

*The Horseshoe Pitcher's*

# News Digest

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## Joe Schilling Memorial Open May 28 & 29

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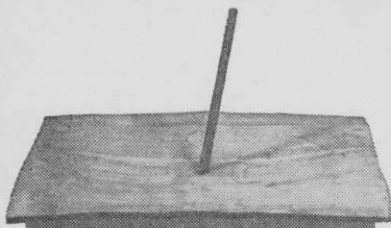
Mail entries accompanied by \$3.00 entry fee to Earle Wilmore, 1350 Dearborn Street, Gary, Indiana before Saturday, May 21st. NHPA membership card required. These will be available at the tournament.

## Annual Greenville Open Set for June 3-4-5

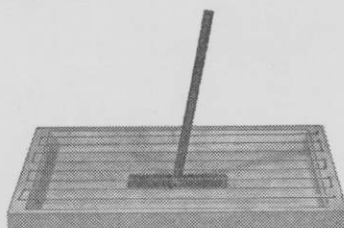
The annual Greenville, Ohio Open tournament will be held at the City Park, Greenville, Ohio courts on June 3, 4 & 5. Entry fee will be \$5.00 with qualifying from 6 to 9 p. m. on Friday, June 3, and from 9 a. m. to noon on Saturday, June 4. All entrants must be registered before noon on Saturday. Lower classes will pitch on Saturday afternoon and evening and the higher classes on Sunday, June 5th. This tournament will be sponsored and conducted by the Darke County Horseshoe Club.

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## 1967 World Tournament Drive, Underway At Fargo, North Dakota

A drive is under way in Fargo, North Dakota, to land the 1967 world horseshoe pitching tournament at the city's classy, Oak Grove Park courts.

Preliminary plans are under way through the cooperation of the Fargo Park District and the Chamber of Commerce, according to Will Gullickson, National Horseshoe Pitchers Association north central states regional director.

Will Gullickson, a sports writer for the Fargo Forum, said the Red River Valley League is leading an active campaign in getting the tournament to North Dakota for the first time.

Meanwhile, the annual Red River Valley Open tournament is planned at Fargo, July 2 and 3. One of the largest open tourneys in the area, the RRV has annually drawn the leading players from a wide area.

Frank Stinson of Minneapolis, Minnesota, is the defending champion in the Class A division.

Horseshoe interest has zoomed in the Fargo and Red River Valley area in recent years. The 12-court lighted layout at Oak Grove is considered one of the best in the upper midwest. Space is available for six additional courts to be built.

Gullickson has been in contact with NHPA officials Robert Pence and Harold Craig in regards to the world tourney. The possibility of Fargo as a tourney site was sparked by Ellis Cobb, editor of the Horseshoe Pitchers' News Digest, who played in the Red River Valley tourney last year.

Fargoans are hopeful of strong support from the city as well as neighboring Moorhead, Minn., across the Red River, along with horseshoe clubs throughout North Dakota, South Dakota and Minnesota.

Fargo, the largest city in North Dakota, and Moorhead have a combined population of more than 80,000. A recent All-America city, Fargo boasts excellent hotel and motel accommodations as well as excellent airline, train and bus service.

Fargo-Moorhead has always been known as sports-minded and once was one of the leading minor league baseball cities. It is known for golf and softball as well as horseshoe pitching.

The cities are served by The Forum daily and Sunday newspaper (Circulation 60,000), three television stations and five radio stations.

Fargo is located only 45 miles from Detroit Lakes, one of the most popular resort and fishing areas in Minnesota.

The 36-acre layout at Oak Grove Park includes a shelter which seats 250 along with restrooms. Playground facilities, tennis courts and ample parking are also included in the park along with picnic tables.

Fargo has two swimming pools and other parks and recreation areas. Fargo-Moorhead has six movie theatres, including two outdoor theaters.

The Fargo Park District has always held an active interest in the sport of horseshoe. C. P. Reed is the superintendent. It was estimated that more than 10,000 used the horseshoe courts last year.

## Annual Sterling-Rock Fall, III. Spring Warm-Up, May 30

The Sterling-Rock Falls, Illinois club will open its season with their annual Spring Warm-Up Open tournament on Memorial Day, May 30 on the Lawrence park courts, midway between Sterling and Rock Falls, Illinois, on the beautiful Rock river.

Qualifying will begin at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 29 until 8 p.m. and will resume at 8 a.m. on Monday, May 30 closing promptly at 12 noon, central daylight savings time. Each contestant will pitch 100 shoes for placement, or a previous qualifying score, signed by some club officer may be brought along. Tournament will start at 1 p.m.

The 32 highest qualifiers will make up the tournament. Class A and B will be made up of 12 men each, being divided into groups of six. The winner of each group in these classes will play for first place trophy, with the runner-up in each of these top 2 groups, playing for third place trophy. Class C will have 8 men playing a round robin.

There will be a total of 8 trophies awarded, but there will not be any cash prizes. Three trophies in Class A and Class B, with 2 trophies being awarded in Class C.

Entry fee will be \$1.00 with an additional fee of \$1.00 for those in the top 32. Don Grove is president of the club and extends a cordial invitation to all to attend. The tournament will be managed by Les Long assisted by Mrs. Wilma Long and Mrs. Mary Wuebben, as the official scorers.

## Rademacher In Clean Sweep Of Plant City Warm-Up

John Rademacher of Plant City, Florida made a clean sweep of all opponents in the Plant City, Florida Spring Warm-Up tournament held at the Sansone park courts in Plant City, on April 24. Sixteen players took part, including 4 juniors. The men played 6-man round robins. Carl Lundgren of Michigan copped the second division crown.

All four juniors were from Plant City. Wayne Warner, state junior champion defeated Gary Gatliff in a play-off match. Johnny Rademacher was third and Steve Warner came in on the end.

This tournament was conducted as an experiment, with the winner of points in one inning, having last pitch in the following inning. All concerned were of the opinion that this system could bear investigation. There seemed to be a better equalization of having to pitch on iron on the man pitching second. It was suggested that a better experiment could be worked with a larger or some major tournament where more pitchers would be involved.

CLASS A				CLASS B			
	W	L	%		W	L	%
J. Rademacher, Fla. ....	5	0	62.5	C. Lundgren, Mich. ....	5	0	36.3
W. Keegan, Fla. ....	4	1	60.9	J. Kelly, Fla. ....	4	1	31.5
J. Thonert, Fla. ....	2	3	42.1	B. Mulhern, Fla. ....	2	3	31.3
S. Brozovich, Mich. ....	2	3	41.8	H. Hookway, Fla. ....	2	3	25.1
H. Kemp, Fla. ....	1	4	36.3	D. Carley, Fla. ....	1	4	17.7
P. Callahan, Fla. ....	1	4	34.8	D. Toney, Fla. ....	1	4	13.8

## Tulsa, Okla. Club to Stage "Oil Capitol Open"

The Tulsa Horseshoe Club announces "The Oil Capitol Open" to be held in Tulsa, Oklahoma at Central Park, 6th and Peoria, May 28 and 29 with 3 classes — A, B, and C.

Class C will start pitching Saturday at 9 AM; Class B will start at 1:30 PM; and Class A, Sunday at 1 PM.

This will be a sanctioned tournament. Entry fee of \$2.00 and qualifying score or last year's tournament record must be sent by May 21 to Tournament Director Willis Bettis, 16 North 35th West Avenue, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74127.

## Northern California Association Conducts Series of "No Qualifying" Tournaments

The Northern California Association has been conducting a series of tournaments using a "no qualifying" system which will be the style they will use during 1966. From the results of the first four meets, the idea has turned out real successful, producing many favorable comments.

### TOURNAMENT NO. 1 — CLASS B — APRIL 3, 1966

#### MOSSWOOD PARK, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

GROUP 1	W	L	R	SP	%
Kim Ludlow, Los Gatos .....	5	0	157	286	54.9
Jack Pipe, Seaside .....	4	1	141	262	53.8
Bill Fulwider, Santa Rosa .....	3	2	127	296	42.9
Artie Murphy, Mosswood .....	1	4	132	318	41.5
George Greeott, Santa Rosa .....	1	4	103	278	37.5
Sam Strickland, Seaside .....	1	4	76	260	29.2

GROUP 2	W	L	R	SP	%
Bill Seymour, Golden Gate .....	5	0	140	290	48.2
Russ Melton, Gilroy .....	3	2	152	324	47.0
Bill Jerome, Arroyo Viejo .....	3	2	131	342	38.3
Paul Dovell, Arroyo Viejo .....	2	3	146	326	44.7
H. O. 'Ole' Hansen, Seaside .....	2	3	107	292	36.6
Walt Petersen, Santa Rosa .....	0	5	139	346	40.1

GROUP 3	W	L	R	SP	%
Ben Saathoff, Mosswood .....	4	1	159	334	47.6
Bruce McVicar, Arroyo Viejo .....	3	2	120	334	36.0
Russ Melton, Gilroy .....	3	2	140	342	41.0
Ralph Forsman, Mosswood .....	2	3	129	304	42.4
Vail Rasmussen, Arroyo Viejo .....	2	3	125	310	40.3
Al Baker, Golden Gate .....	1	4	87	312	27.8

### TOURNAMENT NO. 2 — APRIL 9, 1966

#### RYLAND PARK, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

GROUP 1	W	L	R	SP	%
Joe Sadowski, Los Gatos .....	5	0	98	284	34.5
Louis Keller, Vallejo .....	4	1	99	334	29.6
Ted Nauer, San Jose .....	2	3	83	338	24.5
Frank Campbell, Seaside .....	2	3	85	328	25.9
Larry Philbrick, San Jose .....	1	4	77	332	23.2
Joe Lucero, Los Gatos .....	1	4	65	306	21.2

GROUP 2	W	L	R	SP	%
Paul Zahn, Seaside .....	4	1	99	326	30.4
Earl Conrad, Golden Gate .....	4	1	95	258	36.8
Ned Jensen, Seaside .....	3	2	103	294	35.0
Bob Swenson, Los Gatos .....	2	3	98	296	33.1
Joe Jozovich, Los Gatos .....	2	3	66	282	23.4
George Whitney, Seaside .....	0	5	46	270	17.0

GROUP 3	W	L	R	SP	%
Royce Miller, San Jose .....	4	1	102	294	34.7
Larry Melton, Gilroy .....	4	1	111	346	32.0
Bill Henry, Gilroy .....	3	2	94	340	27.6
Cal Childress, San Jose .....	2	3	89	314	28.3
Cliff Kendall, San Jose .....	2	3	62	336	18.4
Ed Stanford, Gilroy .....	0	5	65	319	20.4

**Northern Calif. Conducts — (Continued)**

TOURNAMENT NO. 3 — APRIL 17, 1966

GOLDEN GATE CLUB, SAN FRANCISCO

**CLASS C**

GROUP 1	W	L	R	SP	%
Roger Bell, Arroyo Viejo .....	5	0	127	238	53.4
George Greott, Santa Rosa .....	4	1	114	278	41.0
Phil Begier, Arroyo Viejo .....	3	2	125	312	40.1
Earl Conrad, Golden Gate .....	2	3	91	276	33.0
Dick Thomas, Los Gatos .....	1	4	78	258	30.2
H. O. Hansen, Seaside .....	0	5	68	282	24.1

GROUP 2	W	L	R	SP	%
Pete Manitone, Sacramento .....	4	1	124	316	39.2
Ned Jensen, Seaside .....	4	1	98	270	36.3
Al Mulder, Golden Gate .....	3	2	115	318	36.2
Sonny Hatsme, Vallejo .....	3	2	97	322	30.1
Bruce Lyon, Golden Gate .....	1	4	65	262	24.8
Berwyn Robb, Santa Rosa .....	0	5	74	312	23.7

GROUP 3	W	L	R	SP	%
Joe Sadowski, Los Gatos .....	4	1	135	332	40.7
Larry Melton, Gilroy .....	4	1	133	344	38.7
Rolland Pilon, Seaside .....	3	2	139	346	40.2
Tony Koviak, Seaside .....	2	3	130	352	36.9
Bill Fiddler, San Jose .....	1	4	101	350	28.8
Don Muenchow, Mosswood .....	1	4	135	368	36.9

GROUP 4	W	L	R	SP	%
Bob Johnson, Santa Rosa .....	5	0	120	344	34.9
Louis Keller, Vallejo .....	4	1	121	322	37.6
Al Crossman, Vallejo .....	3	2	108	324	33.3
Frank Westbrook, Vallejo .....	2	3	85	344	24.7
Cal Childress, Los Gatos .....	1	4	84	354	23.7
Bill Henry, Gilroy .....	1	4	51	296	17.2

TOURNAMENT NO. 4 — APRIL 24, 1966

TAHOE PARK, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA — CLASS B

	W	L	R	SP	%
Pete Manitone, Sacramento .....	5	0	131	310	42.2
Bill Jerome, Arroyo Viejo .....	4	1	133	322	41.3
Phil Begier, Arroyo Viejo .....	2	3	120	328	36.6
Monty Jones, Grass Valley .....	2	3	121	322	37.5
Virgil Gwaltney, Sacramento .....	1	4	118	338	34.9
H. O. Hansen .....	1	4	106	336	31.5

**Attention N. Y. State Horseshoe Pitchers**

The 1966 New York State Tournament will be held at Lockport, N. Y. On July 2nd and 3rd, 1966. Last year at Lockport we had a very fine tournament and the Lockport club showed us a very good time and made us feel very much at home. So don't forget, keep this weekend open and plan to attend this year's tournament. Also a lot of you men and ladies have not applied for your State and national cards, so do this as soon as possible.

To obtain your 1966 cards write to: Joseph A. Pollock, 35 Hazel St., Binghamton, N. Y. 13905. Dues are \$5.00 for combined State, National, and Digest so hurry and get yours now. See you all at Lockport, N. Y. in July.

*COVER PICTURE . . . The picture shown this month was taken by an amateur photographer at the 1965 Red River Valley Open tournament, held on the Oak Grove park courts in Fargo, North Dakota. It was sent in by Will Gullickson of the Fargo, North Dakota Forum who received it. The photo is most unusual and shows Ellis Cobb, editor of the News Digest, whose shoe appears about to encircle his head, as he was engaged in his qualifying round in that annual tournament last season. It is on these courts that the Fargo club is making a strong bid to hold the 1967 World tournament.*

## Paul Focht To Defend Title In Hebron, Ohio Open

The second annual Hebron Open tournament will be held on June 24, 25, 26 at the Hebron, Ohio's club courts located on Route 440, 25 miles east of Columbus, Ohio, north of new Route 70, taking the Hebron and Newark exit. Paul Focht will be the defending champion. The Hebron club will conduct the tournament assisted by the Ohio Buckeye association. This will be an NHPA sanctioned tournament, with trophies and certificates being awarded to first place winners in each class.

Qualifying will begin on Friday evening, June 24 at 6 p.m. until 10 p.m. resuming on Saturday morning and closing at 12 noon. Entry fee will be \$5.00.

The Hebron and Newark clubs extend a cordial invitation to all to participate in this annual event, being played on the clubs new lighted courts. There are motels and restaurants nearby.

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## Dogwood Blossom Invitational Tournament — Lynchburg, Va.

The Hill City, Virginia club together with the Lynchburg Recreation department will sponsor the Dogwood Blossom Invitational tournament at the Miller park courts in Lynchburg, Virginia on Saturday, May 14. Starting time will be 1 P.M. daylight saving time.

All entries must be members of NHPA in good standing, and show 1966 membership cards. Entry fee will be \$3.00, payable at time of qualifying.

All qualifying must be done on Miller Park courts. Each pitcher must pitch 100 shoes for maximum score. Only one qualifying round will be allowed. Qualifying will be under the supervision of the Qualifying Committee, headed by Mr. Robert Toney.

Local pitchers can and must qualify prior to or on Friday night, May 13, between 7 and 11 P.M. Qualifying for out of town guests will be Saturday between 7 A.M. and Noon. No qualifying round will start after 12 o'clock noon.

We plan for this to be a one day tournament with four divisions pitching. Each division will consist of eight pitchers with the man's qualifying score determining which division he will be placed in. The top eight qualifiers will make up the championship Division with Divisions "A", "B", and "C" following.

Beginning promptly at 1 P.M., Divisions "B" and "C" will start play and should complete play between 4:30 and 5 p.m. At approximately 5 P.M., the championship group along with Group "A" will take the courts and the tournament should finish up around 9 P.M. Play will be round-robin with each group pitching 7 games. Trophies will be awarded to first and second places in championship division and for first place only in Divisions "A", "B" and "C".

Winners will be determined on basis of best won/loss records. Ties for any positions receiving trophies will be decided on basis of one game sudden death play-off. Ties for all other positions will be decided on ringer percentage.

## Kindred, North Dakota Open — June 11 and 12

The seventh annual Kindred Open horseshoe tournament will be held here June 11 and 12 at the 12-court layout at the Wildlife Park.

Defending champion is Joe Anzaldi of St. Paul. The tourney annually draws the leading pitchers from the tri-state area of Minnesota, North and South Dakota.

Rudy Lykken will again serve as the tourney manager. He was encouraged to continue in the post after announcing he would like to step out.

Members of the Kindred Club have assured Lykken they will give him assistance in conducting the event.

Lykken and the club have assured Red River Valley League officials they will give Fargo strong support in the bid to become the site of the 1967 world tournament.

Lykken said the Kindred courts will be available for practice and any emergency which might arise. Kindred is located 25 miles south west of Fargo.

Lykken said he has signed 11 members to the NHPA for 1966 and will have more.

Will Gullickson, NHPA regional director from Moorhead, Minn., met with Lykken to discuss plans for the 1967 world tourney bid. Gullickson said Kindred (population 600) was recognized as one of the most horseshoe-minded towns in the nation. Kindred has held the state tourney twice and has developed two of the area's leading pitchers — Gene Lykken and Bill Lybeck.

Gullickson noted that Kindred's backing will be an important factor in securing the world tourney.

## 1966 Eastern National Horseshoe Tournament

Date: June 18 & 19

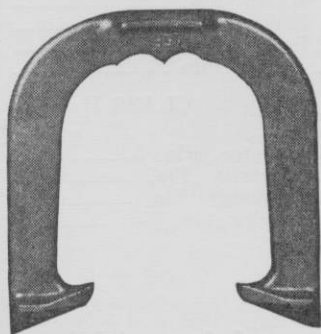
Host: Red Mill Horseshoe Club

Place: Washington, Pa. at Scotty's Restaurant. The restaurant is located on route 18, approximately 2 miles south of Washington.

**Qualifying:** To qualify for this event the contestant will be required to submit ringer averages from two sanctioned tournaments he participated in since the last Eastern National (1965) that has been published in the Digest. The committee will average these two results and place the contestant. If the pitcher has not competed in two sanctioned events since the 1965 Eastern, he shall submit his last tournament average. Anyone that has not participated in a published sanctioned tournament in the past two years will not be eligible for this event.

**Entry Procedure & Fee:** Contestants are required to send in their two averages, stating from what tournament and where they can be found in the Digest, to Clyde W. Martz, 3233 Arapahoe Road, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15234, along with \$10.00 ((check or money order — no cash please) and their complete address, which includes your zip code, and phone number before June 4. The committee's decision on placement shall be final. Any pitcher not accepted for the competition will have his money refunded. All players will then be notified of their pitching classes and time so they can plan accordingly.

**Tournament Schedule and Prize List:** Class A will be made up of 16 men playing a round robin. Classes B, C, D, E, and F will have 8 men in each class. Total men in the tournament will be 56.



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## Les Long, Victor In Play-off For Orlando, Florida Open Title

The weather was sunny and warm — but not too-oo warm, in fact it was perfect for pitching. Competition was almost perfect also. The time was March 19, and the place was Orlando, Florida. The event was the annual Orlando Open tournament. There were 25 men and one lady entered. Competition ended with all classes in a tie except Class D.

Class A required a play-off between Leslie Long of Sterling, Illinois and John Rademacher of Plant City, Florida. Long finally won out in a close and exciting game, with the final score being 50-46. John Clingan of Apopka, Florida took third place.

Class B ended in a 3-way tie with the standings being decided by ringer percentage by players request. Frank Sumpter of Martinsville, Ohio was first with 51.5; Ross Hitchcock of Youngstown, Ohio second with 50.2 and Jack Ellis of Bradenton, Florida, third with 48.4.

Class C was won by the only lady contestant, Opal Corbett of New Castle, Pennsylvania with a 4 and 1 record. Class D was snared by Barclay Webster of Orlando, Florida with Bill Costello of Bradenton, Florida in second spot.

### CLASS A

	W	L
L. Long, Illinois .....	6	1
J. Rademacher, Fla. ....	6	1
J. Clingen, Fla. ....	5	2
Al Beach, Fla. ....	4	3
Wm. Keegan, Fla. ....	3	4
B. Hoover, Fla. ....	1	6
J. Wilkinson, Ohio ....	1	6
A. Clingen, Fla. ....	3	4

### CLASS B

	W	L
F. Sumpter, Ohio .....	5	2
R. Hitchcock, Ohio .....	5	2
J. Ellis, Fla. ....	5	2
A. Pawella, Fla. ....	4	3
H. Kemp, Fla. ....	4	3
G. Rademacher, Fla. ....	2	5
L. Peary, Fla. ....	2	5
W. Figy, Ohio .....	1	6

### CLASS C

	W	L
O. Corbett, Penna. ....	4	1
J. Thornet, Fla. ....	3	2
T. Corbett, Penna. ....	3	2
H. Sexton, Fla. ....	3	2
J. Kelly, Mich. ....	2	3
J. Dunn, Fla. ....	0	5

### CLASS D

	W	L
B. Webster, Fla. ....	3	0
W. Costello, Fla. ....	2	1
H. Hookway, Fla. ....	1	2
A. Drinkwater, Fla. ....	0	3

## Hibbing, Minnesota To Be Scene of Annual Minnesota Moose State Horseshoe Tournament

The annual Minnesota Moose state horseshoe tournament will be held at Hibbing, Minnesota on Sunday, June 26. It will be for members of the Moose lodges only. Festivities will start with a dinner on Saturday evening, June 25 for all the players and their families that come.

Last year's tournament was held in St. Paul at the Ramsey county courts. There being 30 pitchers taking part. This year's event is expected to draw 50 or more. Winners in last year's meet were as follows: Andy Paglarini, first; Jerry Joswick, second; John Yernberg, third, and Ralph Ludberg, fourth. There were 3 classes, with 4 trophies in each class. It is expected to have at least 5 classes this year. All members of the Moose fraternity in the confines of the state of Minnesota are cordially invited to attend this fraternal ringerama and enjoy the hospitality of the friendly city of Hibbing.

## Ballowe-Burnette Combo Wins Lynchburg, Va. Tri-County Title

The Ballowe-Burnette combination posted a neat ringer percentage of 55.7 to win all their games taking the Lynchburg, Va. Tri-County Doubles championship. Tournament was played on Sunday, April 24, Gusty, high winds kept percentages down. Bob Toney and Royal Williams were defending champions. Williams was ill, so Herman Torrance took his place. A trophy was awarded to each member of the winning team.

	W	L	R	SP	%
T. Ballowe - O. Burnette .....	4	0	137	246	55.7
J. Bullion - M. May .....	3	1	107	228	46.9
J. Tyner - F. Childress .....	2	2	111	266	41.3
R. Toney - H. Torrance .....	1	3	113	264	43.0
L. Dove - R. Ragland .....	0	4	119	260	45.8

### Connecticut State Association Tournament Schedule

May 15, The Conn. Closed.	at Middletown 10 A.M.
June 5, Conn. Open - All pitchers 36 percent and over.	at New Canaan 10 A.M.
June 12, Conn. Open - All pitchers under 36 percent.	at New Canaan 10 A.M.
July 10, Sam Bartram Tourney (formerly Tri-County)	at Middletown 10 A.M.
July 24, Family Day Picnic @ Boys Tournament	at Middletown
Aug. 14, State Championship (Class A)	at New Canaan 10 A.M.
Aug. 21, State Championships (All other Classes)	at Middletown 10 A.M.
Sept. 11, Turbie Memorial (Class A Invitation)	at Hartford 12:30 P.M.

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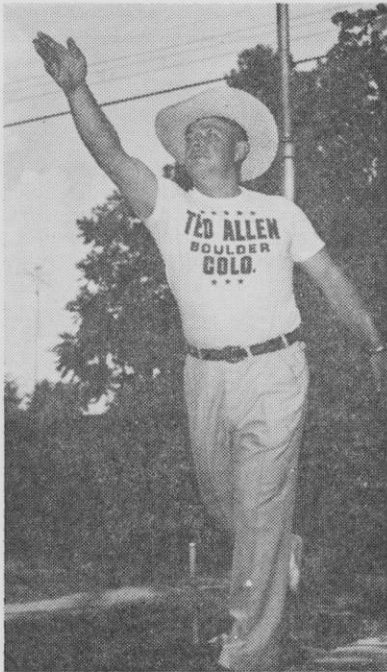
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# Seven Charter Members For Horseshoe



Ted Allen



Frank Jackson

★ The Horseshoe Pitching Hall of Fame came officially into existence with the selection of seven charter members as the games outstanding personalities of the past.

The seven charter members of the newly formed Hall of Fame will be officially honored and installed at ceremonies during the 1966 World Tournament in Murray, Utah, next August. Their names and pictures will be inscribed on a permanent plaque which will be placed on display at major tournaments all over the United States in the future.

★ Additional members will be selected and honored each succeeding year. Selections are made in two different categories; those who have brought prestige by their playing record on the courts and those who have made significant and outstanding contributions to the game in an administrative capacity as promoters, organizers and NHPA officials.

The seven charter members date back to 1909 and include three players who have dominated the game ever since its organization. Four were selected from the administrative category. The balloting was very close in this category, making the selection of four necessary, when a clear cut difference could not be established. This imbalance between players and non-players will be corrected in future selections when two players will be selected to each non-player.

★ The selection committee made a thorough study of horseshoe history in making their selections from a list of nominations made by the general N.H.P.A. membership. Only three of the seven selected are living today, and only one of these was still active in the game last year.

Ted Allen of Boulder, Colo., holder of 10 official World titles, has ranked as the Babe Ruth of horseshoe ever since he won his first World title at the 1933 Chicago World's Fair. He holds more records than any other player, and has given exhibitions all over the United States including one in Madison Square Garden.

# embers Selected Hall of Fame

Frank Jackson, an Iowa farmer, is the legendary figure of the game, but his exploits on the court were very authentic. He won the first recognized World Tournament in 1909 and the 1915 event, the first sanctioned by a national horseshoe group. He completely dominated the game until 1920 and is credited with holding the title each year although no other official tournaments were held. He won the World title in both 1920 and 1921 and again in 1926. His last World Tournament was at the age of 65 in the 1935 event at Moline, Ill. when he finished 5th with a 72.9 ringer average. He barnstormed all over the country until 1940 and old timers will still insist he was the greatest of all time. A rugged, husky individual he originally pitched a  $2\frac{3}{4}$  turn, but as the game improved he changed to a  $1\frac{3}{4}$  in 1926 and regained his World title. He pitched from a stationary position without a stride. His three sons, Hanford, Carroll and Vyril were all top ranking players. Frank Jackson died in 1955 at the age of 85.

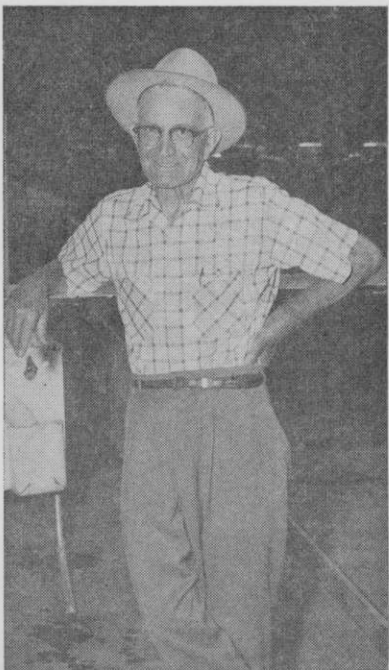


Fernando Isias



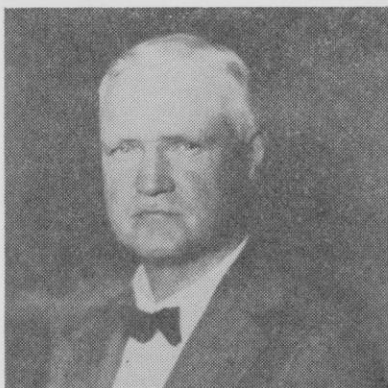
Fernando Isias, of Los Angeles, won eight World titles including a string of six consecutive. His ringer duels with Ted Allen were classics. Fernando used a  $1\frac{3}{4}$  turn and was a picture of rhythm and grace in action with his high arching toss. His last World Tournament appearance was at South Gate in 1963 when he finished in a 6th place tie. His last World title came in 1958 and it is hoped he will again be a contender at Murray this year in a comeback attempt.

Arch Stokes of Salt Lake City, Utah is the Grand Old Man and probably the most beloved figure of the game. It was he who put the game on its feet and gave the World Tournament a home following World War Two. His efforts built the beautiful 18 court layout in Murray and brought the World Tournament there in 1947 and again in 1948 and every year thereafter until 1960. During these years he served four terms as NHPA President and was always the guiding father of the organization. He passed away in 1957 but his influence is still

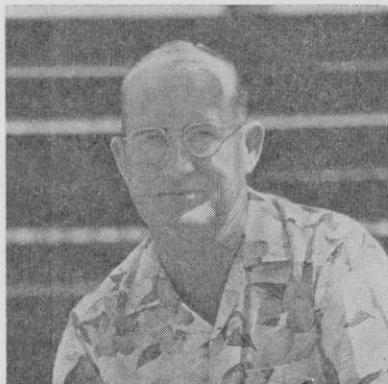


Arch Stokes

## Seven Charter Members Selected For Horseshoe Hall of Fame



David D. Cottrell



Archie Gregson



R. B. Howard

felt in the form of the Arch Stokes Memorial Award given by his family each year to the outstanding contributor to the game. His wife Mary has been a familiar figure at almost every World tourney since 1945 and his daughter Maurine is Secretary of the Utah Association and one of those responsible for this year's championships on the courts her father built.

David D. Cottrell of North Cohocton, N. Y., designer of the first horseshoe scoresheets and an orderly system of tournament results, served as NHPA Secretary from 1925 through 1933. A brilliant organizer and promoter he published the first comprehensive book on the history of game and how to play it in 1927. It is still our primary source of historical data and information. He was a world traveler and spent his winters in Florida promoting the World Tournaments of those days. In private life he was the owner and founder of a magazine distribution agency which is still in existence today. He died in 1937 at which time he was still active in horseshoe in New York State.

Archie Gregson of Crestline, Calif., served both as Secretary and as President of the NHPA at various times dating back to 1940. His contributions to the game were many and varied as player, administrator, organizer, tourney manager and master of ceremonies. Along with his wife Katie they formed the most valuable husband-wife team in the history of the game. At the time of his death this past winter Archie still maintained an active interest in the game and was regarded as the NHPA's elder statesman.

Raymond B. Howard of London, O., published the Horseshoe World for more than 20 years from 1920 until the start of World War Two. Seven of these years he was NHPA Secretary-Treasurer, but his greatest contribution was bringing cohesion and unity to the game by means of game's first monthly publication, The Horseshoe World. Without it the NHPA would never have achieved the status of a

## Horseshoe Hall of Fame

national organization. Recently Mr. Howard has held a high position in the Secretary of State's office in Ohio and helped renew the NHPA's non-profit charter a few years ago. He still lives in London, Ohio.

Former World Champions Charlie Davis, Putt Mossman and Guy Zimmerman along with many time, near champion, Casey Jones had considerable support in the balloting and are certain to make the Hall of Fame in the next few years. Among non-players support was also given Ben Leighton, who brought about the merger of two National horseshoe organizations in 1921 and later fashioned the first ringer percentage chart, and Harry Woodfield, NHPA officer from Washington, D. C. around 1950. Votes also went to Ellis Cobb, Elmer Beller, Bob Pence and Leland Mortenson, all of whom are still active in the game.

Fred Brust of Columbus, Ohio, 1920 World Champion, one of the NHPA's

founding fathers and the first to manufacture horseshoes for playing the game, had the distinction of being the only individual considered both as a player and non-player. He is sure to be a future selection.

Three ladies were among those nominated for consideration by the membership. They were present champ Sue Gillespie, five times champion Vicki Chapelle Winston and Esther James.

Others who received nominations from the membership included all former World Champions along with Curt Day, Jimmy Risk and Frank Robinson in the players category and non-players Harvey Clear, Byron Jaskulek, Clyde Green, Ottie Reno, Roy Smith and Katie Gregson.

The Selection Committee was headed by Carl Steinfeldt of New York. Others were Elmer Beller of California, Marvin Chrisman of Indiana, Leland Mortenson of Iowa and NHPA Secretary Bob Pence.

### Michigan's Dimondale-Capitol National Open

A brand new open tournament will get under way on May 28 through May 30, when the Dimondale, Michigan club will institute the Dimondale-Capitol National Open on their courts in Dimondale, Michigan. This being the Memorial Day week-end should bring out a bumper crop of ringermen and their friends.

Qualifying will begin and continue from 6:00 P.M. Friday, May 27th till 10 P.M. The period from 8:00 A.M. till 11:00 A.M. on Saturday May 28 will also be open for this purpose. Regular competition will start at 12:00 noon on Saturday. Percentages will be utilized wherever possible. Out of Michigan competitors should bring or send in their percentage record from his or her respective state championship tournament of 1965.

A person who has an acceptable percentage record, but insists on qualifying for a higher class group, may do so by paying a \$1.00 qualifying fee.

Registration must be in the hands of James Ostrander Sr. of 5717 Hilliard St., Lansing, Michigan. Jim is chairman of the registration committee. The time dead line is 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, May 28th.

There will be a championship flight of the 16 competitors, percentage wise. They will be divided into groups of 8. The top 3 or 4 in each of these two groups will move into the finals on Monday. We hope to get at least one group in each class pitched through on Saturday.

Dimondale has excellent lighting facilities. We can pitch evenings as long as necessary. Competition on all 3 days will begin at 12 noon. General Tournament Chairman is Oscar Hope, 1120 Comfort Street, Lansing, Michigan. Tournament Registrations will be in charge of James Ostrander, Sr., 5717 Hilliard Street, Lansing, Michigan. The Accommodations Committee will be headed by Earl Grable, of Dimondale, Michigan.

The Dimondale club's 1966 officers are as follows: Earl Grable, president; Victor Benson, vice-president; Marge Buehler, secretary and Irene Grable, treasurer.

## *In Memoriam*

The hearts of the New Jersey state association and the NHPA members were saddened to learn of the passing of Mr. John Landers of West Orange, New Jersey, on January 16. Mr. Landers was instrumental in getting many youngsters in the West Orange area interested in pitching horseshoes, some of these included Bill Kolo, Joe McCrink, Frank Skinner and many others. Mr. Landers himself was an outstanding player in the late '30's and early '40's having won the Town championship for many years. He attained fifth place in the 1937 state tournament. It is men like Mr. John Landers that leave a fine example of leadership in our sport for others to follow and carry on. The sympathy of the New Jersey association and that of the National association is extended to the bereaved family.

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Another link in the chain of horseshoe pitching friends has been broken, as we learn of the death of Grant Burgess of Lambert, Montana. Mr. Lambert was a member of the NHPA for many years and an ardent reader of the News Digest. The sympathy of the NHPA is extended to his family.

### **Washington Association 1966 Tournament Schedule**

- Vancouver Invitational — June 4 or 5.
- Bellingham International Open — June 19 — S. & N. sanctioned, all Classes.
- Lewis & Clark Open — June 19 - all Classes.
- Yakima Sunfair Open — June 26 - all Classes.
- Bremerton Open — July 3 & 4 - S. & N. sanctioned, all Classes.
- Omak Open — July 17 - S. & N. sanctioned - all Classes.
- John Monasmith Open — July 23 & 24 - S. & N. sanctioned - all Classes.

Normally, this tournament is held the first week in August, but because the World Tournament is being held at that time a lot of our top pitchers would like to attend both tournaments. This year it's a Pre-World warmer. Inland Empire Invitational Handicap at Spokane - Aug. 21 - S. & N. sanctioned  
 Washington State Meet at Seattle - Sept. 4 & 5 - S. & N. sanctioned  
 Northwest Open at Yakima - Sept. 17 & 18 — S. & N. sanctioned all Classes

The words (all Classes) means A, B, C, D etc., except the Omak Open and the State Meet which will also include Junior ladies, ladies, junior men and seniors.

### **ATTENTION — Ted Allen Horseshoe Users**

The war in Viet Nam has added greatly to the demand for steel and to the demand for time in the forge shops, where the heavy machinery used in making shoes, must be utilized. This has made it extremely difficult to get the materials. We had expected to have shoes at this time, but delivery date of shoes to you is unknown at this time. When news of delivery is definite, this space will carry it. Money is still being spent to do everything possible. There is no intention of going out of business.

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## COMING EVENTS

- May 14 — Dogwood Invitational tournament, Miller park courts, Lynchburg, Virginia.
- May 14 — Bremen Open tournament, North Broad St. courts, Bremen, Ohio.
- May 15 — Iowa Hawkeye tournament (Members Only) Birdland park courts, Des Moines, Iowa. Men, Juniors, and Ladies. Entry fee \$2.50.
- May 15 — Connecticut Closed tournament, Middletown, Connecticut. 10:00 a.m.
- May 15 — Junior AAU tournament, Cooke field courts, just off Marboro Road, Middlesex, New Jersey. Rain date, following Sunday.
- May 22 — Indiana - Illinois Open tournament, Cayuga, Indiana.
- May 22 — Iowa Open tournament, McKinley park courts, Creston, Iowa \$3.00 fee to Art Reed, 604 West Mills, Creston, Iowa, with qualifying score. Qualifying also on May 21 at courts.
- May 28-29 — Oil Capitol Open tournament, tournament, Kingma courts, LaFayette, Indiana.
- May 28-29 — Vanport, Penna. Spring Warm-Up tournament, Van Port, Pennsylvania.
- May 28-29 — Oil Capitol Open tournament, Central park courts, 6th and Peoria Streets, Tulsa, Oklahoma.
- May 28-29 — Spring Warmup Open tournament, Vanport, Pennsylvania.
- May 30 — Annual Spring Warm-Up Open tournament, Lawrence park courts, Sterling-Rock Falls, Illinois.
- May 30 — Dimondale Capital NHPA Open tournament, Dimondale, Michigan.
- June 3-4-5 — Annual Greenville Open tournament. City park courts, Greenville, Ohio.
- June 4 — Lynchburg Invitational tournament, Miller park courts, Lynchburg, Virginia.
- June 5 — AAU tournament. Warinanco park courts, Elizabeth, New Jersey. Rain date, following Sunday.
- June 11-12 — Northwest District (Ohio), Fulton county club courts, Wauseon, Ohio
- June 11-12 — Northwest Ohio District tournament, Fulton county fairgrounds courts, Wauseon, Ohio. District residents only.
- June 11-12 — Iowa Hawkeye Picnic tournament (Members Only) Birdland park courts, Des Moines, Iowa. Qualifying scores with \$2.50 fee to Lucile Hopkins, 124 So. Cherry St. Ottumwa, Iowa. Qualifying June 11 also at courts.
- June 11-12 — Tournament of Champions, contact Harry Strohm, 419 So. White St., Kansas City, Missouri for details, as to place.
- June 18-19 — Iowa Hawkeye tournament (Members Only) Riverside park courts, Ottumwa, Iowa. Qualifying score and fee of \$2.50 to state secretary. June 18th qualifying at courts.
- June 18-19 — Winchester Invitational tournament, Winchester park courts, Winchester, Virginia.
- June 18-19 — Eastern National Open tournament, Scotty's courts, Rt. 18, 2 miles south of Washington, Pennsylvania.
- June 19 & 26 — Massachusetts State Open tournament, West Side club courts, West Springfield, Massachusetts. (Rain date, July 10).
- June 19 — Crete, Nebraska Open tournament, Crete, Nebraska.
- June 24-25-26 — Open tournament in conjunction with National Threshers convention, Old Timers' event, Friday, June 24. Regular tournament follows during next two days.
- June 26 — John Rosselt Memorial tournament, Warinanco park courts, Elizabeth, New Jersey. Rain date, following Sunday.
- June 26 — St. Joe Open tournament, Noyes Field courts, 28th and Edmund Streets, St. Joseph, Missouri.
- July 1-2-3-4 — Levi Brumbaugh Memorial Ringer Classic, City park courts, Greenville, Ohio.
- July 2-3 — New York State Tournament.
- July 10 — Senior AAU tournament, Branch Brook park courts, Newark, New Jersey. Rain date, following Sunday.
- July 4 — Atkins, Iowa Celebration tournament, Iowa pitchers only.
- July 9-10 — Virginia State NHPA Championship tournament, Winchester park courts, Winchester, Virginia.
- July 10 — Annual 4-State tournament, City park courts, Falls City, Nebraska.
- July 16-17 — Iowa Open tournament, Birdland park courts, Des Moines, Iowa. Qualifying score and \$3.00 fee to Lucile Hopkins, 124 So. Cherry St., Ottumwa, Iowa.
- July 24 — New Jersey Open tournament, Cooke field courts, just off Marboro Road, Middlesex, New Jersey. Rain date, following Sunday.
- July 23-24 — Annual Bremen Open tournament, North Broad Street courts, Bremen.
- August 1-9 — World tournament, Murray park courts, Murray, Utah.
- August 6-7 — Annual Hill City Open tournament, Miller park courts, Lynchburg, Virginia.
- August 7 — Essex County Open tournament, Branch Brook park courts, Newark, New Jersey. Rain date, following Sunday.
- August 14 — Annual Galesburg Open tournament, Lincoln park courts, Galesburg, Illinois.
- August 14 — Falls City, Nebraska Open tournament, City park courts, Falls City, Nebraska.
- August 16-17 — Illinois State tournament, State fairgrounds, Springfield, Illinois.
- August 17 — Illinois State Boys' tournament, State fairgrounds, Springfield, Illinois.
- August 20-21 — Annual Cornbelt Open tournament, Crapo park courts, Burlington, Iowa.
- August 20-21 — Apple Capitol Open tournament, Winchester park courts, Winchester, Virginia.
- August 20 & 21 — Annual Massachusetts State tournament, West Side courts, West Springfield, Massachusetts.
- August 21 — New Jersey State Singles tournament, (closed), Warinanco park courts, Elizabeth, New Jersey. Rain date, following Sunday.
- August 28 — New Jersey State Doubles tournament, (closed). Tournament location to be announced later. Rain date, following Sunday.
- September 5 — Annual Rock River Open tournament, Lawrence park courts, Sterling-Rock Falls, Illinois.

## Coming Events — Continued

September 3-4 — Ottumwa Open tournament, Riverside park courts, Ottumwa, Iowa. Qualifying score and \$3.00 fee to Lucille Hopkins, 124 So. Cherry St., Ottumwa, Iowa.

September 5 — Stone City Celebration tournament, Stone City, Iowa. Qualifying score to Archie Matheny, Rte. 3, Anamosa, Iowa. Iowa pitchers only.

September 11 — Annual Midland Empire Open tournament, Noyes Field courts, 28th and Edmund Streets, St. Joseph, Missouri.

September 18 — Afton, Iowa Open tournament, Afton, Iowa. Qualifying score and \$3.00 fee to Lewis Jeter, Afton, Iowa.

Sept. 24 — 25 — Annual Fulton County Open tournament, Fairgrounds courts, Wauseon, Ohio.

### Northern California Schedule

May 15 — Arroyo Viejo, C.  
 May 22 — San Jose, B.  
 May 29, Gold. Gate, AA-A.  
 June 5 — Seaside, C.  
 June 12 — Los Gatos, AA-A.  
 June 19 — Arroyo Viejo, B.  
 June 26 — Mosswood, C.  
 July 4 — Golden Gate, D.  
 July 9-10 — Pleasanton, AA-A.  
 July 17 — Seaside, B.  
 July 23-24 — Santa Rosa, AA-A.  
 July 31 — San Jose, C.  
 August 7 — Arroyo Viejo, D.

August 14 — Mosswood, B.  
 August 20-21 — Pacific Coast, AA-A.  
 August 27-28 — State, (Southgate).  
 Sept. 4 — Los Gatos, C.  
 September 11, Seaside, D.  
 September 18 — Arroyo Viejo, A.  
 September 25 — Los Gatos, B.  
 October 2 — Sacramento, C.  
 October 9 — San Jose, D.  
 October 16 — Mosswood, AA.  
 October 23 — Golden Gate, B.  
 October 30 — Santa Rosa, C.  
 Nov. 13 — Northern meeting, Mosswood.

## Hoover Racks Up Five Straight To Win DeSoto Open

Bill Hoover of Orlando, Florida, sporting a classy 63.1 ringer percentage, racked up 5 straight wins to take the annual DeSoto Open title. Meet was held during the annual DeSoto Week celebration at Bradenton, Florida, March 23-26. Joe Foster of Nebraska had a clean slate in Class B, while Frank Sumpter of Ohio had a 6-1 record for honors in Class C, as did Carl Lundgren of Michigan in Class D. In Class E, it was Joe Kelly of Florida in first and Tom Summers of Pennsylvania clipping 5 in a row for top spot in Class F.

### CLASS A

	W	L	%
W. Hoover, Fla. ....	5	0	63.1
J. Rademacher, Fla. ....	4	1	63.6
L. Long, Ill. ....	3	2	58.0
W. Keegan, Fla. ....	2	3	57.5
J. Clingan, Fla. ....	1	4	54.1
W. Arenth, Fla. ....	0	5	48.0

### CLASS C

	W	L	%
F. Sumpter, Ohio ....	6	1	44.3
L. Peary, Fla. ....	6	1	45.2
G. Rademacher, Fla. ....	4	3	38.6
J. Guernsey, Mich. ....	4	3	37.7
R. McClure, Ohio ....	4	3	30.2
H. Kemp, Fla. ....	3	4	41.8
J. Thonert, Fla. ....	1	6	25.7
G. Burkland, N. Y. ....	0	7	28.4

### CLASS E

	W	L	%
J. Kelly, Fla. ....	4	1	28.0
G. Collins, Fla. ....	4	1	28.4
H. Gampfer, Ohio ....	3	2	21.6
W. Costello, Mich. ....	2	3	22.0
E. Draeger, Ohio ....	2	3	21.2
H. Hookway, Fla. ....	0	5	22.3

### CLASS B

	W	L	%
J. Foster, Neb. ....	7	0	50.9
R. Hitchcock, Ohio ....	6	1	50.0
W. Figy, Ohio ....	5	2	40.7
S. Brozovich, Mich. ....	3	4	42.2
J. Wilkinson, Ohio ....	3	4	34.4
J. Ellis, Fla. ....	2	5	38.0
R. Gravink, N. Y. ....	1	6	42.0
W. Packard, Fla. ....	0	7	36.6

### CLASS D

	W	L	%
C. Lundgren, Mich. ....	6	1	36.1
O. Corbett, Penna. ....	5	2	33.0
B. Mulhern, Fla. ....	5	2	31.5
A. Berdan, Mich. ....	4	3	38.5
S. D. Rogers, Mich. ....	4	3	23.0
H. Ehmke, N. Y. ....	2	5	27.3
T. Corbett, Penna. ....	2	5	23.3
W. Webster, Fla. ....	0	7	15.5

### CLASS F

	W	L	%
T. Summers, Penna. ....	5	0	22.8
H. Porter, Fla. ....	4	1	21.0
A. Drinkwater, Fla. ....	3	2	14.5
K. Davidson, Ohio ....	2	3	14.0
J. Carr, Mich. ....	1	4	5.5
W. Wassenaar, Mich. ....	0	5	7.0



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## Local Clubs

Winchester, Virginia — During the past Winter, a new horseshoe pitchers club was organized in Winchester, Virginia. The group is known officially as the "Winchester Horseshoe Pitcher's Association" and will, if they haven't already, become affiliated with the NHPA.

We old timers in Virginia are a little excited about this group for we feel that it is bound to stimulate new interest and result in more and better competition. They are already arranging Summer activities as the above tourney dates attest, including organized league play several nights each week.

### Oregon State Association Activities for 1966

The state of Oregon is very proud of the recent publicity given our Brochure and the picture of our State Champ on another issue. We wish to thank everyone concerned and express our appreciation.

Officers are as follows: Bill Hulshof, retained as State President. Ed Karlhom, newly elected Vice-President; Ernie La Voie, newly elected secretary-treasurer.

Tourney dates selected were as follows:

- May 22 — Hillsboro Open (ABC classes sanctioned).
- June 11 — Lebanon Strawberry Festival.
- June 11 & 12 — Bryant Memorial
- June 19 — Willamette Valley Fathers Day tourney (All sanctioned).
- July 3 — Hillsboro Happy Days Open (ABC sanctioned).
- July 9 — Woodburn Invitational (tentative date).
- July 17 — Corvallis - State Open.
- July 30 — Vernonia Friendship Jamboree.
- August 20-21 — STATE TOURNAMENT - Hillsboro (All Sanctioned)
- Sept. 11 — Washington County & Invitational.

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## Seattle Memorial Open Tournament — May 29-30

The Seattle Memorial Open tournament will be held in Seattle at Woodland park courts, on Memorial Day weekend, May 29 and 30. It will be state and National sanctioned in all classes. This tournament which is a memorial in honor of those who have unselfishly contributed much time, labor, money and good will for the promotion of our horseshoe sport and are no longer with us. We invite the participation of all pitchers in this event, which promises to be the biggest one yet.

## Kansas City Hosts To National AAU Juniors Championship

Mr. Harry Strohm of the Kansas City club announces that the National AAU Juniors Championship will be held in Kansas City, Missouri Saturday and Sunday, July 30 and 31.

To clarify a point that may be mis-leading, the fact that it is called a "juniors" tournament does not mean that it is confined to those under 18. Because there is another meet sponsored by the AAU, which is the "Seniors" tournament and that is the major meet. Therefore, the Juniors tournament does not have any age limit, so anyone that does not play in the major event can take part in the Juniors meet. Further details will be available in the next issue of the Digest or from Mr. Harry Strohm, 419 South White St., Kansas City, Missouri 64123.

## Foss Wins First Annual Daffodil Festival Tournament, Tacoma, Wash.

Bill Foss won the Tacoma-Pierce County Championship April 3rd by virtue of winning all his games in the top division of the 1st Annual Daffodil Festival Tournament. The tourney was for Pierce County residents only and sponsored by Pierce County and the Daffodil Festival, held in Tacoma, Washington.

Six-time State Champion Lew Getchell and Foss were both undefeated when they met in the final and deciding game. It was neck and neck for most of the game, and then Foss threw too many doubles for Lew. It was great to see Lew back pitching.

The weather was magnificent, warm and clear. However it was obvious the pitchers had not yet obtained their normal summer averages from lack of practice.

The tightest game of the day, which may have changed the outcome, should not go unnoticed. John Juracich bowed his neck against Bill Foss and the lead changed hands several times before the score finally became 49 to 49. Having the first pitch, Foss threw a close one against the peg and a ringer. Johnnie knew he had to have a double. The first was a solid ringer and the second went in the back of the pit. John threw one more ringer than Bill (60.5%) but lost just enough points.

Dave Wiltfong lowered the boom on all his opponents and won the Class B title. For sheer determination we all admired Emmett Torrence. He pitched the whole schedule with his wrist in a cast due to a broken wrist bone.

Class C was split in two divisions and Allen McCoy won the top trophy by sweeping both his division and the subsequent 3 game playoff.

As this was the first major tournament held in Tacoma since the State Tournament of 1949, it was a huge success. Henry Gilbo, Tacoma Secretary, is making efforts to get 4 more courts for a total of 16 to put Tacoma back in the tournament swing in a bigger way.

## Southern California Schedule

May 14-15 — 12 Noon May Round Up, South Gate.	Open, Oxnard.
May 22 — 12 Noon Added "A" & "F", South Gate.	August 14 — 12 Noon Pomona "G" Open, Pomona.
May 28 — 12 Noon (Sat.) Pomona Doubles, Pomona.	August 20 — 4 p.m. (Sat.) Special Open, Pomona.
May 29 — 12 Noon Added "D" & "G", South Gate.	August 21 — 12 Noon Fullerton "B" Open, Fullerton.
June 5 — 12 Noon Long Beach Open, Long Beach.	August 27-28 — 2 p.m. (Sat.) 12 Noon Sun. State Championship.
June 11 — 12 Noon Baldwin Park Doubles, Baldwin Park.	Also "B" & "C" Women & Juniors State Champ. at South Gate.
June 12 — 12 Noon Added "C", Fullerton.	September 4-5 — 12 Noon Ringer Round Up, South Gate.
June 25-26 — 12 Noon June Round Up, South Gate.	September 11 — 12 Noon S. C. Champ "A" & "G", South Gate.
July 2 — 10 a.m. Semana Nautica "B" Santa Barbara.	September 18 — 12 Noon Baldwin Park "D" Open, Baldwin Park.
July 3 — 10 a.m. Semana Nautica "A" Santa Barbara.	September 25 — 12 Noon S. C. Champ "B" & "F", South Gate.
July 9 — 5 p.m. (Sat.) Barstow Open, Barstow.	October 2 — 12 Noon Pomona "C" Open, Pomona.
July 10 — 12 Noon Baldwin Park "E" Open, Baldwin Park.	October 16 — 12 Noon S. C. Champ "AA" & "E", South Gate.
July 16-17 — 12 Noon Western Open, South Gate.	October 23 — 12 Noon S. C. Champ "C", Baldwin Park.
July 24 — 12 Noon Oxnard "AA" & "C" Open, Oxnard.	October 30 — 12 Noon Fullerton "A" Open, Fullerton.
July 31 — 12 Noon Pomona "F" Open, Pomona.	November 6 — 12 Noon S. C. Champ "D", Pomona.
August 7 — 12 Noon Oxnard "B" & "F"	November 13 — 12 Noon South Gate Open, South Gate. 60 Years Old & Juniors.

## Southern California Pomona Open

The Pomona Open was held on Sunday, April 3, 1966 at Pomona. The tournament was well attended. Don Titcomb who just recently switched to Ted Allen shoes and pitched them in a tournament for the first time was in superb form. For the eight games, he averaged over 82%.

Ronnie (call me "Master") Simmons gave a good account of himself as he reached the playoff. He accomplished a rarity, when he defeated Jim Weeks in their game. Jim has not reached his stride yet this year, but when he does, look out! He is a great competitor.

In the playoff, Don Titcomb and Gerald Schneider each had won two games apiece when they met in the final game. The game went along nip and tuck right down to the wire, but Don was not to be denied.

### GROUP ONE

	W	L	R	SP	%
Gerald Schneider, Bell .....	5	0	229	314	72.9
Ronnie Simmons, Bell .....	4	1	221	338	65.3
Jim Weeks, Norwalk .....	3	2	236	342	69.0
Joe Dawsey, Oxnard .....	2	3	219	328	66.7
Gunnar Hansen, Baldwin Park .....	1	4	202	344	58.8
Waldo Hagy, Las Vegas .....	0	5	210	354	59.3

### GROUP TWO

	W	L	R	SP	%
Don Titcomb, Crestline .....	5	0	251	300	83.6
John Walker, Chula Vista .....	4	1	268	380	70.5
Jonas Snyder, Chula Vista .....	3	2	236	346	68.2
Ed McFarland, Hacienda Heights .....	2	3	233	252	66.1
John Balzer, Santa Ana .....	1	4	192	332	58.9
Ward Berg, Pasadena .....	0	5	141	282	50.0

### PLAYOFF

	W	L	R	SP	%
Don Titcomb, Crestline .....	3	0	195	240	81.2
Gerald Schneider, Bell .....	2	1	172	224	76.7
John Walker, Chula Vista .....	1	2	153	210	72.8
Ronnie Simmons, Bell .....	0	3	124	186	66.6

## Third Annual Los Gatos Open Set June 12th

The third Annual Los Gatos Open will be held June 12th in conjunction with the Los Gatos Lion's Club Annual Steak Barbeque on the nine clay courts in Oak Meadow Park, Los Gatos. The park is located at the north end of University Ave. at Blossom Hill Road.

This is a no-qualifying tournament and all NHPA members are eligible. Members of other associations other than the Northern California Horseshoe Pitchers Ass'n. (NCHPA) must send entry fee of \$4.00 and official ringer percentage certified by a club official to Joe Sadowski, Sec.-Treas. of the Los Gatos Club, 166 Lester Lane, Los Gatos, postmarked no later than Tuesday May 31st. Entrants will be informed by return mail of morning or afternoon starting time. **The**

## Indiana State Association 1966 Tournament Plans

The "no qualifying plan" of last year will be used again in 1966.

Players will be placed in classes on the basis of their previous ringer percentage and this rating will change after each tournament.

New members and players without a 1965 record will pitch 100 shoes and send the scoresheet in the first time they enter a tournament as a basis for their initial rating. Thereafter their actual tourney record will be used. These 100 shoes may be pitched anywhere.

All entries must be made in advance of the tournament to the properly designated person by mail, phone or in person. Entry fee money must accompany the entry.

A deadline for entries has been established for each tournament and a person designated to receive the entries for each tournament. These have been listed in the schedule on the reverse side of this letter.

Each entrant will be notified by mail that this entry has been received and told exactly when his class will start actual play. This will apply to out of state players as well as Indiana members in Open events such as the Midwest, Indiana-Illinois, Indiana-Ohio, etc.

By this plan everyone will know in advance exactly when he will play in each tournament. No one will have to come early and wait around for his Class to take the courts.

Late entries can not and will not be accepted. Get yours in on time.

Two or more trophies will be awarded in each class of each tourney. Cash prizes will also be given in the State, Midwest and Ind.-Ohio.

A State-National membership card will be required in all tournaments. Membership fee is \$2.50 and can be obtained at your first tourney or from Secretary Earle Wilmore, 1350 Dearborn St., Gary, Ind.

## Indiana State 1966 Fund Raising Raffle

You have been mailed a book of ten "Ringer Raffle" tickets as part of our 1966 Fund Raising project. The donation for each ticket is only \$1.00. Dispose of nine of them and the 10th is yours.

Last year this plan was a success. In addition to the \$100.00 first prize, 13 other prizes were given. \$356.00 was added to the State Tournament prize money while both Sue Gillespie and Curt Day, our State Champions, were given \$200.00 each towards their expenses to the World Tournament.

This year can be even more successful. We hope to add even more money to our cash prize list in the State Tourney and again will help defray the expenses of our champions to the World Tournament in Utah.

Sue won the world title last year and Curt posted the highest ringer average in the men's division. We can feel justly proud of their performances and knowledge we helped.

The fund raising chairman is Harold Craig, 809 Carson Street, Muncie, Ind. Turn your "Raffle Ticket" money in to him and when you have sold your tickets he will supply you with more.

## 1966 Indiana State Association Tournament Schedule

NOTE — All entries must be made in advance by deadline time to the designated person by mail, phone or in person with entry fee included. All entries will be notified by mail exactly when they are scheduled to play.

May 22: Indiana-Illinois Open at Cayuga, Ind.

Deadline for entries — Sunday, May 15. Entry fee \$3.00

Send entries to Karl Van Sant, Box 415, Cayuga, Ind.

May 28-29: Joe Schilling Memorial Open at Kingma Courts, Lafayette.

Deadline for entries Sunday, May 22. Entry fee \$3.00.

Send entries to Earle Wilmore, 1350 Dearborn Street, Gary, Ind.

June 4-5: Northeast Indiana at Avilla, Ind.

Deadline for entries — Sunday, May 29. Entry fee \$2.00.

Send entries to Bob Pence, 341 Polk Street, Gary, Ind.

June 4-5: Northwest Indiana at High School Courts, Kouts, Ind.

Deadline for entries — Sunday, May 29. Entry fee \$2.00.

Send entries to Earle Wilmore, 1350 Dearborn Street, Gary, Ind.

June 11-12: Indiana Spring Open at Clear Creek Park, Richmond, Ind.

Deadline for entries — Sunday, June 5. Entry fee \$3.00.

Send entries to Bob Pence, 341 Polk Street, Gary, Ind.

June 18-19: Eastern Indiana at Roberts Park, Connersville, Ind.

Deadline for entries — Thursday, June 9. Entry fee \$3.00.

Send entries to Bob Pence, 341 Polk Street, Gary, Ind.

June 25-26: Western Indiana at Dorner Park, Frankfort, Ind.

Deadline for entries — Thursday, June 16. Entry fee \$3.00.

Send entries to Earle Wilmore, 1350 Dearborn Street, Gary, Ind.

July 2-3-4: Boone County Open, 4-H Fairgrounds, Lebanon, Ind.

Deadline for entries — Thursday, June 23. Entry fee \$3.00.

Send entries to Walter Wilhoite, 120 North Allen Drive, Lebanon, Ind.

July 9-10: Northern Indiana at City Park, Wabash, Ind.

Deadline for entries — Thursday, June 30. Entry fee \$3.00.

Send entries to Earle Wilmore, 1350 Dearborn Street, Gary, Ind.

For Indiana players north of State Road 26 only.

July 16-17: Midwest "Ringer Round Up" at Heekin Park, Muncie, Ind.

Deadline for entries — Thursday, July 7. Entry fee \$5.00. Open to all.

Send entries to Bob Pence, 341 Polk Street, Gary, Ind.

July 23-24: Central Indiana Open at Fairview Park, Anderson, Ind.

Deadline for entries — Thursday, July 14. Entry fee \$3.00.

August 13-14: Hobbs Open at Highland Park, Kokomo, Ind.

Deadline for entries — Thursday, August 4. Entry fee \$3.00.

Send entries to Chet Reel, 807 South Bell Street, Kokomo, Ind.

August 20-21: Southern Indiana at Fairgrounds, Franklin, Ind.

Deadline for entries — Sunday, August 14. Entry fee \$3.00.

Send entries to Earle Wilmore, 1350 Dearborn Street, Gary, Ind.

August 27-28: Indiana Family Day Events at Fairview Park, Anderson.

Ladies, Juniors, Seniors, Lefthanders and other special events plus family style picnic. Details to be announced later.

Sept. 3-4-5: Indiana State Tournament at Heekin Park, Muncie, Ind.

Deadline for entries — Thursday, August 25. Entry fee \$5.00.

Send entries to Earle Wilmore, 1350 Dearborn Street, Gary, Ind.

Sept. 17-18: Indiana-Ohio Open at Heekin Park, Muncie, Ind.

Deadline for entries — Thursday, Sept. 8. Entry fee \$5.00.

Send entries to Bob Boyer, Box 229, Route #4, Muncie, Ind.

### Boone County, Indiana July 4th Special

A new tournament is announced by Walter Wilhoite, president of the Indiana state association. It is the Boone County, July 4th Special Open tournament, at Lebanon, Indiana. The deadline for entries is June 22. Entry fee will be \$3.00. All entrants will be notified by mail as to when they will play. Send entries and fee to Mr. Walter Wilhoite, 120 North Allen Drive, Lebanon, Indiana 46052, not later than June 22.

