

THE HORSESHOE WORLD



FEBRUARY, 1934



A few belated state tournament reports are given this issue. . . . all add to the fact that 1933 was the greatest ringer percentage year in history . . . we made history in 1933 . . . it was a Century of Progress year and new records were made, but only to be broken . . . these California lads are record smashers . . . several states report progress in forming solid state organizations . . . Michigan is making plans for the coming year . . . Ohio, California, New Jersey, Missouri and many others are holding meetings to plan for 1934 . . . Oklahoma is to be organized we hear . . . there is nothing new on the Colorado Springs plan to hold a 1934 summer meet . . . they are still interested . . . the Illinois boys are planning an amateur meet, probably at the World's Fair . . . it looks like big "doins" this summer!

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but will proceed with a vigorous, well-planned program regardless of the opinions of the minority. It is necessary some times to lose the membership of one member who will not "line up" in order to serve the best interests of perhaps ten other good members.

Let's be real sports and put away petty differences. Get into the organization and help put over your ideas. Don't stand outside and object!

OUR READERS COME FIRST

In publishing *THE HORSESHOE WORLD*, our readers come first. The magazine is printed monthly for them and every article is run with the idea of interesting them. Suggestions to the editor for the betterment of the magazine are always welcomed.

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SHOE TARGET SHOOT

The Horseshoe Target Shoot held the Peekskill (N. Y.) Brookside Horseshoe Pitching club on November 28th, proved to be a popular and successful event.

In pitching 20 shoes to the peg for the highest possible score without warm up, the highest score attained was made by William Valentine, the club's pitching ace, who succeeded in scoring but 33 points.

There were 19 prizes contested for with the lowest prize winner scoring 11 points. Next high to Valentine was Wm. Albrecht, the runner up in the Depew Park contest of last September who scored 32 points. Other high men were John Jackson 29, Clessen Croft 38, Jas. Spellman Jr. 28, Stephen Martin 27, Harry Morley 27, H. Kitzkie 25. There were several ties which were settled by the flip of a coin by which the winner gained first choice of the remaining prizes.

Of the many prize winners there was but from one to two points difference between them as the score dropped from high score of 33 points to low score of 11 points.

Entry tickets for the contest numbered from No. 1 up, were sold and each contestant pitched in the order which the number of the ticket indicated. Each contestant was allowed to enter a total of three times in an effort to better his previous scores. A total of 72 entry tickets were sold and a neat sum was added to the club's treasury as all the prizes had been given gratis by Peekskill merchants.

The contest was thought out and arranged by the club's president, Hugh S. Wilson, while Daniel Dore, the club's captain supervised the pitching. Douglas Heady was official scorer and Charles Hills acted as referee.

The club anticipates holding another event of this kind in February while in the meantime semi-weekly contests will be held for the benefit of the club, but among the club members only.

The Brookside club now has a total membership of 30, eight of which have joined since fall. Some of these are very promising young pitchers who will give a good account of themselves on the club team next season.

Hansford Jackson	10	11	.476	67.0
Vyrl Jackson	5	16	.238	65.0
B. C. Farmer	3	18	.143	53.0
E. L. Satterlee	2	19	.095	54.0

Note—TRA, ringer average for entire tournament.

Mrs. Carrol (Grace) Jackson pitched an exhibition game with Katherine Smith, making 70 per cent ringer average. She also pitched Mrs. Guy (Nora) Zimmerman, making 60 per cent ringers.

Purses were divided: First 25 per cent, second 20; third, 15; fourth, 10; fifth, 9; sixth, 8; seventh 7, and eighth, 6 per cent.

START NEW YEAR RIGHT

The Piqua (Ohio) Horseshoe club ushered in the New Year with an all-day pitch New Years day.

This organization of enthusiastic sportsmen conducted this pitch at their new courts located in the armory of Battery E, 135th Field Artillery, Ohio National Guard, which is in the heart of the city—(a horseshoe pitcher's dream).

Contests galore were staged. The prize list consisted of turkeys, ducks, chickens, pigeons, etc.

Among those noticed tossing the ringers with regularity, was the mayor of Piqua, V. R. Osborne, one of the mainstays of the club, a real sportsman, and incidentally one of the most proficient pitchers of that city, which is saying a lot.

The visitors from out of the city who took advantage of the courts, were Dr. H. F. Raterman of Sidney, Dr. Alan R. Pottle of Dayton, president of the Buckeye State Association; Loy D. Johnston, of Springfield, Secretary of the Buckeye State Association, and Lester A. Allen, of Springfield, President of the Southwestern District group of the Buckeye State Horseshoe Pitchers Association.

President A. W. Evilsizor, residing on Route No. 2, Piqua, in behalf of the twenty some members of the club extends to the horseshoe pitching fraternity a cordial invitation to visit their courts, and meet some real sportsmen, and good fellows.

CHANGE LEAGUE GAMES

The Greater Cleveland Horseshoe League held a meeting January 21. Among other things decided was a motion, which passed, providing the use of the 50-shoe pitch in all league games instead of 50 points.

WORLD'S CHAMPION WINS 'NOTHER ONE!

Theodore Allen, world champion, won the special inter-state horseshoe pitching tournament at the Auto Park pits, west of Lincoln Park, Long Beach.

Allen won 18 games out of the 21 games in the finals, losing three. Fernando Isais, California champion, and Frank Jackson, 64-year-old hurler who has held the national title 13 times, each defeated Allen Saturday morning before the rain stopped the event, and Hansford Jackson downed the world champion yesterday, 50-38.

Averages of Allen and Isais are several points higher than in previous tournaments. The tournament was a success despite the bad weather, according to W. B. Yost, tournament supervisor. The final standings:

	W	L	Pct	TRA
Theodore Allen	18	3	.857	77.7
Fernando Isais	17	4	.810	76.5
Guy Zimmerman	15	6	.714	72.0
Frank Jackson	14	7	.667	72.0

 * ONE TO SHOOT AT, BOYS *
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 * A new world's record of *
 * 496 ringers for a doubles *
 * match in which 10 games of 21 *
 * points were played was made *
 * recently by the Alhambra, Cal- *
 * ifornia, Horseshoe Pitching *
 * club's quartet—Ted Allen, the *
 * world's individual champion, *
 * A. J. Byrns, Frank Beall and *
 * Bob Pease. Beal was high with *
 * 130 singles ringers and 45 *
 * double ringers. The previous *
 * mark was 486 ringers. *

NAME OFFICERS

The Southwestern District of the Buckeye State Horseshoe Pitchers Association, elected officers December 10, as follows: President, Lester A. Allen, Springfield; vice president, A. A. Mumford, Dayton; secretary, Harry S. Ellsworth, Springfield; treasurer, William E. Johnson, Dayton.

Leo G. Lattore, of the firm of Lattore & Levagood, manufacturers of the Lattore shoe, is assisting in the promotion of the game by promoting a school of instruction at the Log Cabin Indoor Horseshoe Club, located at 12628 Woodrow Wilson Ave., Detroit.

HORSESHOES

By Elizabeth Hart, in
 Cappers Farmer

Hank, step off the distance,
 You have the longest legs,
 Got the horseshoes, have you,
 Bill?
 Here, I'll set the pegs.

How's that for a leaner—
 Beat it if you can;
 Sam's a little shaky,
 Steady there, ol' man!

Guess my eyesight's failin',
 Missed it by a mile—
 You fellers get me rattled—
 Tame down there awhile.

Now, you'll see some pitchin'
 If you ever will—
 Hoo-ray—that's the stuff—you
 bet
 It's a ringer, Bill?

BOOSTS AMATEUR IDEA

Editor Horseshoe World,
London, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

As a participant and booster of the horseshoe game, I would like to see the amateur have the same chance as the professional towards the development of the sport.

There is a vast army of horseshoe pitchers in this state (Maine), and no doubt every other state in the Union, who would come under the amateur, but who take part in other sports directly under the jurisdiction of the A. A. J., and therefore do not compete with professionals.

It seems as if the N.H.P.A. could solve the problem by establishing an amateur organization having jurisdiction over the amateurs, therefore giving them the same chance as the professionals, and thereby creating interest in the sport and helping those who are handicapped by ability and their duty to the A.A.U.

There would soon be clubs in each state, and no doubt every county would have teams playing amateur games, which would soon lead to National amateur champions.

I do hope the National Horseshoe Association at their next convention will consider the amateur horseshoe pitcher, and give him a chance in the horseshoe world.

COLBY G. BERRY,
Sec.-Treas., Cumberland Co. Amateur
Horseshoe Pitchers Association, 41
Lancaster St., Portland, Maine.

REPORT GOOD YEAR

It will be encouraging to all horseshoe pitching fans to know that the Diamond Calk Horseshoe Company of Duluth, Minn., who make a very complete line of pitching horseshoes and accessories, report an unusually successful season during the year which has just closed. They say that their factory is now running in two shifts with plenty of orders ahead, and that next season looks bigger than any previous.

It is fine to know that horseshoe pitchers don't spend all their time worrying about the depression.

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In Red Bank, Oceanport, Fair Haven, Lincroft and other centers where horseshoe pitching history has been made, ringers, leaners and other attributes of the noble game will receive undivided attention.

The SECRETARY'S PAGE

R. B. HOWARD, Secretary, London, Ohio

Individual members are beginning to come in. They are \$1 and a membership card will be mailed to you, entitling you to full privileges of the association.

If you are a member of a club that is affiliated direct, or of a club that is a part of a state organization affiliated, individual membership is not necessary, unless you want an individual card. Encourage your state organization to take out a charter. It costs only \$25.00 and it is the cheapest for members in that state in the long run.

Horseshoe equipment manufacturers report a nice business. The old year was not so bad and everything points to a good year in 1934. The manufacturers, at least most of them, have signified their willingness to cooperate with the National Association, even to the extent of some financial assistance. The association, of course, is a "feeder" for their business, educating new pitchers, securing nation-wide publicity and creating the desire for good pitching equipment. The manufacturers have come to a realization that their business depends upon the continued efforts of the National Association service and publicity bureaus, coupled with the work of the Horseshoe World.

Our friend, D. D. Cottrell, former National Secretary, is enjoying the sunshine in Florida, as usual. We trust he is having a fine winter and we know his legion of horseshoe friends join in wishing him well.

Ohio reports progress in the organization of five district organizations to be affiliated with the Buckeye State Horseshoe Pitchers Association. Dr. Alan R. Pottle, president, has called another meeting at Canton, February 11, to make plans. Loy D. Johnston, secretary of the Buckeye organization, recently renewed the National charter of that group.

A number of states will be well

enough organized this summer to take out state charters. Some states have allowed their charters to expire. Others are well organized, but have never belonged to the Association. Please remember that the National Association will recognize any reputable set of men who agree to foster the game, hold tournaments under the national rules, organize clubs throughout their state, etc., if they are willing to pay the charter dues. Some old organizations who have been "resting on their oars," believing it is the thing to do to "cash in" on everything the National has to offer, but not join the Association, may be surprised if some live-wire outfit peps things up and secures a state charter. It happened in at least one state, we know of. We told you, boys, we would speak plain words—and there they are. The National Association cannot operate on good wishes.



Among the good Kentucky horseshoe tossers are A. E. Lindenschmidt, So. Fort Mitchell, Mr. Bristow, champion of Boone county, and Bernham Roberts, champion of Bullitsville.

Joe Clayton, Morris, Ill., has an indoor clay court. He is a mighty good horseshoe pitcher.

Louis C. Clifford, of Lockport, N. Y., is ready for a big year of horseshoe pitching; he is a 365-day-a-year fan.

W. B. Yost reports that in a 100-shoe pitch for a ground record at Long Beach recently, Ted Allen made 269 points, 88 ringers and 39 doubles, missing a ringer only once, thus making a course record of 88 per cent

ringers. At one time in the game he had 14 straight doubles.

H. Davidson is secretary of the Golden Gate Horseshoe Club, San Francisco. His address is 34 Mallorca Way.

T. C. Clayberg, 3835 West Third Ave., Denver, Colo., is secretary-treasurer of the Denver Horseshoe Club. He is also treasurer of the Barnum Horseshoe club and is considered one of Denver's best slipper slammers.

Mayor V. R. Osborn, of Piqua, O., is a horseshoe pitcher and a real booster for the game. It is fine to see men of this type taking up the game.

Glenn B. Porter, 202 West Broadway, Glendale, Calif., is secretary-treasurer of the California State Horseshoe Pitchers Association. Mr. Porter is also vice president of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association.

There will be two Muni leagues in St. Louis this year, it is announced. New courts are to be built by the Board of Directors of the Athletic Council and a new league with six new sponsors will toss the irons this summer.

A study of the rules and technique of horseshoe pitching, as well as the history of the game, is being studied in the teacher training course at State College, Bowling Green, Ohio, according to Carolyn Shaw of the Physical Education Dept.

Herbert E. Hawkes, who flings the shoes on a farm not far from Bantamm, Conn., is a topnotch pitcher and is an enthusiastic devotee of the game.

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BUFFALO WINS ONE LOSES ONE

Buffalo, N. Y.—On Sunday, Jan. 7th, the Buffalo Horseshoe Pitching club went to Rochester, N. Y., and played a match game with the Rochester Horseshoe Pitching club team. This was a five-man team match, Rochester winning 13 to 12.

On Sunday, Jan. 14th, Rochester came to Buffalo for the last half of the home and home match. This was an eight-man match and Buffalo won 45 to 19.

Bob Brown of Rochester won all his games but one, dropping this game to Pete Sherwood in Buffalo. The scores:

Rochester at Rochester

Table with columns: Name, W, L, SP, P, OP, R, DR, Pct. Rows include Brown, Polmanteer, Dudley, Sane, Curtiss, and Total.

Buffalo

Table with columns: Name, W, L, SP, P, OP, R, DR, Pct. Rows include Bickerton, Sherwood, Wiley, Miller, Baker, and Total.

Buffalo at Buffalo

Table with columns: Name, W, L, SP, P, OP, R, DR, Pct. Rows include Sherwood, Miller, Hatrick, Baker, Bickerton, Absolom, Wiley, Lawton, and Totals.

Rochester

Table with columns: Name, W, L, SP, P, OP, R, DR, Pct. Rows include Brown, Polmanteer, Slack, Parchesi, Dudley, Majesky, Graves, Sane, and Total.

The Buffalo club received such a fine welcome in Rochester, and the Rochester boys showed such good sportsmanship in defeat at Buffalo that an everlasting friendship had been made between these two clubs, and no doubt monthly matches will be played during the winter months

at least. The Buffalo club will play any team a home and home match with any club within reasonable distance of Buffalo. Communicate with Buffalo Horseshoe Pitching Club, James Franklin Phillips, 344 Norfolk Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

Indoor horseshoe courts are a feature of the Elwood Berget-Hot Springs Hotel, at Wagon Wheel Gap, Colorado.

Anthony Sivillo, 556 W. 19th St., Dominick Spada, 1716 Poplar St., and Edward Pluta, 629 E. 21st St., are Erie, Pa., shoe tossers.

Wilbur Gould, 432 W. Ann Arbor

Street, Plymouth, Mich., is another one of the legion of horseshoe pitchers in that good old state of Michigan.

The indoor league is well under way in Erie, Pa., with interest at its height.

Ben H. Anderson, R. F. D. No. Tucson, Ariz., likes to see them circle the peps.

WRITES ABOUT SHOES

Following is a number of "pithy paragraphs" from the pen of Jean Eric, printed in his "The House by the Road" column in the Newark, N. J. News, many of them mentioning horseshoe pitching:

Fan Dance of the Trees
So thin, so thin,
Are the leaves, the din
Of their rustling now subsides,
And so one sees
On wayside trees
Not much but their barky hides.
I'm strong for Spring,
When the birdies sing,
And Summer has no flaw,
But give me the time
Of the earmuff's prime
And nature in the raw.

Down the Line
Monmouth has the apple crop virtually all picked, natives along the ocean front are digging in for the winter and things generally are getting back to normal. For another proof, the County Horseshoe league has been organized at Red Bank.

Frow now until the summer people come winging southward, old Monmouth will be ablaze with the furor of horseshoe pitching. For this is a great game, a sterling preventive of ennui around the fire house between aiarms.

It is like quoits, only looser. It may be harder to get a quoit around a peg, but when a quoit is there it's there. You never can tell about a horseshoe until it stops spinning.

Horseshoe pitching needs the open sky for rafters, real dirt for a pad-dock, and an audience that took up horseshoes when it put down the bottle.

A lot more boys would leave the old farm for the big city except for this king of games. You can do practically everything in the city you can do in the country, but pitching horseshoes needs elbow room.

Already the first bout of the league schedule is history, but 27 still are to be played. Practically no excitement is left over for the Asbury Park election.

There may be horseshoe rings for all we know, but no roof is high enough when a game gets good and hot. Chucking nag slippers indoors would be like fishing for croakers in Odd Fellows' Hall or digging clams in a bowling alley. It wouldn't be the same. Especially, the fish and the clams wouldn't be the same.

A horseshoe heaver's wife is first cousin to the golf and bowling widows. Because when the true bug is not pitching he is holding a post mortem over the last game or a pre-mortem over the next one.

And, of course, these are no common horseshoes that are used. An infatuated pitcher has his personal horseshoes which he carries around in a chamois bag like a birthday watch.

There ought to be a national league for hurling half soles for horses. Let the people of the country spend their time pitching horseshoes and they'll do less thinking about

other people's troubles. There is no happier man than one with a horseshoe in his hand, if it has no horse attached to it.

Pitching horseshoes requires more concentration than threading a needle with no eye in it. If you don't think it takes more skill than playing the "Moonlight Sonata" on a piano with one hand and "Rhapsodie in Blue" on a slide trombone with the other, just try it.

In fact, the dust isn't expected to be fully settled until the renters start looking for summer cottages.
Jean Eric.

MUSICAL TEAM

A musical horseshoe team has been formed at Troy, Ohio. These lads, all horseshoe tossers, make splendid music and have been playing at horseshoe match games, etc They are piloted by Roy Wesco, 624 Scott street, Troy, Ohio.

THE COVER PAGE

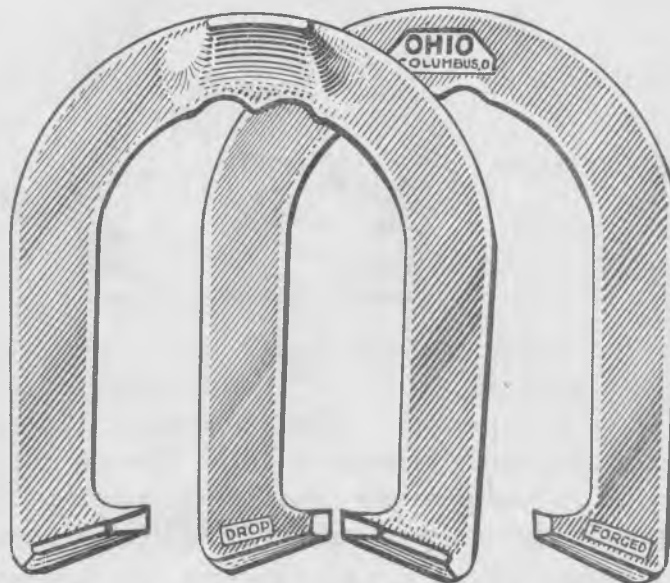
One of Ohio's fine clubs and fine courts accounts for the horseshoe interest in Canton, O. The cover picture shows: Back row (left to right), J. Stinscomb, H. Stinscomb, Paul Wise, B. Haines, W. J. Smith; front row, on left, F. J. Robinson; on right, Johnnie Sebeck.

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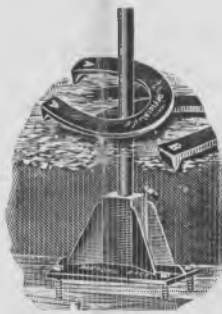
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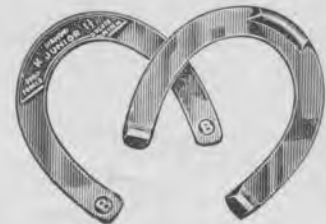
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