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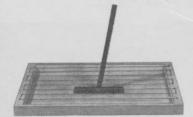
DIXON PORTABLE HORSESHOE COURTS

2616 49th Street Des Moines, Iowa

Dixon Portable Horseshoe Courts (Patent Pending) are now available. I have received many inquiries on these courts, but have not been able to present them at a price I felt would be attractive. I have been able to purchase the rubber pads in large quantities and can pass the savings on to you. The new nylon suspension system has eliminated some cost and improves the efficiency of the rubber pad greatly. The life of these pads should be at least ten years and are guaranteed for two years.

I have eliminated painting to keep the price down, so you will have to paint them to suit your own taste.

Each end of the court is boxed separately and weighs approximately 38 pounds - 76 pounds for the complete court. They are available in 2" and 4" heights, and a conversion that can be used to set over your present clay court. The same pad is used on all styles and is interchangeable, which means that it can be used on clay and boxed in the portable for mobility.



Court Without Rubber Pad



Complete Court Ready For Use

The 4" portable will give you maximum performance and can be converted to any desired height by ripping off the top side.

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The convertible will be as effective as the 2" portable, but the rigid stake will not hold the ringers nearly as well.

Either of the portables are easily stored in the trunk of your car, and can be set up ready to go in 5 minutes in your yard, on your drive, at the park, on the beach, at the lake while you are waiting for the fish to bite, in your basement (if you have enough room), in the barn (if you are on the farm), in gymnasiums at school, or anyplace where there is enough room.

I qualified on these courts at the state tournament at the **lowa State Fair** and threw **84 ringers in 100 shoes and never lost a ringer.** Practically every pitcher in the tournament tried them and admitted they were better than clay courts.

I hope these courts will make you a better horseshoe pitcher and I will guarantee the ringers you throw will stay there. Every shoe will feel the same every time you pitch it. No mud - no dirt - no maintenance - no more, "barnyard golf."

Dale E. Dixon

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Arnold Christianson New South Dakota Champ

In spite of bad weather that "plagued" the 1964 South Dakota state tournament, Arnold Chrisianson won seven while dropping one to win the state title for the season of 1964.

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CLASS G			CLASS H		
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Thank You Sincerely.

It is very heart-warming to me to have been the recipient of so many beautiful Christmas cards from members throughout the country, extending to me their best wishes. I am very grateful to each and everyone of you and wish for each of you the very best that life can give to you throughout the coming year.

It is my hope that as time goes on I may have the pleasure of greeting more and more of you as I endeavor to visit and participate in the various tournaments around the country.

> F. Ellis Cobb. Editor

Valley of the Sun Open Tournament Set for February 20-21

The 1965 Valley of the Sun Open will be held in Rendezvous Park in Mesa, Arizona. The Class "B" will start on Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 20 and 21, beginning at 12:30 p.m. It will be for pitchers with averages under 55% and will be made up of two ten-men groups, with the top two meeting in a fourman round robin. The winner will receive \$25.00; runnerup \$15.00, 3rd place

man round robin. The winner will receive \$25.00; runnerup \$15.00, 3rd place \$10.00; and 4th place \$5.00. The entry fee will be \$3.00.

Class "A" will be played on Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 27 and 28 beginning at 12:30 p.m. This will be for pitchers holding over a 55% average and will be a 16-man round robin affair. The winner will receive \$100.00; runnerup \$50.00; 3rd place \$25.00; and 4th place \$15.00. The entry fee is \$5.00.

The deadline for entries is Wednesday Feb. 10. If you fail to qualify you will be notified and your entry fee returned to you by Feb. 15. A 1965 NHPA card will be required. Please send your 1964 percentage and entry fee to: W. B. Stearns, 332 W. 9th Street, Mesa, Arizona, 85201. Telephone 964-6887.

Hagerman Winner of Northern Calif. Class B Championship

John Hagerman of Santa Rosa won the 1964 Northern Class B Championship held at Los Gatos on October 11. John averaged 61.4 per cent in the seven games he played. Fred Lavett of Seaside was second and Richard Page of Santa Rosa finished third.

The tournament was played in three 6-man round robins with the winner of each group advancing to the finals. Unfortunately the pairings turned out to be uneven and the winner of group 3 went undefeated with a 48.6 percentage while the fourth man in group 1 had a 53.1 percentage. Verdan Zelmar of Los Gatos tied Hagerman with 4 wins and 1 loss but John had 63.4% to

Verdan's 59.1%.

Bud Tryon placed fifth, Lampkin eighth, Sanitate ninth, Holt 14th and

Garcia 18th.

COVER PICTURE.... As we begin a brand new year, we have chosen as the one to "ring in the New Year" none other than little Penny Sue Craig, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Craig of Muncie, Indiana. Her daddy is the NHPA president while her proud mommy handles sports and T-shirt orders and other details pertinent to the running of the NHPA. Penny Sue accompanies her parents on many of their horseshoe tournament trips.

Claude Benedict To Publish New Book

A new book, authored by Claude A. Benedict of Johnstown, Ohio will soon

be available, perhaps during January, 1965.

The book "The Runaway Redhead" is a warm, touching life story of a man who left home in his teens, and overcame great odds to establish himself as a solid and useful citizen. Although he was orphaned at the age of ten, thru the years he moved up the ladder of business and social life through a series of many jobs, and has never been without a cheerful and optimistic outlook.

Mosswood Club (California) Holds Christmas Party

Members of the Mosswood club of Oakland, California enjoyed their annual Christmas party in December. Cal Childress and Stan MacCarty were in charge of the party details. This is one of the activities that makes for closer ties and brings club members closer together that they might become better acquainted.

The party was held in a downtown Oakland restaurant. After a delicious

steak dinner, club members enjoyed dancing and entertainment.

G. Seuss Victor In Southwestern Minnesota Tournament

Another delayed report, shows George Seuss of North Mankato, Minnesota as the winner in the Southwestern Minnesota tournament sponsored by the Rapidan club and held in Rapidan, Minnesota. There were four classes with a total of 33 pitchers participating. Arnold Erickson is the president.

CLASS A				
W	L	R	SP	%
George Seuss, N. Mankato 6		295	426	69.2
A. Anderson, Westbrook 4	2	239	400	59.7
G. Sogge, Storden 3	3	242	392	61.7
D. Olson, Storden 0) 5	217	364	59.6
E. Peterson, Storden 2	3	190	314	60.5
A. Erickson, Rapidan 1	4	127	270	47.3
CLASS B	, ,	n	CD	67
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W. Zieke, Nicollet	2 3	261	554	47.1
B. Bate, Rapidan) 5	261 278	588	44.4
W. Nonnemacker, Wabasso 6		261	626	44.4 47.1
A. Peters, Westbrook		270	554 598	45.1
A. Mieschke, Westbrook			586	44.3
A. Mielke, N. Mankato		228	568	40.1
		257	614	41.8
E. Wagner, East Chain		208	550	37.8
W. Wellman, Hanska 0	1100	155	502	30.8

Southwestern Minn. — (Continued)

CLASS C					
	W	L	R	SP	%
E. Paar, Mt. Lake	9	0	241	496	48.5
W. Hackbarth, Nicollet	7	2	229	534	42.8
H. Rachey, Westbrook	7	2	217	554	39.1
P. Mann, Rapidan		4	246	586	41.9
A. Schuemamemann, N. Mankato	3	6	222	578	38.4
F. Paar, Mt. Lake	4	5	189	538	35.1
E. Berg, Belview	3	6	221	588	35.8
F. Schuck, Nicollet	4.	5	219	544	40.2
S. Martins Mt. Lake	1	8	195	568	34.3
M. Hale, Mt. Lake	2	7	160	520	30.7

Jim Hart Winner of Southern Illinois Tournament

In a delayed report to the News Digest, Floyd Hammitt of Pleasant Hill, Illinois, states that a very successful "all trophy" tournament was held at King park in Pittsfield, Illinois in the late fall. Twenty-four beautiful trophies were awarded to players taking part. All pitchers made a strong bid to try and be the winner in the respective classes. Following are the standings:

CLASS A — J. Hart. first; C. Rhodes, second; J. Garners, third; L. Pond, fourth: J. Hightower, fifth and F. Hammitt, sixth.

CLASS B — K. Irwin, first; C. Hess, second; S. Logsdon, third; P. Steinbacker, fourth; I. Eilers, fifth and B. Blackstone, sixth.

CLASS C — L. Lymen, first; G. Wear, second; R. Rogers, third; G. Weber, fourth; E. Biddle, fifth; and D. Baldes, sixth.

CLASS D — F. Hart, first; P. Conner, second; J. Garner, third; R. Likes, fourth; R. Humke, fifth; and B. Blackstone, Jr., sixth.

Baldwin Park — Southern California Class "B" Championship

W	L	R	SP	%
Gunnar Hansen, Baldwin Park 9	0	332	566	58.7
Harry Morse, Beaumont 7	2	325	598	54.3
George Hughey, Baldwin Park 6	3	328	586	57.0
Gerald Baird, Garden Grove 6	3	342	660	51.8
Sam Faulkner, Fullerton 5	4	290	542	53.5
Wally Shipley, W. Covina 4	5	282	582	48.5
Don Shubert, Los Angeles 3	6	342	620	55.2
Clem Birkenbach, Baldwin Park 3	6	289	620	47.7
Lum Francis, La Habra 2	7	201	508	39.6
Fred Pearcy, La Habra 0	9	297	637	46.7

Fullerton — Southern California Class "A" Championship

W	L	R	SP	%
6	1	295	474	62.3
5	2	280	446	62.8
	3	273	448	60.9
	3	289	476	60.7
	3	280	476	58.8
	3	281	492	57.1
		219	422	51.9
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Province Of Quebec, Canada — 1964 Activity Results

The Province of Quebec singles Championship Tournament was held at St. Michel, Montreal, on July 25, 1964. Mr. Constant Cote from Drummond-ville, P.Q., the 1963 champion was successful in defending his title with a 10 win—1 loss record and a 60% ringer average. Mr. J. Poirier, Sorel was third, both with 8-3 records with J. Geoffreon winning the playoff game.

The Province of Quebec doubles Championship Tournament was held at St. Hyacinthe, on September 6, 1964. Mr. J. Poirier, Sorel and Mr. L. Chenier, Hull, were the winners with Mr. J. L. Donats, St. Hyacinthe and Partner from Hull second and Mr. R. Gaudreau, St. Michel and Mr. J. Geoffreon, Montreal, third.

Tournaments were held at Brownsburg, on July 5, 1964 with Mr. A. Gaudreau, St. Michel, and Mr. Lucien Lambert, Montreal, the winners; at Hull, P.Q. on September 13, 1964 with an Ottawa team the winners of "A" Event and Mr. A. Gaudreau, St. Michel, and Mr. J. Geoffreon, Montreal, the winners of "B" Event; at Pointe Aux Trembles, on September 20, 1964 with Mr. A. Gaudreau, St. Michel winning the singles event and Mr. J. Poirier, Sorel, and Mr. R. Gandreon, Sorel, the winners of the doubles event; at Cap-de-la-Madeleine and Three Rivers on August 30, 1964 with Mr. A. Geoffreon, Montreal, and Mr. R. Gaudreau, St. Michel the winners; at Sorel, on September 27, 1964 with Mr. J. Poirier, Sorel and Mr. Gandreon, Sorel, the winners.

Mr. Leonard McGee, 905 St. Onge Street, St. Joseph of Ste. Hyacinthe, P. Q., Canada, was re-elected President of the Quebec Association for the 1965 season.

Details of the 1965 activities will be determined at a general meeting to be held in May 1965.

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Crooks Wins Second Annual Bremen, Ohio Open

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CLASS AA W L %	CLASS A W L %
L. Crooks. Cumberland 7 0 71.1 P. Johnson, Cincinnati 5 2 74.7 H. Wolfe, Cedarville 4 3 61.1 M. Gardner, Urbana 3 4 69.2 G. Roberts, Lucasville 3 4 62.8 S. Manker, Martinsville 3 4 62.6 J. Knisley. Bremen 3 4 61.8 F. Raisbeck, Zanesville 0 7 55.5	J. Leach, Columbus 6 1 70.0 C. Johnson, Lyndon 5 2 60.2 C. Young, Columbus 4 3 61.5 R. Miller, Springfield 4 3 60.0 L. Lenigar, Union Furnace 3 4 64.1 J. Nicholl, Grove City 3 4 62.0 J. Lowe, Chillicothe 2 5 54.9 B. Jones, Circleville 1 6 46.9
CLASS B W L %	CLASS C W L %
K. Dawes. Good Hope	H. Roshon, Baltimore 6 1 52.1 L. Rose, Columbus 6 1 47.7 L. Mathews, Columbus 5 2 50.1 R. Foltz, Bremen 4 3 46.1 F. Park, Columbus 3 4 45.4 B. O'Brien, Junction City 2 5 43.7 F. Kiger, Lancaster 2 5 39.1 O. Reno, Lucasville Forfeit
CLASS D	CLASS E
C. Hannah, Columbus 6 1 J. Wilks, Circleville 5 2 P. Rhymer, Stoutsville 5 2 W. Race, Circleville 5 2 P. Beach, Junction City 4 3 L. Peary, Bradenton, Fla. Forfeit M. Cox, Lancaster Forfeit F. Grubb, Rushville Forfeit	J. Rhymer, Stoutsville 6 1 M. Thomas, Bremen 6 1 L. Kunkler, Bremen 5 2 L. Freisner, Bremen 4 3 E. Brown, Waverly 3 4 R. Jennings, Waverly 2 5 C. Brown, Pennsville 2 5 K. Cottrill, Bremen 0 7
CLASS F W L	CLASS G W L
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Pomona — Southern California Class "E" Championship

	W	L	R	SP	%
Harold Carden, Baldwin Park	8	1	255	502	50.7
Doug Martindale, Anaheim		2	208	528	39.3
Larry Ford, San Diego		2	211	546	38.6
Larry Hahn, Covina	6	3	214	536	39.9
Ross Faulkner, Huntington Park		4	205	526	38.9
Ray Faulkner, Fullerton		5	201	572	35.1
Henry Thompson, San Gabriel		6	201	524	38.2
Milton Corbett, Covina		6	190	608	31.2
John Charlie, Los Angeles	. 1	8	151	482	31.3
Ben Hubbard, Duarte		8	121	516	23.4

Paxton, Iowa Sharpie, Clips 6 To Win Afton, Iowa Open

John Paxton, that Iowa Hawkeye sharpshooter, who always seems to have an abundant supply of ringers on hand at all times, topped the Class A field, to carry away the trophy as the winner in the annual Afton, Iowa Open tournament this past season. David Ricker of Afton won the Junior Boys crown in the play-off matches.

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CLASS A			
	W	L	%
John Paxton, Ottumwa, Iowa, Trophy		1	68.5
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Dale Dixon, Des Moines, Iowa, Trophy Lilliard Pinion, Stewartsville, Mo.	0	3	
Lilliard Pinion, Stewartsville, Mo	9		68.5
Charles Kilgore, Stewartsville, Mo	4	3	58.6
Ray Cavin, St. Joseph, Mo	4	3	68.2
Marvin Woollums, Mt. Avr. Ia.	2	5	57.6
Ernie Danielson, Burlington, Ia	1	6	59.1
Leo O'Brien, Easton, Mo.	1	6	56.5
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CLASS B			
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Art Reed, Creston, Iowa, Trophy			6 1
Bernard Ricker, Afton, Ia., Trophy			6 2
Kink Custard, Omaha, Nebraska			5 3
John Weakland, Woodburn, Iowa			
Cool Down the Dow Moines To			3 4
Carl Bennett, Des Moines, Ia.			2 5
Wilbur Gay, St. Joseph, Mo.			2 5
Al Burgess, Marshalltown, Ia.			2 5
Leo Hamand, Peru, Ia.			1 6
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CLASS C	XX7	т	67
	W	L	%
Charley Hopkins, Ottumwa, Ia., Trophy	5	1	56.6
Guy Spitler, Adair, Ia., Trophy	4	2	63.5
Royce Gale, Des Moines, Ia.	3	2	55.6
Joe Foster, Omaha, Nebraska	2	3	51.9
Charles Cook, Corydon, Ia.	1	4	48.1
Clair Woollums, Mt. Ayr, Ia.	î	4	45.5
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Vern Nordgren, Omaha, Nebraska, Trophy	5	0	52.6
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Twin County Club (Orange, Mass.) Hold Annual Banquet

The Twin County League in Orange, Massachusetts held its annual banquet at the Tullybrook Inn with 91 members in attendance. Following a delicious roast beef dinner, awards were made, after which the members en-

joyed dancing.

Trophies were awarded to the following, Don Kaddy, high percentage for the season; Dick Hastings, high single game percentage; Mel Merritt for Frank's Cafe, high match game percentage; Fritz Klockar and B. Barnes were tied for high percentage in Class B. Also in Class B, Guy Thrasher had the high single game percentage; High match game percentage in Class B went to Joe Zelanowicy for the Simples team. Class C awards in the various brackets went to Charles Richardson and R. Jepson both of whom were tied for high percentage; A. Sokolowski had high single game percentage; High match game went to Dick Fitzmaurice. Sparky Lane awarded a trophy to the winning St. Joseph's club of Fitchburg.

Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: Bedford Kaddy, president; Joe Robicaud, vice-president; Percy Howe, secretary and Amos

Whitaker, treasurer.

The doubles league had 105 entered and 12 teams participating. League members who pitched outside of the league gave a good account of themselves

during the season.

The St. Joseph club won the east division while in the west division, the Shelburne Falls club won the first half with the Orange Peels taking the second half. In the deciding match for the west division championship the Orange Peels gained a slim victory by winning 13 to 12. In the match for the league championship, the St. Joseph club set a terrific pace with one of their men turning in games of 76.9, 63.9, 63.1 and 79.2 percent in ringers to claim the championship with 16 wins against 8 wins for the Orange Peels.

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Idaho Has New State Champ

Idaho has a new state champ for the first time since the state association

was organized in 1952.

Dean Curry of Lewiston, an up and coming new club in the NHPA, is the new champion, having edged out A. E. Boynton of Emmett and Les Reighard

of Boise for the title.

E. J. Wiley of Nampa who had won the title every year since 1952 suffered an accident resulting in the loss of three fingers and part of a fourth finger and the thumb on his pitching hand. Even so he played in the state tournament and did a remarkable job with such a serious handicap.

Jim Kosterman of Boise who has served as Secretary-Treasurer for Idaho since 1952 has moved to Vancouver, Wash. He was presented with a plaque

in appreciation for his services during this year's State tournament.

The new Idaho Secretary is M. G. Stroud, 2210 S. Latah, Boise. Other officers are President Les Reighard of Boise and Vice President Charles Workman of Lewiston.

Class "A" — 1. Dean Curry, Lewiston; 2. A. E. Boynton, Emmett; 3. Les Reighard, Boise.

Class "B" - 1. Bill Dannhauer, Mt. Home; 2. Mike Stroud, Boise; 3. Walt Hastings, Lewiston.

Class "C" - 1. Harold Holste, Emmett; 2. Floyd Fletcher, Boise; 3. Chet McConnell, Nampa.

Class "D" - 1. Clint Gregory, Boise; 2. Dan Birks, Lewiston; 3. Dave McLenna, Boise.

South Gate — Southern California Class "AA" Championship

	W	L	R	SP	%
Jim Weeks, Norwalk	8	1	431	588	73.3
Gerald Schneider, Bell	7	2	478	640	74.6
John Snyder, Chula Vista	6	3	470	680	69.1
Ralph Randall, Barstow		3	417	626	66.6
Frank Esperanza, Oxnard	5	4	351	560	62.6
Ronnie Simmons, Norwalk	4	5	391	622	62.8
George Hughey, Baldwin Park	3	6	355	598	59.3
Edgar Gruell, İnglewood	3	6	327	554	59.2
John Walker, Chula Vista		7	343	596	57.5
Don Shubert, Los Angeles		8	337	600	56.1

Putt Mossman, Fully Recovered, Following Accident

Putt Mossman, the stunt man and former world champion horseshoe pitcher, is now out of the hospital and is staging his shows again.

After a five-week convalescence following a freak auto accident he is back dynamiting a house occupied by him, hell-driving with motorcycle and automobile, climbing a ladder on a motorcycle and other stunts.

Waldo Hagy Making Plans For Las Vegas, Nevada Tournaments

Waldo Hagy of Las Vegas, Nevada is in the process of planning five Class C tournaments to be held in Las Vegas on dates to be announced later. These are to be for players under 35 percent in ringer percentage. He is also planning two Class B meets for those averaging under 50 percent in ringer percentage, and one Class A event. Except for the Nevada state meet, all above meets will be 6-man round robins.

In the Centennial Open meet, which turned out to be a 3-man match between C. Cummins of Orcutt, California, Waldo Hagy of Las Vegas and W. S. Rash of Las Vegas, Cummins was the winner with 2 wins and no losses and averaging 61.5 for ringer percentage. Hagy was second with 1 and 1 and 50 percent in ringers. Rash was low with 2 losses and 32 percent in ringers.

Los Gatos Club Defeats Mosswood in Team Competition

With the addition of Jesse Gonzales in the lineup and a really solid "B" group, Los Gatos came through to win the "A" division 9 to 7 and the "B"

division 12 to 4.

Highlights of the meet were the high percentages pitched by the "A" group. Connie Henderson had a 71.1% average, Gonzales 69.6% Mac Carty 67.4% and Zelmar 55.3%. Turning point in the match was Stan Mac Carty's victory over Bill Blexrude. Stan pitched 74 ringers out of 96 shoes for 77.0% while Blexrude pitched 75.0%. Stan had nine straight doubles in the early stages of the game to sail to a 25 to 1 lead and then had to withstand Bill's finishing kick to win 51 to 45. There were 17 four-deads.

Another important victory was Verdan Zelmar's recovery from a 49-34 deficit to defeat Earl Davis 50-49. In another one Connie Henderson threw 74.4% against Blexrude but lost as Bill threw 77.7%. Mac Carty, Gonzales, Blexrude and Anderson all won 3 and lost 1. Earl Davis of Mosswood was really shaking his head as he pitched one of his best efforts ever (59.3% average) but didn't win a game.

In the "B" division, Willard Lampkin and Joe Sadowski came through without a loss. Willard had a 47.6% average while Joe had 45.4. Boyd Walker, 3-1, 47.9%; Mike Sanitate, 2-2, 44.6%, and Kim Ludlow, 1-1, 40.1%, rounded out the group.

Mosswood's A players were Blexrude, Anderson, Hopkins and Davis. B players were E. Saunders. Baer, Saathoff, Forsman, Bourland, Hale, E. Saunders and Morris.

Everyone concerned seemed to be pleased with this type of division play. The Los Gatos Club, with Stan Mac-Carty acting as chairman, will attempt to obtain approval of the Northern Association to set up league play in 1965 along the same lines, with 4-man teams in three divisions.



Muirhead Topples Bettis To Win Tulsa, Okla. City Title

Bill Muirheid took Class A honors and dethroned Willis Bettis for the City of Tulsa, Oklahoma Championship. Al Belden took second place in a 3-way

playoff.

Bob Belden won Class B in a playoff with John Griffith. Each won 3 and lost 1 with Belden defeating Griffith in the playoff. Terry Payne took top honors in Class C, winning 5 games and losing 0. Dick Honn won 2nd and Casey Honn 3rd. The Ladies held their first tournament in which Helen Belden won 1st place and Mrs. Bill Muirheid 2nd.

CLASS A		CLASS B
W	L	W L
Bill Muirheid 3	0	Bob Belden 3 1
Al Belden 1	2 2	John Griffith 3 1
Roger Griffith 1	2	K. Honn 2 2
Willis Bettis 1	2	Bill Coatney 2 2
		Bill Blair 0 4
CLASS C		LADIES
W	L	W L
Terry Payne 5	0	Helen Belden 4 0
Dick Honn 4	1	Mrs. Muirheid 3 1
Casey Honn 3	2 3	Linda Vaughn 2 2
Ray Shelton 2	3	Irene Belden 1 3
Jack Honn 1	4	M. Bettis 0 4
Jim Bettis 0	5	

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Peekskill Team Winner Of Westchester, N. Y. League Title

In the Class A division of the Westchester, N. Y. League, the Peekskill team went through the season with a clean record of 12 wins and no losses. In the play-off game for 2nd position New Rochelle came out on top. There were 64 participants.

Final Team Star	idings
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	W	L
Peekskill1	2	0
New Rochelle	9	3
Montrose	9	3
Port Chester	5	7
Yonkers	4	8
Elmsford	3	9
Harrison	0	12

Individual Standings

W	L	%	W	L	%
Conklin, Peekskill25	3	54.1	Piekarski, Yonkers 8	12	33.9
Schrott, Peekskill24	5	52.5	Gauvam, Harrison 8	12	33.1
Lockwood, Montrose22	6	50.9	O'Dell, Harrison 7	19	27.4
Carbone, Peekskill22	3	49.3	Spicer, Harrison 2	22	17.2
Pasek, Elmsford26	7	49.1	Torrigan, Yonkers 4	2 5	46.0
Sharkey, N. Rochelle 15	10	46.8	Leonard, Yonkers 8	5	45.0
Cerretani, Pt. Chstr. 25	10	46.2	Ryan, Peekskill 6	6	38.0
Lockwood, Montrose16	9	43.6	Blomquist, Pt. Chstr. 4	12	37.0
Belire, N. Rochelle15	12	39.4	Roberts, Yonkers 2	11	32.0
Gibson, Yonkers 9	11	38.8	Vitella, Harrison 5	9	31.0
Tuttle, Montrose15	10	38.2	Piekarski, Yonkers 4	9	31.0
G. Vonder Lancken,			Belizzi, N. Rochelle 3	3	30.0
Elmsford12	21	37.6	Hammer, Harrison 1	4	28.0
Wagner, Pt. Chester 10	20	36.9	Hamborsky, Elmsford 2	11	26.0
Cerratta, N. Rochelle 13	12	36.6	Duelk, Elmsford 2	4	25.0
Bleakley, Montrose13	11	35.2	Vasinsak, Elmsford 5	11	25.0

Bel Air Bay Club (Calif.) Stages Meet For Members

In a story appearing in a recent issue of "Bel Air Bay Splashes" a complete rundown of the club's annual horseshoe tournament was given. It was preceded by a brief introduction as to the original beginning of the game of horseshoes. With that background of knowledge, the members were better able to appreciate the results of the club tournament.

This efficient operation was handled by "Big Shoe" Donahue and his committee of able shoemen, before a packed gallery of enthusiastic rooters.

CLASS A SINGLES — Winner: Dan Donahue; Finalist, Gene Henry. CLASS B SINGLES — Winner: Chuck Ehrhorn; Finalist: Fred Tourtelot. Handicap Doubles Winners: Bart Thompson and Chuck Ehrhorn; Finalists: Gene Henry and Bart Evans.

The semifinals competition was terrific. "Hizzoner" Steve Fargo lost by 4 points and "Doc" Witherbee by .04 of a point, which is drawing a pretty fine line. Chuck Ehrhorn modestly stated that the credit for his being voted the "Rookie of the Year" should go to his better half for setting it out in the gallery. Two new plastic scoreboards were presented to the club by Bart Thompson.

A dinner party staged by the committee preceded the awards and gave the winners an opportunity to sign autographs and for the losers to explain their downfall. All in all it was a fun-filled evening enjoyed to the fullest by all the members.

Giddes Play-off Victor In Middlesex, N. J. Club Meet

The Middlesex, N. J. club completed its 1964 season with a closed tournament for its members. Jack Giddes beat Ron Vogel, former Illinois pitcher, in the play-off for the championship, 50-33. Vogel defeated Giddles in the regular round robin. Lee Marshall was high qualifier for the tournament.

CLASS A		CLASS B		
W	L		W	L
Jack Giddes 4	1	Vince Yannetti	5	0
Ron Vogel 4	1	Tom Czado	4	1
Ben Oliver 3	2	Ken Lant	2	3
Lee Marshall 2	3	Bob Kellerman	2	3
Dale Eberhart 1	4	Harry Hendrickson	1	4
Joe Payvis 1	4	Don Henry	1	4

Henton Winner Of Stone City, Iowa Tournament

Sixty pitchers from 20 cities attended and played for the Stone City, Iowa tournament which was won by Iowa's state champion, Glen Henton. Henton was also high qualifier with 127 points out of 50 shoes. Della Matheny won the Ladies tournament while Gary Wilhelm of Cedar Rapids took the honors in the Junior division. Nancy Henton and her father Glen Henton put on an exhibition during the meet.

CLASS A CLASS B		CLASS B	
W	L	W	L
Henton, Maquoketa 5	0	Hafner, Letts 4	1
F. Rogers, Cedar Falls 4	1	Barker, Cedar Rapids 3	2
F. Rogers, Waverly 2	3	Darnold, Burlington 3	2
Danielson, Burlington 2	3	Blake, Letts 3	2
Hughes, Cedar Rapids 1	4	Bock, Fairfield 1	4
H. Shaw, Fairfield 1	4	Jackson, Burlington 1	4
CLASS C		CLASS D	
W	L	W	L
Cain, King City, Mo 5	0	Andrews Conton Transfirm E	0
	U	Andrews, Center Junction 5	
	2	Abernathy, Lisbon 3	2
Newman, Toddville 3	2 3	Abernathy, Lisbon 3	2 2
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