6
Lowell Davis	3	4	63.5
Tuff Moles	1	6	59.1
<b>ELDERS B</b> Lee Wallace	2	5	52.7

**JUNIOR A**

Tyler Inman	4	0	35.8
Tyler Chenault	2	2	22.9

**S. CAROLINA STATE TOURNAMENT**

Sept. 5, 1998 Sanc. #41-98-030

**CHAMPIONSHIP**

A.J. Nave	7	0	75.6
Dean Broome	5	2	72.4
Stan Posey	5	2	70.4
Tom Westbrook	3	4	67.7
Terry Hudson	3	4	67.4
Norman Kelley	3	4	64.4
Randy Hudson	1	6	60.0
Jimmy Broome	1	6	57.1
<b>CLASS A</b> Joe Carver	4	1	55.5
<b>CLASS B</b> Mitch Brantley	5	0	41.0
<b>CLASS C</b> Butch McCarley	4	1	20.0

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Will Sutton	5	0	40.3
Hubert Sutton	4	1	35.5
Shane Posey	3	2	32.5
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William Blackwell	1	4	27.5
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E.T. Hensley	3	4	56.3
Hank Irwin	3	4	55.9
Loyd Wyatt	2	5	54.8
Richard Evans	0	7	50.5
<b>CLASS B</b> Jack Freeman	6	1	45.9
<b>CLASS C</b> Jeff Birchfield	5	0	43.7
<b>CLASS D</b> Douglas Sullins	5	0	35.7
<b>CLASS E</b> Steve Gunter	4	1	35.7

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Marlene Ray	4	1	72.5
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