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Middlesex, N. J. Lodging Accommodations For 1971 World Tournament July 31 Thru August 10

All inquiries for housing at the 1971 World Tournament to be held at Middlesex, N. J., July 31 through August 10 should be sent to Mr. Vincent Yannetti, 322 Longwood Ave., Bound Brook, N. J. 08805. Phone 201-356-3862. He has a listing of other motels in the Middlesex area.

When making reservations, please let them know you're coming for the 1971 World Horseshoe Tournament.

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Sunnyslope (Phoenix) Ariz. Group Closes Winter Season

The Winter Horseshoe Pitching season came to a close in the Sunnyslope club in Phoenix, Arizona on March 20. The group held eight tournaments for the men and three tournaments for juniors in the 10- to 14-year group.

Herschel Moore of Phoenix handled these meets played on four courts. It is hoped to have additional courts in the future.

Lester Georgina of Chesterfield, New Hampshire, left, has been named "Mr. Horseshoe of 1971" and elected to membership in the New England Hall of Fame in recognition of long service to the game. Congratulating the former NHPA vice president is Roger Bolduc of Auburn, Maine, representing the New England Horseshoe Pitcher's Association. (Tom Blake Photo)

Tremont Turkey Festival Open, Tremont, III., June 12

The sixth annual Tremont Turkey Festival open horseshoe tournament will be held in the park at Tremont, Ill., on Saturday, June 12. All players must send a 50-shoe qualifying score, as there will not be any qualifying the day of the tournament.

All players MUST be on the courts by 9:30 a.m., Saturday, June 12. Tourna-

ment will start promptly at 10 a.m.

This tournament is limited to the first 48 entries only. Entry fee is \$3.50 payable at the courts. All entries after the first 48 will be returned. There will be 8 men in each class. Classes D, E and F will play to 35 points starting at 10 a.m. — trophies awarded. Classes A, B and C will play to 50 points starting at 1:00 p.m. — trophies awarded.

Send entries to Clyde Coddington, Box 136, R. R. 2, Tremont, Ill.

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1971 World Tournament Schedule

Saturday, July 31, 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. Qualifying all divisions. Sunday, August 1, 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. Qualifying all divisions. 3 p.m. Opening Ceremonies, Presentation of Champions, Special Exhibition—Demonstration for instruction of fans unfamiliar with the game.

Monday, August 2, 9 a.m. Qualifying continued for remaining divisions. 3 p.m. Conclusion of qualifying for Women's and Girl's divisions. 5 p.m. Finals all classes of Women's and Girl's divisions.

Tuesday, August 3, 9 a.m. Qualifying continued for all remaining divisions. 3 p.m. Conclusion of qualifying for Junior Boy's division. 5 p.m. Finals all classes Junior Boy's division.

Wednesday, August 4, 9 a.m. Qualifying continued for all remaining divisions. 3 p.m. Conclusion of qualifying for Senior and Intermediate Men's divisions. 5 p.m. Finals all classes Seniors and Intermediates.

Thursday, August 5, 9 a.m. Annual NHPA Convention and business meeting. 1 p.m. NHPA dinner. 5 p.m. Presentation of players in Men's 36-man championship class. 5:30 p.m. Championship 36-man class and Class B Group 1 (12 players) six games each.

Friday, August 6, 9:30 a.m. Men's Class B Groups 2 and 3 (12 players each), first six games; and Men's Class D, three groups of eight players, seven game round robins. 5:30 p.m. Championship 36-man class, six games and final five games of Class B Group 1.

Saturday, August 7, 9:30 a.m. Men's Class B Group 2 final five games and seven game preliminaries of Men's Class C, four groups of eight players each. 5:30 p.m. Championship 36-man class continued and final five games of Men's Class B Group 3. 4:30 p.m. Hall of Fame, Stokes Award and NHPA Special awards ceremonies.

Sunday, August 8, 10 a.m. Finals Men's Class C eight players; Finals Men's Class D, six players. Finals Men's Class B, 12 players; first four games. Championship 36-man class continued and final four games of Class B finals.

Monday, August 9, 5:30 p.m. Championship 36-man Class continued. Tuesday, August 10, 5:30 p.m. Conclusion of Championship play, final five games. 10 p.m. Trophy awards and closing ceremonies.

Daily Newspaper Available For 1971 World Tournament

The Middlesex Horseshoe Club has made arrangements with The Home News of New Brunswick, N. J. to supply two weeks of the daily and Sunday paper covering the 1971 World Horseshoe Pitching Championships, to be mailed daily to subscribers who wish to follow the progress of the tournament.

The total cost to the subscriber is \$1.50 and anyone wishing this service should complete the coupon below and mail it to the address listed.

Circulation Dept. The Home News 123 How Lane, New Brunswick, N. J. 08903

Please mail me copies of The Home News for the period of July 31 to Aug. 13, 1971 for sports news coverage of the WORLD HORSESHOE PITCHING CHAMPIONSHIPS. I enclose \$1.50 for the two week's issues.

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General Information Of 1971 World Tournament

All campers and trailers will be allowed to park in the Mountain View Park for the duration of their visit here. Tenters will be given an area to pitch tents if they so desire. There is water and toilet facilities in the park and also charcoal braziers in the picnic area for cooking. No camp fires (open) will be allowed and no mini-bikes to be used unless they are properly licensed.

We are trying to make arrangements with the local Board of Education to we are trying to make arrangements with the local board of Education to use the high school shower facilities to accommodate the campers, but at this time we are not yet sure if it can be arranged. The high school is right next to the park and would be very convenient for this purpose. If arrangements cannot be made, campers will have to make their own arrangements for bathing. We will also arrange to have the sanitation trucks make a daily visit of the camper area to pick up trash and rubbish.

We are expecting that this tournament will draw the largest spectator crowd ever, and for this reason we hope that all players attending will, at all times while on the courts, be dressed in the proper pitching garb (whites or lights - no shorts) with their names and state clearly visible on their backs. Each one of us can do his part to help give the game a good reputation by being neatly dressed and acting in a professional manner.

Our publicity committee is working to get the AP and UPI wire services to carry the results of the tournament each day. It is then up to the local newspapers to use the results. We suggest that all clubs and organized groups write to their local papers to request that they carry the results. If the local papers are made to realize that there are enough interested followers of the sport, they will oblige.

We are planning to have a photographer available at the courts to take group pictures of all separate classes. These pictures will be available at a minimal cost. Souvenirs, refreshments, game-related items and horseshoes

will also be on sale.

We are hoping to arrange at least one organized guided tour of New York

City. More of this later if plans develop.

We have also arranged with the New Jersey State Association to have their annual New Jersey Open Tournament on our courts on Sunday, July 25, to accommodate early comers who want to try the courts before the World Tournament. For more information on this tournament, contact Vince Yannetti, Tournament Director, 322 Longwood Ave., Bound Brook, N. J. 08805.

Burchett Play-Off Victor North. Calif. Class "D" Tourney

Walter Burchett of the Redwood Empire Club in Eureka, California, was the victor in the Class D championship held on the Redwood Acres fairgrounds indoor courts in Eureka, California, on April 4. He further clinched the crown

by play-off victories over Ray Long, John Henry and Vern Brightman.

Burchett entered this tournament with an average of 21.5%. He pitched the high game of the tournament, a fine 54.4% game. Regular play in group No. 2 resulted in a three-way tie for second place and John Henry defeated Ralph Collins 36 to 20; John then defeated E. H. Brekke 36 to 17 to gain his place in the play-off.

GROUP ONE			GROUP TWO			
W	L	%	W L %			
Walter Burchett, REHPC 5	0	41.1	Vern Brightman, REHPC 5 0 24.	1		
Ray Long, REHPC 4	1	29.2	John Henry, REHPC 5 2 21.	9		
W. Ray Williams, REHPC 3	2	36.0	E. H. Brekke, REHPC 3 3 20.	6		
Ralph Woodring, REHPC 2	3	14.8	Ralph Collins, Sonoma Co. 3 3 18.	2		
John Miers, REHPC 1	4	11.6	H. Puckett, Sonoma Co. 1 4 17.	8		
			Gary Land, REHPC 0 5 10.	3		

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	W	L	%			W	L	%
Walter Burchett	3	0	31.0	John	Henry	1	2	21.7
Ray Long								

Sample Letter Of How To Contact Your Newspaper

Sports Editor Middlesex Chronicle 16 Mountain Ave. Bound Brook, N. J. 08805

Dear Sir:

Members of the Middlesex Horseshoe Pitchers Club and followers of the game of Horseshoes in this area respectfully request that the sports pages of your newspaper carry daily results of the Annual World Horseshoe Pitching Championship Tournament to be held July 31 thru August 10 in Middlesex.

This annual event attracts entrants from all over the United States and Canada and including some from this area. Daily reports are filed at the playing site with both the Associated Press and United Press International.

Fans and players in this area would greatly appreciate receiving tournament results each day through the medium of the Middlesex Chronicle.

Dale Eberhardt, President Middlesex Horseshoe Pitcher's Club Middlesex, N. J. 08846

(A letter of request coming from a club would have more weight than that coming from an individual. But the individual should also send in his request.)

Rademacher Retains Fla. Strawberry Festival Open Title

John Rademacher of Plant City, Fla., successfully defended the Strawberry Festival title over a strong field of contestants. Les Long of Illinois won over Bob Stowe of Missouri in a very close game that went 102 shoes, with 72 ringers to Stowe's 70.

CLASS A			CLASS B
W	L	%	W L %
John Rademacher, Fla 9			William Figy, Ohio 6 1 45.8
Les Long, Ill 7	2	66.8	Earl Grable,* Mich 5 2 52.2
Bob Stowe, Mo 7	2	67.8	Roy Whittemore,* Maine 5 2 46.4
Byron Hafner, Iowa 6	3	62.0	Burrell Brubeck, Pa 4 3 51.6
William Keegan, Fla 5	4	58.2	Willard West, Fla 4 3 47.7
A. L. Austin, Ill 4	5	59.6	O. Gaudette, Fla 3 4 47.5
Troy Harrison, Fla 4	5	56.9	A. Clingan, Fla 1 6 37.0
John Clingan, Fla 2	7	52.2	O. Corbett, Fla 0 7 33.9
Levi Miller, Fla 1	8	53.1	*Grable and Whittemore tied for 2d
Don Knotts, Ohio 0	9	48.0	& 3d to be played off at a later date.

CLASS C — Dick Campbell, Fla., 7-0-45.1; C. Hewett, Maine, 6-1-50.0; Ross Hitchcock, Fla., 4-3-41.9; John Ellis, Fla., 3-4-44.0; E. Benson, Ill., 3-4-36.9; Les Hostetler, Fla., 2-5-41.0; H. Mullet, Fla., 2-5-36.2; Joe Hightower, Ill., 1-6-39.5.

CLASS D — Jim Geiger, Fla., 6-1-43.9; E. Ronnemus, Fla., 5-2-39.3; Jerry Cole, N. Y., 5-2-38.7; Royce Wrucke, Wis., 4-3-37.8; Earle Johnson, Fla., 4-3-34.7; Harry Garman, Ind., 3-4-31.8; Andy Panico, Ohio, 1-6-25.5; Sam Johnson, Fla., 0-7-32.8.

CLASS E — John Taylor, Minn., 4-1-34.9; Otto Autrey, Fla., 4-1-36.3; Ed Davies, Canada, 3-2-33.1; Milton Myhre, N. D., 2-3-23.9; Ed Drager, Ohio, 1-4-30.4; Ted Casteel, Fla., 1-4-26.3.

CLASS F—Bob Graham, Mich., 5-0-34.9; Joe Thonart, Fla., 4-1-27.6; Wayne Warner, Fla., 3-2-22.3; Johnny Rademacher, Fla., 2-3-25.9; E. Grable, Mich., 1-4-11.4; Ted Corbett, Fla., 0-5-9.7.

1971 Tournament Of Champions — May 29-30

The Tournament of Champions will be held in Springfield, Missouri May 29 and 30, at Phelps Grove Park. All winners of last year's tournaments will be seeded in Class A, and others by performance or percentages. Entry fee of \$3.00 may be sent to Earl Winston at La Monte, Missouri or Ronnie Frakes, 810 North Prospect, Springfield, Missouri.

Carl Van Sant of Indiana is the defending champion. Following are the belated results of the 1970 tournament.

CLASS A — Carl Van Sant, Indiana 6-1-78.5; Merlin Potts, Kansas 5-2-76.5; Dane Baker, Missouri 5-2-77.4; Ray Plute, Missouri 4-3-68.1; Claude Long, Missouri 3-4-65.0; Earl Winston, Missouri 3-4-63.5; Charles Killgore, Missouri 2-5-67.6; Ron Frakes, Missouri 0-7-56.0.

CLASS B — Eldon Stowe, Missouri 4-1-62.6; John Elkins, Missouri 4-1-55.9; Jack Bancroft, Missouri 3-2-58.6; Gerry Kahle, Oklahoma 2-3-50.3; Neil Snelson, Missouri 1-4-54.6; Wayne Winston, Missouri 1-4-49.7. In play-off for first place trophy, Stowe won over Elkins 54-48 with 63.7 game.

CLASS C — Harold Gardner, Missouri 8-1-53.3; Glen Yeoman, Missouri 7-2-53.1; Art Schroeder, Missouri 6-3-48.6; Gordon Hyde, Missouri 6-3-46.6; Jim Acock, Missouri 6-3-44.6; Bill Mority, Missouri 5-4-43.6; John Nichol, Missouri 3-6-48.4; Bill Bayless, Missouri 2-7-42.6; Otha Ellerman, Missouri 2-7-37.0; Bye.

CLASS D — Ramon Carver, Missouri 8-1-50.2; Val Eikel, Missouri 7-2-40.0; John Belden, Oklahoma 7-2-38.1; John Carl, Missouri 6-3-37.7; Robert O'Connor, Missouri 6-3-36.9; Gilbert Nixon, Missouri 5-4-34.7; Kent Winston, Missouri 3-6-33.3; Morris Cordle, Missouri 2-7-29.8; John Mullins, Missouri 1-8-30.3; Bye.

Annual Sterling - Rock Falls, III. Spring Fling — May 31

The Sterling-Rock Falls, Illinois club will open its season with their annual Spring Warm-Up Open Tournament on Memorial Day holiday which is Monday, May 31. It will be held at the Lawrence park courts located midway between Sterling and Rock Falls on an island in the middle of Rock River.

All individual players may bring their qualifying scores from their last tournament, or they can bring a qualifying score signed by a club officer, or they can qualify at the courts on Sunday, May 30, from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m., or Monday, May 31, from 7:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. All pitchers must be registered by 10 a.m. Central Daylight Time. If sending a qualifying score by mail, also

send entry fee of \$3.

Tournament will begin at 11 a.m. sharp. Classes D, E, and half of C will start at 11 a.m. and pitch five games. Classes A, B, and half of C will start immediately after. The 60 highest qualifiers will participate in the tournament which should include all pitchers that come. There will be 12 men in a class being divided into two groups of six, with the winner of each group to play for the first and second place trophy. Runners-up will play for third place trophies. There will be 15 trophies awarded, three for each class. The \$3 entry fee will go for trophies so there will be no cash prizes.

In this tournament we will use the alternating pitch as we have done the last three years. Each player will have first pitch one-half of the time, regardless of who scores the points. Players will flip for choice of which way

he wants to pitch first for the entire game.

Art Hampton of Iowa City, Iowa, will be the defending champion. The tournament, played on 16 cement courts, will be managed by Les Long assisted by the local club. Mrs. Wilma Long and Mrs. Mary Wuebben will act as official scorers.

Send qualifying scores to Leslie Long, R.R. 1, Sterling, Ill. 61081. Or telephone 625-2832; or Weldon Long, 625-8375. Lunch stand will be on grounds.

In Memoriam

The Association of Horseshoe Pitchers of Texas and the NHPA lost a staunch supporter of horseshoe pitching with the recent passing of Matt Bowers. He originally joined the NHPA in 1944 while a resident of West Virginia. Later he was an active competitor in the State of Ohio. In 1957, Matt moved to Houston, Texas, where he joined the horseshoe pitchers in that state.

Matt's leadership ability and enthusiasm for the game helped rejuvenate horseshoe pitching in Texas. In addition to serving as secretary-treasurer for the AHPT for a number of years, he also pitched his way to the Texas state

title in 1960.

The passing of Matt Bowers leaves a deep void in the AHPT. It also leaves many friends in Texas horseshoe pitching circles with a feeling of great loss,

It is with deep regret and sorrow that we inform you of the loss of two members of the Darke County Horseshoe Club. Frank Davis, a charter and lifetime member, passed away November 27, 1970. He was 80 years of age. Ed Lease, our club's oldest active pitcher, died suddenly while pitching during league night, on January 13, 1971. He was 71 years old.

We extend our belated sympathy to these member families and know they will be sadly missed by the members of Darke County Club.

Rademacher Top Winner In Miami, Fla. Benefit Tourney

John Rademacher of Plant City, Florida, overpowered all opponents to win the Fifth Annual Miami Open Tournament conducted for the benefit of the Variety Children's Hospital in Miami, Florida, February 20-21. For his efforts he was awarded a three-day expense-paid trip to the Bahamas. Bob Stowe of Missouri was runner-up, while Abe Austin of Illinois took third. Class B honors went to Oscar Gaudette of Florida by virtue of his play-off victory over A. G. Campbell. Tony Whittle of Miami was the man in charge of this annual ringer festival.

		CLA	SS A							
W	L	%	W	L	%					
John Rademacher, Fla 7	0	69.2	Wm. Keegan, Fla 3	4	58.1					
Bob Stowe, Mo 6	1	65.5	Paul Hoover, Fla 3	4	54.5					
Abe Austin, Ill 5	2	60.5	Paul Dumont, Mass 1	6	40.0					
Les Long, Ill 3	4	60.7	Seth McKenney, Fla 0	7	36.7					
CLASS B										
W	L	Pts.	W	L	Pts.					
Oscar Gaudette 4	1	257	A. G. Campbell 5	0	254					
Dick Weigel 4	1	242	H. Johnston 3	2	240					
Chester Wires 3	2	221	Harold Cheffer 3	2	224					
Jeff Hoover 2	- 3	200	Jim Campbell 3	2	217					
Phil Zozzaro 2	3	187	Clay Campbell 1	4	145					
Bud Starr 0	5	108	Craig Harrington 0							

FAIRBURY OPEN TOURNAMENT

JUNE 6 — FAIRBURY, NEBRASKA

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Von Der Lancken Requests Information For Hall of Fame **Election Committee**

Carl von der Lancken, chairman of the 1971 Hall of Fame Committee, will soon be in touch with committee members and then with Ralph Dykes, NHPA president, in regard to utilizing some plan to catch up with naming "old

timers" to the Hall of Fame.

While it is good to have the nomination ballots printed in the Digest, he would like more information from each person who writes him on why he feels a particular person ought to be in the Hall of Fame. Some biography, personal knowledge, and contribution to the game would be helpful for the record. None of us on the Hall of Fame Committee knew all the past greats. Send information to: Dr. Carl von der Lancken, 2 Manitou Trail, White

Plains, New York 10603.

Michigan Annual Water Wonderland — June 26-27

The Michigan annual Water Wonderland National Open will be held at Burr Oak, Michigan, located near the Indiana and Michigan state line. The tourney will be held June 26 & 27. The Championship division will be made up of the top 12 players, with \$100 cash prize for first place, \$40 for second, and \$20 for third place, plus trophies. Harold Anthony of Arcanum, Ohio, is defending champion.

The entry fee will be \$10 in the Championship division; all other men's classes will be \$5, and \$3 for the women. Entry fee must be in by June 13.

Mail entry fee along with ringer percentage to Richard Gyorkos, 22003 Koths St., Taylor, Michigan 48180.

Fairview, Mont. Club Hosts East Section Championships

The Fairview Club will host the East Section Championships for 1971. This will be a sanctioned tournament, therefore NHPA membership cards will be required for all entrants.

It would be advisable for all pitchers interested in qualifying for the State Tournament September 5 to have membership cards at the beginning of the season. This will insure having the cards for two qualifying tournaments.

Pitchers wishing to attend a tournament in the other Section should write their Section Secretary requesting their ringer percentage be sent to the tournament director. This method provides official ringer percentages, a requirement to qualify for the State Championships September 5. Please be sure to do this early enough to meet tournament entry deadline dates. West Section Secretary is Nat Clark, McLeod, Mont. East Section Secretary is Wm. Driver, 415 6 Ave. N. E., Sidney, Mont.

The following are the dates, places, and persons to contact for further information: June 6, Fort Peck, Mont., Thomas A. Wagner, Nashua, Mont.; June 13, Froid, Mont., Oliver Urdahl, Froid, Mont.; June 27, Plentywood, Mont., Lester Nielsen, Reserve, Mont.; July 18, Culbertson, Mont., Herman Jensen, Culbertson, Mont.; July 25, Fairview, Mont., Herb Coolidge, Fairview, Mont.; August 22, Sidney, Mont., Albert Dige, Rtc. 1 Box 186, Sidney, Mont.; September 5, Montana NHPA Championships, place undecided as yet.

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First Annual Piqua, Ohio Open — May 29-30-31

The first annual Piqua, Ohio Open Tournament will be held on the Eisenhower park courts in Piqua, Ohio, beginning May 29, 30 and 31. It will be a sanctioned tournament. Entry fee will be \$6.00. 100-shoe qualifying will start on Friday, May 28 at 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. and on Saturday, May 29 from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Classes A and B will have eight men each and will play on Monday, May 31. Other classes will have six men each and will start to play as soon as possible

after the qualifying round is finished.

There will be a trophy for first place in each class and also cash prizes.

Zelmar Zeroes In On Payoff, Captures No. Calif. Class A

Verdan Zelmar of the Santa Clara County Club, pitching consistently at San Jose's Ryland Park, emerged victor in the Northern California Class A Tourney with seven straight wins. Vince Mauricio made it a clean sweep for the host Santa Clara County club by corraling the Group II title with three straight victories. Herb Rushing of the Livermore Club was second.

Outdistanced by two games in the Championship group were Mel Ristau of Santa Rosa and Sam Jensen of Seaside. Ristau, pitching in his third year of NCHPA competition, had the high percentage game of 78.6, and placed second by percentage over Jensen, the 1970 No. California Class A champion. Zelmar started fast in six of his seven games, faltered briefly in the crucial game against Ristau, fell behind 13-20, spurted to a 41-26 lead, saw the lead shrink to two points, 41-39, as the Santa Rosa lefty closed in fast, then put the game out of reach with a furious finishing kick.

CHAMPIONSHIP — V. Zelmar, Santa Clara, 7-0-58.9; M. Ristau, Santa Rosa, 5-2-60.2; S. Jensen, Seaside, 5-2-54.3; F. Lavett, Seaside, 4-3-53.8; J. Seymour, Golden Gate, 3-4-56.1; A. Crabtree, Stanislaus, 3-4-52.2; J. Sadowski, Santa Clara, 1-6-46.0; H. Lucas, Sacramento, 0-7-44.0.

GROUP II - V. Mauricio, Santa Clara, 3-0-44.7; H. Rushing, Livermore, 2-1-39.9; L. Wilson, Santa Clara, 1-2-36.3; L. Fontaine, Santa Clara, 0-3-27.6.

Gonzales Breezes Thru Arroyo Viejo (No. Calif.) Open

Exuding confidence and spewing ringers with machine gun rapidity, Jesse Gonzales proved that confidence will win over all adversaries by averaging 82.3% to take the Arroyo Viejo (No. Calif.) Open championship trophy home to San Luis Obispo. The diminutive flip-flop artist was unstoppable in the championship group as he ousted defending champion, John Pratt of Sacramento in the no-qualifying tourney.

Bill McNally went undefeated to take the Group II title by virtue of a 114shoe 50-48 win over Verdan Zelmar of the Santa Clara County Club. Joe Sadowski and Vince Mauricio, also of the Santa Clara County club came in 1-2 in Group A. Herb Rushing won over Marvin Haaland of the Mosswood club to win Group B. Roy Hildebrandt, first year Mosswood club pitcher, won five straight in his baptismal to tourney competition, to hoist the Group C

title pennant. Ron Barnett, Livermore pitcher, was second.

The clay was excellent as was the superb lunch served by the gracious Arroyo Viejo club ladies. Tournament coordinator, "Big Luke" Braun, kept the action moving and the tourney results tabulated.

CHAMPIONSHIP GRO	UP	GROUP AA			
W	L	%	W L 9	70	
J. Gonzales, Seaside 5	0	82.3	B. McNally, Arroyo Viejo 5 0 64	1.6	
J. Pratt, Sacramento 4	1	67.6	V. Zelmar, Santa Clara 4 1 68	3.2	
L. Potter, Santa Clara 2	3	66.1	F. Lavett, Seaside 3 2 63	3.0	
M. Ristau, Santa Rosa 2	3	64.5	J. Seymour, Golden Gate 2 3 60	0.3	
M. Santos, Arroyo Viejo 1	4	65.1	M. Jones, Grass Valley 1 4 55	5.4	
D. Loucks, Santa Clara 1	4	65.0	N. Graves, Sacramento 0 5 51	1.7	

Gonzales Breezes — (Continued)

GROUP A — J. Sadowski, S. C. County, 5-0-51.8; V. Mauricio, S. C. County, 3-2-51.5; G. Chickenoff, Santa Rosa, 3-2-50.0; R. Bell, Arroyo Viejo, 2-3-50.0; E. Blanton, Mosswood, 1-4-50.3; B. Saathoff, Mosswood, 1-4-40.6.

GROUP B - H. Rushing, Livermore, 5-0-45.6; M. Haaland, Mosswood, 4-1-43.6; J. Larsen, Santa Rosa, 2-3-40.5; L. Gayet, Santa Rosa, 2-3-35.0; E. Kiser, Arroyo Viejo, 2-3-30.2; E. Holley, Mosswood, 0-5-13.3.

GROUP C — R. Hildebrandt, Mosswood, 5-0-33.9; R. Barnett, Livermore, 3-2-26.3; A. Powers, Livermore, 3-2-26.2; V. Rasmussen, Arroyo Viejo, 3-2-26.1; R. Collins, Santa Rosa, 1-4-18.2; H. Bell, Santa Rosa, 0-5-18.6.

Bob Galles Wins Ottumwa, Iowa Spring Open

The 1971 Ottumwa, Iowa, Spring Indoor Open was the largest indoor tournament ever held there. Pitchers from four states made up seven classes. Trophies were furnished by the local union of the John Deere Co. Bob Galles swept the Class A division with five straight wins and 72.5% ringer average.

CLASS A				CLASS B			
	W	L	%		W	L	%
Bob Galles, Ia	5	0	72.5	Norman Monroe, IaNeb.	4	1	57.6
Bill Vandegriff, Ia				Bob Bjorkgren, Ia	4	1	57.3
Harold Darnold, Ia				Phil Robertson, Ia	3	2	52.4
Ernie Danielson, Ia				Paul Jensen, Ill	2	3	53.9
Bill Burgess, Ia				Harold Paxton, Ia			
Ross Sornberger, Ill	0	5	58.7	Harold Shaw, Ia			

CLASS C — Madeleo Blake, Ia., 5-0-64.7; Jake Davis, Ia., 4-1-53.5; Bob Sproston, Ia., 3-2-41.6; Ed Weber, Ia., 2-3-48.8; Dean Carter, Ia., 1-4-41.0; Gene Hotz, Ia., 0-5-33.5.

CLASS D — Andy Jackson, Ia., 4-1-47.9; Don Frost, Ia., 3-2-43.1; Clint Neal, Ill., 3-2-48.8; Bob Porter, Ill., 3-2-45.5; Loren Kelley, Neb., 2-3-39.0; Arden Messer, Ia., 0-5-31.7.

CLASS E - Hubert Meister, Ia., 4-1-47.7; Frank Robinson, Ia., 4-1-44.6; Gene Catton, Ill., 4-1-45.7; Lloyd Austin, Ia., 2-3-43.8; Wilmer Rowley, Ia., 1-4-39.3; Pete Roe, Ia., 0-5-31.9.

CLASS F — Richard Rowley, Ia., 5-0-41.2; Leslie Plum, Ia., 3-2-36.8; Pearl Barker, Neb., 3-2-34.3; Gene Dunkin, Ia., 2-3-22.8; Dean Ring, Ill., 1-4-31.3; Ralph Crawford, Ia., 1-4-27.2.

CLASS G — Dave McCombs, Ia., 5-0-43.5; Chalmer McClain, Ill., 4-1-41.2; Fred Cain, Jr., Kan., 3-2-23.8; Hiram Halverson, Ia., 2-3-30.5; Joe Haley, Ia., 1-4-24.1; Larry Waddle, Ia., 0-5-18.3.

Marcus, Iowa Centennial Open — June 24, 25, 26

The Marcus Mets Horseshoe Club will hold a Centennial Open Round Robin Tournament on June 24, 25, 26 at the Marcus Fair Grounds, Marcus, Iowa.

The boys' tournament (aged 17 and under) will be held June 24. No entry

fee for boys but a 50-shoe qualifying score must be mailed in by June 15.

The men's tournament will be held June 25 and 26. Entry fee will be \$3 and 100-shoe qualifying score must be mailed in by June 15. All scores and entry fees should be mailed to Robert Galles, R.R. 1, Pierson, Iowa 51048. The first 32 qualifying entries only, in the men's division, will be accepted. All others will be returned. All players will be notified as to the day and time they play.

Trophies for the first two places in each class will be awarded and prize

money also.

Quincy, III. Open Tournament — June 6

The Quincy, Illinois Club will hold an open tournament at the Reservoir

Park courts in Quincy on Sunday, June 6.

Pitchers may qualify until 12 noon with round robin play starting soon afterward. Entry fee will be \$5 to \$3. There will be five classes with three trophies being awarded in each class.

On August 28, another open meet will be held on the same courts with all

the same conditions.

York Wins President's Open At Winston-Salem, N. C.

Gurney York of Harmony, N. C., won the Class A title of the first President's Open at Winston-Salem, N. C., Sunday, April 4, York had a 10-1 slate. Walt King, 9-3, of Asheboro placed second in a pitchoff against Donald Douglas of Statesville.

Les Brendle of Winston-Salem and Fletcher Dunlap of High Point were tied at 6-1 at the end of regulation play in Class B competition. Brendle defeated

Dunlap 50-19 to win the Class B championship.

In the Class C division, Robert Goforth of Statesville won with a 5-1 record

and Mack Butner of Winston-Salem placed second with a 4-2 record.

Prior to the tournament, new officers for the North Carolina Chapter were elected. Alfred Spencer of Asheboro is President, Guy Jones of Statesville is Vice President, Les Brendle of Winston-Salem is Secretary, and Burt Weeks of the Winston-Salem Recreation Department is Treasurer.

This will be an annual tournament honoring the outgoing President of the North Carolina Chapter. Twenty-six participants, all from North Carolina,

entered the tournament.

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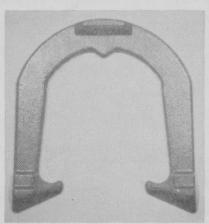
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June 5-6 Date For Colo. Springs, Colo., Open Tournament

On June 5 and 6 the Colorado Springs horseshoe club will host an open

tournament on their new 12-man courts in Memorial Park.

Two hundred dollars in cash and 22 trophies will be awarded. Entry fee of \$4.00 should be sent in by June 3 to Secretary Russell Neher, 809 W. Bijou, Colorado Springs, Colo. 80905.

OTHER COLORADO AREA TOURNAMENTS

June 5 - 6 - Colorado Spring Open, Memorial Park. All classes, plus junior's and women's. Entry fee, \$4.00. Deadline entry time and details, write to Russell Neher, 809 W. Bijou, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80905.

July 24 - 25 — Rocky Mountain Open, Pow Wow Park, Boulder, Colorado. 10 a.m. Saturday, through evening and Sunday about mid-afternoon. All classes, plus juniors and women. Entry fee, \$4.00, deadline entry time Thursday night, July 22. To Ted Allen, 1045 Linden Ave., Boulder, Colorado 80302.

Aug. 14 - 15 - Tri-State, only Nebraska -

Colorado - Wyoming, at Laramie, Wyoming. For information and details, write Harold Bindschadler, 520 So. 12th St., Laramie, Wyoming 82070.

Colorado State Fair Open. State fair-grounds, Pueblo, Cororado. For informa-tion and details, write Russell Neher, 809 Bijou, Cororado Springs, Colorado, 80905.

Sept. 5 - 6 - Colorado State Championship, Washington Park, Denver, Colorado. All classes, plus junior and women. Entry fee, \$4.00. Deadline entry time, Friday night, Sept. 3rd, to Ted Allen, 1045 Linden Ave., Boulder, Colorado 80302.

Knisley Wins Harry Henn Memorial, Dayton, Kentucky

Jim Knisley, Bremen, Ohio, won the Harry Henn Memorial Open held at Dayton, Kentucky, at the Day Bell Indoor Courts. Jim had a 7-0 record and averaged 73.9%. Harold Anthony, Arcanum, Ohio, was second with a 5-2 record and averaged 73.5%. Wilbur Kabel, New Madison, Ohio, was third with a 4-3 record and averaged 69.2%. Wilbur had the high game of the tournament with an 84.2 percentage.

Ed Metz, Cincinnati, Ohio, won Class B with a 6-1 record and averaged 60.8%. Bob Sheppard, Rushville, Indiana, was second with a 5-2 record and averaged 59.5%. Steve Reynolds, Newport, Kentucky, and Jack Wilson, Hamilton, Ohio, tied for first in Class C. The playoff found Steve coming out on top. Ted Harris, London, Ohio, and John Hankins, Hebron, Kentucky, tied for Class D, with Harris winner in the playoff

Class D. with Harris winner in the playoff.

This tournament proved to be the biggest yet at the Day Bell Indoor courts. As this was our final open tournament until fall, the Day Bell Association wishes to thank everyone for their cooperation and we hope to see a lot of new faces come fall.

CLASS A			CLASS B				
W	L	%	W	L	%		
J. Knisley, Ohio 7	7 0	73.9	E. Metz, Ohio 6	1	60.8		
H. Anthony, Ohio 5	5 2	73.5	B. Sheppard, Ind 5	2	59.5		
W. Kabel, Ohio 4	3	69.2	E. Waggoner, Ohio 4	3	57.7		
C. Young, Ohio 4	3	68.2	J. Witschger, Ohio 4	3	57.0		
J. Johnson, Ohio 4	1 3	66.9	O. Reno, Ohio 4	3	56.0		
S. Manker, Ohio 3	3 4	69.3	J. Napier, Ohio 3	4	55.9		
Wm. Henn, Ky 1	6	65.2	J. Noble, Ky 2	5	52.4		
S. Lovelace, Ky 0	7	62.2	E. Harrison, Ohio 0	7	49.6		

CLASS C — S. Reynolds, Ky., 4-1-52.3; J. Wilson, Ohio, 4-1-52.8; R. Shoopman, Ohio, 3-2-51.0; J. Morgan, Ind., 2-3-44.8; L. Goodwin, Ky., 2-3-37.6; E. Webb, Ky., 0-5-34.9.

CLASS D — T. Harris, Ohio, 4-1-56.1; J. Hankins, Ky., 4-1-50.9; G. Neff, Ohio, 3-2-50.9; R. Bennett, Ohio, 2-3-52.4; R. Detrick, Ohio, 1-4-46.3; W. Fender, Ohio, 1-4-41.8.

CLASS E — B. Martin, Ohio, 5-0-48.3; E. Meyer, Ind., 3-2-45.7; W. Henn, Ky., 3-2-45.3; N. Hageman, Ohio, 2-3-42.0; E. Sanders, Ky., 1-4-40.9; P. Coleman, Ky., 1-4-39.6.

Henn Memorial Open — (Continued)

CLASS F — K. Waggoner, Ohio, 5-0-44.3; D. Goetz, Ky., 3-2-41.2; C. Henn, Ky., 3-2-37.6; J. Hill, Ky., 2-3-40.9; R. Melling, Ohio, 2-3-39.0; J. McCombs, Ohio, 0-5-29.5.

CLASS G — G. Loy, Ind., 5-0-41.3; G. Mitchell, Ohio, 4-1-36.4; D. Larcom, Ohio, 3-2-35.0; D. Detrick, Ohio, 2-3-29.1; D. Christian, Ind., 1-4-26.4; L. Karstens, Ind., 0-5-7.9.

CLASS H — M. Gillespie, Ind., 4-1-36.9; O. Cross, Ohio, 4-1-44.1; R. McFarland, Ohio, 3-2-42.3; F. Jacobs, Ky., 3-2-38.5; J. Howell, Ohio, 1-4-21.2; J. Drury, Ohio, forfeit.

CLASS I — F. Thompson, Ky., 4-1-38.3; B. Snider, Ky., 4-1-36.4; V. Gregory, Ohio, 3-2-35.2; C. Sandfoss, Ky., 2-3-31.5; D. Webb, Ky., 1-4-37.8; J. Hughes, Ohio, 1-4-27.2.

CLASS J — B. Arnzen, Ky., 5-0-39.9; J. Whittington, Ohio, 4-1-39.4; H. Gabbard, Ky., 2-3-27.5; Jack Henn, Ky., 2-3-22.3; R. Melvin, Ohio, 1-4-17.1; Jeff Henn, Ky., 1-4-13.8.

LADIES CLASS A — K. Harrison, Ohio, 5-0-47.9; D. Gregory, Ohio, 4-1-38.6; Jenny Reno, Ohio, 2-3-35.4; D. Vance, Ohio, 2-3-29.9; A. Brown, Ohio, 2-3-29.1; Janet Reno, Ohio, 0-5-22.1.

Carson, North Dakota Open — June 26 - 27

The fifth annual Carson Open will be held on Saturday and Sunday, June 26 and 27 at Carson, North Dakota.

There will be three trophies in each class, plus a high ringer percentage

award. Also a traveling trophy.

The entry fee is \$5.00 and should be sent together with ringer average from two previous tournaments to Chester Danzeisen, Lark, North Dakota 58550.

Orange County (Fla.) Open — Old Fashioned Tourney

The Orange County Open Tournament held at Orlando, Florida, March 31 was just an old-fashioned get-together. Everyone kept their own scores and trophies were given to the winners in each class. In the boys' class, Dean Grable won all three games to take home a trophy. John Rademacher of Plant City won all his games to take Class A.

CLASS A — John Rademacher, Plant City, 5-0; Bob Stowe, Missouri, 3-2; John Clingan, Orlando, 3-2; Oscar Gaudette, New Smyrna Beach, 2-3; Levi Miller, Sarasota, 2-3; Earl Grable, Michigan, 0-5.

CLASS B — Les Hostetler, Sarasota, 4-0; Allen Clingan, Orlando, 3-1; Opal Corbett, Orlando, 2-2; Henry Mullet, Sarasota, 1-3; Geo. Kuhn, Orlando, 0-4.

CLASS C — Ralph Fisher, Orlando, 3-0; Geo. Rankin, Deland, 2-1; Joe Thonert, Plant City, 1-2; Jim Riser, Orlando, 0-3.

CLASS D — Ed Grove, Deland, 3-0; Wayne Warner, Plant City, 1-2; Barclay Webster, Orlando, 1-2; Ted Corbett, Orlando, 1-2.

CLASS D — Dean Grable, Michigan, 3-0; Johnny Rademacher, Plant City, 1-2; Philip King, Orlando, 1-2; Edward King, Orlando, 1-2.

Indiana Association Holds Annual Meeting

The 1971 Indiana State Horseshoe meeting was held March 14 at Lebanon, with approximately 60 members and families attending. The 1971 officers are: President, Robert Rambo, Jeffersonville; Secretary-Treasurer, Betty and Walter Wilhoite, Lebanon; Northern Vice-President, Curly Seibold, Huntington; Central Vice-President, William Rist, Kokomo; Southern Vice-President, Wayne Bright, Scottsburg.

Pidde Cops Fifth Classic In Genuine Winter Storm

Herb Pidde defeated all comers as well as the snowy, rainy, and windy conditions that prevailed, to win the top class of the 5th series of the Winetrout Winter Classic held at Woodland Park in Seattle, Washington, Sig

Pederson and Ellis West tied for second.

Thor Gadwa threw 72 per cent in the championship game against runnerup Bill Van Egdom to cap a perfect 5-0 record in Class B. Ole Vallen edged Mildred Kuhne and Jack Smith in Class C, losing only one game enroute to his first place finish. In Class D, Al "Potlicker" Oertel barely edged Bernie Green, Oliver Hartzell, and Vern Riel for first as he had a 4-1 record in comparison with a 3-2 record for the second place finishers.

First year player Al Frosch edged veteran Harry Wilkerson in the playoff game to garner honors in Class E. The youngster from Ellensburg, Jim Smith, took third with a 4-2 record. A flip of the coin decided who took first and second in Class F. Because of the terrible weather, Ken Bartlett won the

flip over Ray Pederson to decide the matter, his second straight win.

CLASS A		CLASS B			
W	L	%	W	L	%
Herb Pidde, Seattle 5	5 0	56.8	Thor Gadwa, Monte 5	0	54.0
Sig Pederson, Seattle 3	3 2	51.2	B. VanEgdom, Lynden 4	1	52.8
Ellis West, Seattle 3			Brad Pederson, Seattle 2	3	45.2
John Reedy, Edmonds 2	3	56.4	Mike Miller, Seattle 2	3	40.0
Fran. Winetrout, Lummi I. 2	3	472.	Don Woodman, Spokane 2	3	34.8
Jim Malvern, Seattle 0			Herb Godfrey, Aberdeen 0	5	38.0

CLASS C — Ole Vallen, Seattle, 4-1-34.8; Mildred Kuhne, Tacoma, 3-2-30.0; Jack Smith, Ellensburg, 3-2-29.2; Harry Glombicki, Tacoma, 2-3-34.8; Ed Bartlett, Everett, 2-3-31.2; Lorraine Woodman, Spokane, 1-4-23.6.

CLASS D — Al Oertel, Pt. Roberts, 4-1-28.8; Bernie Green, Seattle, 3-2-33.2; Oliver Hartzell, Both., 3-2-27.6; Vern Riel, Everett, 3-2-27.2; Earl Kuhne, Tacoma, 2-3-28.0; Bill Owens, Mt. Vernon, 0-5-20.4.

CLASS E — Al Frosch, Seattle, 6-1-36.0; Harry Wilkerson, Everett, 5-2-33.4; Jim Smith, Ellensburg, 4-2-33.0; Bob Brown, Seattle, 2-4-30.3; George Dooley, Seattle, 2-4-30.0; Wayne Chastain, Edmonds, 2-4-24.3; Dave Kuhn, Seattle, 1-5-28.3.

CLASS F — Ken Bartlett, Everett, 4-1-24.8; Ray Pederson, Seattle, 4-1-26.0; Joe Bartlett, Everett, 2-3-26.0; Em Marsh, Bellevue, 2-3-22.8; Sam Woodman, Spokane, 2-3-22.4; Debbie Woodman, Spokane, 1-4-18.8.

Santa Rosa Pitchers Dominate San Jose Class B and E

Santa Rosans George Greeott and Howard Puckett won two of the three group titles at San Jose's Ryland Park (No. Calif.) under extreme drippy, chilly, and windy conditions, as ringer percentages took a sharp nose dive. Rancher Greeott sloshed to five straight wins in the championship flight of Class B with Oscar Farmer of the newly-organized Stockton Club second.

Earl Blanton of the Mosswood club won four out of 5 games to take Group B. George Chickenoff was second. Action in Group I of Class E was inundated and finally submerged as Ryland Park's overhanging roof failed to protect

the west end of the 12-court rain-soaked arena.

Class E Group II pitchers wound up in a 4-way tie and due to the adverse conditions, the three-man tournament committee used ringer percentages to declare Howard Puckett the winner. Don Greely, new Santa Clara County

pitcher, waded into second position.

The new up-and-coming Stockton club had six entrants in the tourney with two getting washed out in Group I of Class E. The Santa Clara County club ladies had a warm, delicious lunch for all players. The host club is sure that the California dew has had its day and there will be nothing but sunshine and balmy breezes in San Jose from here on in!

Santa Rosa — (Continued)

CLASS B — GROUP B — G. Greeott, Santa Rosa, 5-0-41.7; O. Farmer, Stockton, 3-2-33.2; K. Ludlow, Santa Clara, 3-2-33.0; H. Rushing, Livermore, 2-3-34.2; B. Saathoff, Mosswood, 2-3-33.7; V. Mauricio, Santa Clara, 0-5-24.5.

GROUP B - 2 — E. Blanton, Mosswood, 4-1-36.1; G. Chickenoff, Santa Rosa, 3-2-39.2; L. Gayet, Santa Rosa, 3-2-29.0; L. Fontaine, Santa Clara, 3-2-27.0; O. Statham, Sacramento, 2-3-30.8; G. Palmer, Sacramento, 0-5-23.9.

CLASS E (GROUP II) — Group I rained out — H. Puckett, Santa Rosa, 3-2-14.2; D. Greely, Santa Clara, 3-2-13.1; L. Cagle, Stockton, 3-2-12.3; K. Greely, Santa Clara, 3-2-10.0; L. Parker, Stockton, 2-3-11.3; B. Sinor, Stockton, 1-4-10.7.

Eau Claire Open — June 19-20 — Eau Claire, Wisconsin

The Eau Claire, Wisconsin, Horseshoe Club will hold its 5th Annual Open Tournament Saturday and Sunday, June 19-20, at the Carson Park courts. Due to the large entry last year, we are adding four more classes; thus, 96 pitchers will play.

Qualifying will be on home courts. Entry fee of \$3 with 100-shoe qualifying score must be received no later than June 7. Entries should be sent to Curt Bestul, Tournament Chairman, 1412 Sherwin Ave., Eau Claire, Wis. 54701.

Entrants will be notified of class and time. A and B finalists will pay \$4; all others \$3. Joe Anzaldi, St. Paul, Minnesota, is the defending champion.

Cash awards — Class A, first four places. Trophies — Class B, first four

places; Classes C-E, first three places; Classes F-M, first two places.

Knisley Retains Snowball Open Title At Greenville, Ohio

Jim Knisley of Bremen, Ohio, once again was the winner of the annual "Snowball Open" Horseshoe Tournament sponsored by the Darke County Horseshoe Club and sanctioned by the Ohio State Buckeye Association. This sixth annual indoor tournament ran for three successive weekends, beginning February 6-7. A total of 58 entries from Kentucky, Indiana, and Ohio participated in 10 classes.

Knisley, defending champion for the third successive year and four of the five previous years, won five, lost 0. His ringer percentage for the tourna-

ment was 75.6 per cent. Harold Anthony, club member from Arcanum, Ohio, finished second again this year with 71.1 per cent.

Other participants in the Championship class finished as follows: Dick Carpenter, Union City, Ind., 70.4%; Stan Manker, Martinsville, Ohio, 62.2%; Glenn Riffle, Dayton, Ohio, 65.3%; Ed Metz, Cincinnati, Ohio, 64.5%.

CLASS A			CLASS B				
W	L	%	W L %				
J. Knisley, Ohio 5	0	75.6	L. Lenigar, Ohio 5 0 66.3				
H. Anthony, Ohio 3	2	71.1	K. Kugler, Ohio 3 2 62.9				
D. Carpenter, Ind 3	2	70.4	D. Wright, Ind 3 2 61.5				
S. Manker, Ohio 3	2	62.2	J. Pillion, Ohio 2 3 57.8				
G. Riffle, Ohio 1	4	65.3	B. Scholl, Ohio 1 4 53.1				
E. Metz, Ohio 0	5	64.5	J. Johnson, Ohio 1 4 52.3				

CLASS C — C. Young, Ohio, 3-0-67.3; E. Waggoner, Ohio, 2-1-62.0; J. Napier, Ohio, 1-2-53.0; F. Collins, Ohio, 0-3-53.7.

CLASS D — R. Whitsel, Ohio, 2-1-48.9; A. Davis, Ind., 2-1-50.0; G. Neff, Ohio, 2-1-49.5; P. Fleenor, Ohio, 0-3-45.8.

CLASS E — J. Wilson, Ohio, 4-0-52.0; J. Hankins, Ky., 3-1-38.1; N. Hageman, Ohio, 2-2-38.5; T. McEldowney, Ohio, 1-3-40.7; G. Mitchell, Ohio, 0-4-22.5; J. Witschger, Ohio, forfeit.

Snowball Open — (Continued)

CLASS F — W. Fender, Ohio, 3-2-48.5; V. Varvel, Ohio, 3-2-46.6; R. Futrell, Ohio, 3-2-50.7; B. Detrick, Ohio, 3-2-41.1; L. Bierly, Ohio, 2-3-46.3; J. Drury, Ohio, 1-4-40.4.

CLASS G — E. Harrison, Ohio, 5-0-55.3; G. Boehringer, Ohio, 4-1-47.5; B. Chappel, Ohio, 3-2-33.8; O. Cross, Ohio, 2-3-26.8; R. Haworth, 0-4-26.3; R. McFarland, forfeit.

CLASS H — D. Webb, Ky., 4-1-40.1; G. Loy, Ind., 3-2-36.3; L. Dearinger, Ind., 3-2-35.4; K. Wagonner, Ohio, 2-3-37.6; N. Allen, Ohio, 2-3-34.8; A. Ward, Ohio, 1-4-27.5.

CLASS I — W. Pitsenbarger, Ohio, 4-1-38.1; T. J. Cool, Ohio, 4-1-35.5; R. Melling, Ohio, 4-1-36.7; J. McCombs, Ohio, 2-3-35.6; D. Anthony, Ohio, 1-4-33.2; D. Hamilton, Ohio, 0-5-21.6.

CLASS J — M. Varvel, Ind., 3-0-27.2; H. Cole, Ohio, 2-1-27.7; D. Detrick, Ohio, 1-2-30.6; D. Dill, Ohio, 0-3-21.1; H. Varvel, forfeit.

Martz Nips Carson To Win March Red Mill Open

In one of the toughest fought tournaments ever held at the Red Mill Horse-shoe Club in Washington, Pennsylvania, Clyde Martz of Pittsburgh narrowly edged out Dale Carson of Baltimore to capture the March Red Mill Open Championship. Going into the final round of the round-robin play, it looked as though Martz had everything sewed up. Clyde hadn't lost a game and was cruising around the 80% mark, while Dale had lost to Oscar Engle and appeared to be tired and discouraged. Martz got off to a quick start, missing only four of the first 40 shoes and led Dale by a score of 31 to 10. Then Clyde, looking very confident, put his arms around Dale and apparently said something to spur on the gentleman from Baltimore. Because, from that time on, Dale only missed two more shoes and Clyde died on 34.

In the following playoff game, again Martz got off to a quick start throwing 38 ringers out of the first 40 shoes. But this time the lead was only 12 to 2. Dale had only missed four out of the first 40! At the end of the first 100 shoes, both players were well over the 80% mark with the score tied at 38 points. Dale finally missed a few ringers, and Martz squeaked out. Dale Carson showed, without a shadow of a doubt, that at the age of 67 he can still beat the champions that are 20, 30, and even 40 years his junior. Hats off to one of the longest top flight pitching careers the horseshoe world has known. Participation in the Red Mill event was at an all-time high. Players came

Participation in the Red Mill event was at an all-time high. Players came from all over Pennsylvania; Ohio also had five representatives. Congratulations to Ottie Reno of Waverly, Ohio; Vince Sedlack of New Kensington; Russ Welton of St. Marys; and Cliff Noland of Ostrander, Ohio. All of them went undefeated to win their respective classes.

CLASS A			CLASS B				
	W	L	%		W	L	%
Clyde Martz	4	1	78.5	Vince Sedlack	4	0	57.2
Dale Carson	4	1	74.1	John Ruskin			
Oscar Engle	3	2	73.9	Harold Clippinger			
Richard Maroni	3	2	72.9	John Fulton			
Al Booth	1	4	64.4	Ray Henry			
Jack Rainbow	0	5	64.7			1,500.11	

CLASS C — Ottie Reno, 4-0-56.0; Daniel Beshore, 3-1-51.2; Richard Jorden, 2-2-49.5; Clyde Falk, 1-3-41.2; Vaughn Owens, 0-4-35.4.

CLASS D — Russ Welton, 4-0-46.6; Pete Burkette, 3-1-50.4; Norman Haggeman, 2-2-43.8; John Clippinger, 1-3-43.8; Glen Mitchell, 0-4-38.4.

CLASS E — Cliff Noland, 4-0-32.9; Mike Roy, 3-1-42.6; Dave Welton, 2-2-29.6; Rich Parry, 1-3-32.3; Don Larcom, 0-4-31.9.

Ellis West Cops Sixth Winter Classic At Seattle, Wash.

Ellis West put it to John Reedy in the playoff game to capture top spot in the 6th series of the Winetrout Winter Classic. The Classic was highlighted by "Genuine" Lummi Island Clam Chowder through the courtesy again of Winnie. This is an annual once a year treat.

Class B honors were again taken home by Bill Van Egdom of Lyndan. Bill edged Paul Russell in the playoff. Jim Malvern, Sr. won a three-way playoff

over Herb Godfrey and Bob Tyrrell to win Class C.

Vern Riel of Everett won his first Classic by garnering the trophy in Class D over Jack Smith of Ellensburg. Colonel Oliver Hartzell went undefeated as

he won Class E over runnerup Ken Foss.

Newcomer Bob Brown of Seattle made his first season a pleasant one to win Class F. He defeated young Jim Smith, the youngster from Ellensburg, in the playoff. Another newcomer, Ray Pederson, defeated 11-year-old Joe Bartlett 18-17 in the final game to post a 5-0 record enroute to his victory.

CLASS A				CLASS B				
	W	L	%		W	L	%	
Ellis West	5	1	61.2	Bill Van Egdom	5	1	44.4	
John Reedy	4	2	68.8	Paul Russell	4	2	41.6	
Herb Pidde				Bob Lee	3	2	41.2	
Francis Winetrout	2	3	51.6	Ray Brumfield	2	3	41.2	
Sig Pederson				Mae McDaniel	2	3	37.6	
Bob Clark				Brad Pederson	0	5	25.6	

CLASS C — Jim Malvern, 7-2-45.8; Herb Godfrey, 5-3-52.5; Bob Tyrrell, 5-3-43.2; Harry Glombicki, 4-3-48.0; Ole Vallen, 3-4-48.8; Mike Miller, 3-4-46.5; Ed Bartlett, 3-4-39.7; Randy Card, 0-7-27.7.

CLASS D — Vern Riel, 5-1-35.6; Jack Smith, 4-2-41.3; Al Oertel, 3-2-36.4; Millie Kuhne, 2-3-42.0; Earl Kuhne, 2-3-36.8; Bernie Green, 0-5-28.8.

CLASS E — Oliver Hartzell, 5-0-32.8; Ken Foss, 3-2-28.8; Al Frosch, 2-3-24.4: Harry Wilkerson, 2-3-22.8; Harold Weedman, 1-4-26.0; Al Alexander, 1-4-23.2.

CLASS F — Bob Brown, 5-1-38.3; Jim Smith, 4-2-33.0; Bill Owens, 3-2-34.4; Gil Kroetsching, 2-3-34.4; George Dooley, 1-4-30.0; Ken Bartlett, 1-4-28.0.

CLASS G — Ray Pederson, 5-0-30.0; Joe Bartlett, 4-1-31.6; Myles Sursely, 2-3-22.0: Bob Brown-Kent, 2-3-17.6: Bill Milburn, 2-3-11.2: Gaylord Lund, 0-5-16.0.

Future World Tournament Bids

The 1973 World Tournament will be awarded during the NHPA Convention at the World Tournament next August in Middlesex, N. J.

The 1972 tournament has already been awarded to the Darke County Horse-

shoe Pitchers' Association of Greenville, O.

Any club or group desiring to place a bid for the 1973 or future World Tournaments should contact NHPA president Ralph Dykes for information and guidelines.

Already several inquiries have been made and responded to by the NHPA. Among these are the Miami Beach, Fla. convention committee of the Chamber of Commerce among whose members is Elliott Roosevelt, son of the former president of the United States, Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Another bonafide inquiry has been received from Burlington, Iowa, where

NHPA Secretary Bob Pence has arranged for a meeting with NHPA members of that area, the Chamber of Commerce, Park and Recreation Dept., and others in the city, through the efforts of Harold Darnold and Ernie Danielson.

Burlington, realizing that Eureka, Calif., has already indicated a strong bid for 1973, is planning to make their bid for 1974 in case they fail in 1973.

New Jersey State Vacation Brochures To Be Mailed **During Month Of May**

Through the efforts of the Middlesex Horseshoe Club, the Promotion Dept. of the New Jersey Department of Conservation and Economic Development, P.O. Box 1889, Trenton, N. J. 08625, will mail to NHPA members throughout the country and Canada vacation brochures and maps of the state of New Jersey to help them better plan their 1971 vacations.

The club supplied the state with approximately 2,500 names and addresses (Digest mailing list) and they expect to mail these brochures during the middle of May.

The state gave the assurance that they will mail these vacation kits to everyone that would care to have one, and anyone who has not received one can have one mailed to them just by sending their name and address to Mr. Frank R. O'Malley at the above address.

It is felt that the contents of this kit may be the deciding factor to some members who were "on the fence" as to whether or not to come to New Jersey for the 1971 World Tournament.

Tenth Annual Vanport, Pa. Warm-Up — May 22-23

The tenth annual Vanport Spring Warm-Up Tournament will be held at the Van Buren Park courts in Vanport, Pennsylvania on Saturday and Sunday, May 22 and 23, sponsored by the Van Buren Men's Club. Entry fee of \$5.00 with each entrant's name, address and pitching percentage should be sent to David Charron, Tournament Director, 79 A St., Van Buren Homes, Vanport, Beaver, Pennsylvania 15009.

The deadline to enter is May 15. Entrants will be notified by mail of their respective pitching times. A map is available upon request to persons not

knowing the location of the courts.

The following schedule will be used. If you can come only on a certain day, please indicate this on your entry and we will diligently try to place you. Scheduling will definitely be on a percentage basis. Those not scheduled will have their entry fee refunded.

Men's Class A — Sunday, May 23, at 1:30 p.m. (8 men).
Men's Classes B and C — Saturday, May 22 at 1:30 p.m. (6 men each).
Men's Classes D and E — Sunday, May 23, at 9:30 a.m. (6 men each).
Men's Classes F and G — Saturday, May 22, at 9:30 a.m. (6 men each).
Women's Classes A and B — Saturday, May 22 at 5:30 p.m. (no more than six women to a class, courts can be well lighted).

Three trophies will be awarded in the Men's 8-man Class A. All other clas-

ses will have two trophies per class.

The Van Buren Men's Club will sponsor another tournament on July 17-18. More information concerning that tournament will be in the June issue of the Digest. Refreshments are sold at all tournaments. All men and women are encouraged to enter.

Tulsa, Okla. Club To Hold "Oil Capitol Open"

The Tulsa club announces "The Oil Capitol Open" to be held in Tulsa, Oklahoma, at Central Park, 6th & Peoria, on May 15-16. Plans are for four classes, A, B, C and D.

Class C will start Saturday at 9 a.m.; Class B at 2 p.m., and Class D will begin at 9 a.m. Sunday if there are enough entries. Class A action will start at

1 p.m. Games in all classes will be 50 points.

Defending champion of 1970 will be David Baker. Entry fee of \$2.00 must be in the hands of Tournament Director Willis Bettis, 16 N. 35th W. Ave., Tulsa, Okla. 74127, by May 8, 1971. Rain date — the following weekend.

British Columbia Centennial and Intern'l May 22-23-24

The British Columbia Association will host the Centennial and International Horseshoe Pitching Championship to be held on the Central Park courts in

Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada.

Classes A, B and C will play on May 22 - 23. The Seniors, Juniors and Ladies will play on May 24. Entry Fee will be \$5.00 plus an extra \$5.00 for players in the top 36. Entry fee and 1970 percentage must accompany all entries and approved by Province or State Association. Send entries to British Columbia Horseshoe Pitcher's Association, 34 North Howard Avenue, Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada not later than May 8. Prize money totalling \$2,500 will be awarded.

Class A will consist of 3 groups of 12, each group to play round robin (11 games) each game to be determined by pitching (50) shoes, ringers, and points to count. First place winner to receive \$500. All others will receive cash prizes.

Top 4 players in each group will move into championship flight on a "cancellation and knockout" basis. After first game the six winners will move into semi-finals which will consist of 3 players, highest percentage of the 3 players will receive a bye into the final.

Classes B and C will consist of 16 players in each class, each class will have two groups of 8. Each group will play a round robin of 7 games (50 shoes). The top 2 players in each group will enter into the finals, (round robin of 3 games). Prizes for each class. First prize \$150.

Fourth Annual Oblong, Illinois Open — June 19

The Fourth Annual Oblong Open Tournament will be held Saturday, June

19 at Oblong, Illinois.

All players should send a qualifying score to Leo Schlosser, Oblong, Ill., as there will not be any qualifying on the courts. Players should all be on time at 9:30 a.m. as the tournament will start at 10 a.m. sharp, starting with

Classes C, D and F. Classes A, B and E will play at 1 p.m.

The entry fee will be \$4.00, payable at tournament time. Trophies will be awarded to the top three pitchers in all classes. All pitchers are welcome

Annual St. Joe Open — June 26 - 27

The annual St. Joe Open Tournament will be held June 26-27th at Noyes Field Courts, 28th and Edmond Streets in St. Joseph, Mo. In order to ease the tremendous schedule on Sunday, there will be a Saturday night session, June 26th, starting at 6 p.m. sharp. Four 6-man classes will take part in this session. Sunday morning sessions will start promptly at 9 a.m.

Send complete name, address, zip code number and ringer percentage, or ringer count of 200 shoes to Ray Cavin, 1824 Holman, St. Joseph, Mo. 64501, not later than June 20th. We must have your entry by this time. You will be

notified by mail (post card) as to what day, and time you will pitch.

A, B, and C classes will be 8-man groups, starting at 1 p.m. Sunday, with \$4.00 entry fee. All other classes will be 6-man groups, with \$3.00 entry fee. 36 trophies will be awarded.

Saturday and Sunday, September 11 and 12, we will hold the "Midland" Tournament on the same courts, under the same conditions as the "St. Joe Open."

Annual Columbus, Kansas Open Date Set For August 18

The Annual Columbus Open Tournament will be held during the Cherokee County Fair on August 18, on the six clay courts in the city park in Columbus, Kansas. For more information, write: C. L. Woodard, 238 East Pine, Columbus, Kansas 66725.

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An interesting horseshoe personality.

Helmer Jallen of North Dakota

Helmer Jallen, 723 North River Road, Fargo, North Dakota, 58102, operates a watch repair shop. Since his shop is in his home and his



home only about two long pitches from the Oak Grove courts in Fargo, it is not hard for Helmer to combine work with pleasure.

Helmer spends more time on the Fargo courts than any other single person and had no small hand in the 1967 World Tournament preparations. Helping to stage such an event was the thrill of a lifetime.

Jallen has been interested in watches since he was a boy and repaired them in spare time while he farmed. Then he took a watchmaking course by mail and set up shop in 1942. His wife Mary and one son, Gale, who manages the advanced electronics dept. of Con-

trol Data Corp., in St. Paul make up the family. Helmer is 66, pitches a 1 3/4 turn and averages 40% ringers. He and Mary are both very active in promoting the game. He has 14 trophies and is captain of the Sons of Norway team which won the Red River Valley League once. An NHPA member since 1961, he looks at horseshoe pitching as the perfect change of pace from his

There are a few dependables, men who seen to be there when needed, almost as though they were obligated to do so, come rain, cold, mosquitos or complaints. Helmer Jallen is one of these.

By Ottie W. Reno, Route 5 - Box 305, Lucasville, Ohio, 45648. Send him your story if you have an interesting occupation or an unusual horseshoe story. He will correspond with you.



View of Point Clear Holiday Camp Courts - East Essex, England

Indiana State Association Tournament Plans

The "no qualifying plan" of last year will be used again in 1971.

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 1970 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.

Anyone who feels their ringer percentage in past tournaments is too low may send in a 100 shoe qualifying score with their entry, and this will be used as long as it is higher than their previous tournament ringer percentage.

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.

EACH ENTRANT WILL BE NOTIFIED BY MAIL that his 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. LATE ENTRIES CANNOT AND WILL NOT BE AC-CEPTED. We will try to have a Junior Division in all tournaments. No entry

fee will be charged.

TWO OR MORE TROPHIES WILL BE AWARDED IN HIGH CLASS of each tourney. Cash awards will also be given in the State, Mid-West and

Indiana - Ohio.

A STATE - NATIONAL membership card will be required in all tournaments. Membership fee is \$3.00 and can be obtained at your first tourney or from Secretary, Betty Wilhoite, 120 North Allen Drive, Lebanon, Indiana 46052.

INDIANA TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

SEND ALL ENTRIES TO BETTY WIL-HOITE, 120 NORTH ALLEN DRIVE, LE-BANON, INDIANA 46052. Phone 482-5937 Area Code 317 - unless otherwise noted in schedule. Entries MUST be received by midnight on deadline date.

April 24 - 25 - Scottsburg Open at Scottsburg Fairgrounds. Indoor. Deadline, April 15. Entry fee \$4.25.

May 15 - 16 - Spring Open at New Albany,

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Floyd County Community Park. Deadline
May 6. Entry fee \$4.25.
May 15 - 16 — Boone County Open at 4-H
Fairgrounds, Lebanon. Deadline May 6.
Entry fee \$4.25. Cash Prizes 1st, 2nd, &

3rd places each class; no trophies. May 22 - 23 — Indiana-Illinois Open at Fairground, Cayuga. Deadline May 13. Entry fee \$4.25. First 72 players only.

May 29-30 — Ben Shores Memorial at Fairview Park, Anderson, Deadline May 20. Entry fee \$4.25. June 5-6 — Northwest Open at LaPorte.

Deadline May 27. Entry fee \$4.25. ne 5-6 — George Johnson Special at June 5 - 6 Garfield Park, Indianapolis. Deadline May

27. Entry fee \$4.25.

June 12-13 — Western Indiana at Dorner
Park, Frankfort. Deadline June 3. Entry

fee \$4.25.

June 19 - 20 - Earle Wilmore Memorial at Fairview Park, Anderson. Deadline June 10. Entry fee \$4.25.
June 26-27 — Eastern Indiana at Goodrich

Park, Winchester. Deadline June 17. Entry fee \$4.25.

July 3-4-5 — Boone County Open at 4-H Fairgrounds at Lebanon. Deadline June 24. Entry fee \$4.25.

July 10-11 — Clyde Green Memorial at Goodrich Park, Winchester. Deadline July 1. Entry fee \$6.25. Cash prizes and trophies.

July 17-18 — Midwest Ringer Open. Location to be announced at a later date. Deadline July 8. Entry fee \$6.25.

July 24 - 25 - Open date.

July 31-Aug. 10 — WORLD TOURNA-MENT AT MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY.

Aug. 14-15 — Southern Indiana at Fair-grounds in Franklin. Deadline August 5. Entry fee \$4.25.

Aug. 21 - 22 - Marion Open at Marion. Deadline August 12. Entry fee \$4.25.

Aug. 29 - Indiana Family Day at Fairview Park, Anderson. Left-handers, timers, Father and Son, Husband wife. Sign up at site of tournament.

Sept. 4-5-6 — Indiana State at New Albany. Floyd County Community Park. Deadline August 26. Entry fee \$6.00.

Sept. 11 - 12 — Indiana and Ohio Open at Heekin Park, Muncie??? Deadline Sep-tember 2. Entry fee \$6.25.

Sept. 18-19 — Autumn Open at New Albany. Floyd County Community Park. Deadline September 9. Entry fee \$4.25.

Oct. 2 - Scottsburg Open at Fairgrounds in Scottsburg. Indoor. Deadline September 23. Entry fee \$4.25.

COMING EVENTS

May 9 - Winston-Salem Open, Miller Park,

Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

May 15 - 16 — Henry Gilbo Open Tournament, Wright Park, Tacoma, Washington.

May 30 — Maine Round-up, Marcotte Park,

Lewiston, Maine (Rain date June 6).

May 29-30 — Seattle Memorial Tournament, Woodland Park, Seattle, Washing-

ton, May 29-30-31 — First Annual Piqua, Ohio Open tournament, Eisenhower Park courts, Piqua, Ohio.

June 5 - Quincy Open Tournament, Reser-

voir Park courts, Quincy, Illinois.

June 5 - 6 — Erie Spring Warm-up tournament, Erie Pennsylvania. Contact Joe Abbott, 5840 Peck Road, Erie, Pennsylvania 16510.

June 5-6 — Northwest (Ohio) District Tournament, Fairgrounds, Wauseon, Ohio. Sanctioned. Fee \$5.00, Deadline May 25.

1970 Average.

June 6 — Fairbury Open Tournament, Fair-bury, Nebraska. Qualification scores to be sent to Jacob Isaac, 1208 Third St., Fairbury, Nebraska 68352. Deadline May 29th. Tournament time 9 a.m.

June 6 - Columbia Basin Invitational Handicap Tournament, Peninsula Park,

Moses Lake, Washington.

June 12 — Annual Tremont Turkey Festival Open tournament, City Park courts, Tremont, Illinois.

June 12 - 13 — Lewis & Clark Open Tourna-ment, Vernon Park, Clarkston, Washing-

June 19 - North Carolina State,

Park, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. June 19 — Fourth Annual Oblong Open Tournament, Oblong, Illinois. Send qualifying scores to Leo Schlosser, Oblong, Illinois.

June 19-20 — Nevada State Open. To be held in Sparks, Nevada. Classes 1, 2, 3, 4, Ladies and Juniors.

June 19-20 - Hill City Invitational, Miller

Park courts, Lynchburg, Virginia. June 19-20 — 5th Annual Eau Claire Open, Carson Park Courts, Eau Claire, consin.

June 20 & 27 - Massachusetts Open, West Side Courts, Route No. 20, West Spring-

field, Mass. June 26-27 — Annual Michigan Water Wonderland Open Tournament, Burr Oak, Michigan.

June 26 - 27 - Tacoma Open Tournament, Wright Park, Tacoma, Washington. June 25 - 26 - 27 — Thresher's Open Tourna-

June 25 - 26 - 27—Thresher's Open Tournament, Fairgrounds, Wauseon, Ohio, Fee \$4.00, Deadline June 12. 1970 Average.
July 4 — Old Fashioned 4th July, Miller Park, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.
July 3 - 4 — Bremerton Open Tournament,
Evergreen Park, Bremerton, Washington.
July 10 — Albin Days Open, entry fee

\$2.00, Albin Courts, Albin, Wyoming. July 11 — Maine Open, Marcotte Park,

Lewiston, Maine.

July 12 -Winston-Salem Singles, Miller Park, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

July 17 — Medic Bow, Wyoming. - Medicine Bow Open, Medicine Bow, Wyoming July 17-18 -

dy 17-18 — John Monasmith Open Tournament, Elks Park, Yakima, Wash-Open ington. - Winston-Salem Doubles, Miller

July 19 — Winston-Salem Park, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

July 24-25 - Hill City Open, Miller Park courts, Lynchburg, Virginia.

August 21-25 - "Burning Leaves" Open, Miller Park courts, Lynchburg, Virginia.

August 7 - 8 - All-Coast Open Tournament, Vancouver, Washington.

Aug. 8-Southern Maine Invitational, Deering Oaks, Portland, Maine. (Rain Date, Aug. 15).

Aug. 8 — Western Mass. Invitational (Closed), West Side Courts, Route No. 20, Springfield, Mass.

8 - Eastern Mass. Invitational Aug. 8 — Eastern Mass. Invitationar (Closed), Greater Lowell Horseshoe Pitcher's Association, Westford, Mass. Aug. 14 — Fremont County Tournament, City Park, Riverton, Wyoming. Aug. 14 - 15 — Tri-State Tournament, Wash-

Aug. 14 - 15 — ITI-State Tournament, Washington Park, Laramie, Wyoming. Send \$4.00 entry fee to Harold Bindschadler, 520 South 12th St., Laramie, Wyoming 82070. Fee deadline Aug. 10.

Aug. 14 or 21 — High Point Open, High

Point, North Carolina.

Aug. 14-15 — Maine State Tournament, Marcotte Park, Lewiston, Maine. (Rain Aug. 14-15 — Maine State 1.

Marcotte Park, Lewiston, Maine. (Rain dates Aug. 21-22).

August 14-15 — Bellingham International Open Tournament, Cornwall Park, Bellingham, Washington.

Aug. 22 - Massachusetts State, Greater Lowell Horseshoe Pitcher's Association, Westford, Mass.

Depust 22 — Inland Empire Invitational,

August 22 Spokane, Washington.

 Aug. 28 — Quincy Fall Open Tournament.
 Reservoir Park courts, Quincy, Illinois.
 August 28-29 — Greater Seattle Open
 Tournament, Woodland Park, Seattle, Washington.

Aug. 28, 29 - Southeastern, Miller Park, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Sept. — Greensboro Open, Cone Recreation Park, Greensboro, North Carolina. Sept. — Statesville Open, Statesville, North

Carolina.

Sept. 4 — Satoma. To be held in Sparks on El Rancho Drive. Classes 1, 2, 3, 4, Ladies and Juniors.

Sept. 4-5 — Annual North Dakota State Tournament, Oak Grove Park Courts, Fargo, North Dakota. Sept. 5-6 — Wyoming State Tournament, City Park, Riverton, Wyoming. Entry fee

deadline Aug. 29. Sept. 4 - 5 - 6 — Washington State Tournament, Wright Park, Tacoma, Washington.

Sept. 18 - 19 -Annual Columbus Open Tournament, Whetstone Park courts, Columbus, Ohio. Classes A, B and C will pitch on Sept. 25 and 26.

Sept. 18-19 — Northwest Open Tournament, Elks Park, Yakima, Washington.
 September 4-5-6-7—Fulton County Fair

Open Tournament, Fairgrounds, Wauseon Ohio. Fee \$4.00, Deadline August 21, 1970 Average.

September 18-19 — Polar Bear Tourna-ment (Sanctioned), Fairgrounds, Wau-seon, Ohio. Fee \$5.00, Deadline Septem-ber 10. 1970 Average.

Sept. 18 & 19 — Nevada State. To be held at the Washoe Co. fairgrounds. Classes A, B, C, D, E, Ladies and Juniors. Oct. 9 — Dixie Classic, Fairgrounds, Win-

ston-Salem, North Carolina.

Coming Events — Continued

IOWA SCHEDULE

Spring Open. Entry deadline, 10:30 a. m.
Trophies, Cash prizes Entry fee.
May 9 — Creston, Iowa, McKinley Park.
Open. Mail score and \$3.50 entry fee by
May 7 to: Art Reed, 604 W. Mills, Creston, Iowa 50801.

May 16 — Ottumwa, Iowa, Riverside Park. Can qualify Saturday, p.m. May 15 or mail score with \$4.00 entry fee to Lu-cille Hopkins, 124 S. Cherry, Ottumwa, Iowa 52501. Family Camping and Outdoor Living Show Celebration. Sanctioned, must have 1971 NHPA card. Open to all. Tro-

phies: Men, Awards: Ladies and Juniors. May 23 — Des Moines, Iowa, Birdland Park, IHHPA members, Men, Juniors, Ladies if enough. Can qualify Saturday p. m. Birdenough. Can qualify Saturday p. m. Birdland Park or mail score to Harry Savage, 902 Clinton, Des Moines, Iowa 50313 by May 21. Entry fee, \$4.00. Sanctioned. May 30 — Oceola, Iowa, Eastside Park, Highway 34 East. Mail score to Maurice Clark, Rt. 2, Box 220, Osceola, Iowa 50213. Open, Entry fee \$3.00. Sanctioned. Open, N H P A members upper classes. Qualify till 11:30 a.m. Trophies each class. Entry fee \$3.50.

June 13 — Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Ellis Park.

class. Entry Iee \$3.50.
June 13 — Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Ellis Park,
Iowa, Open to all. Sanctioned, NHPA
card required. Qualifying till 10 a. m.
Send score to Walter Krapfi, 1012 Eastern Drive, S. E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa. En-

ern Drive, S. E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Entry fee \$4.00.
June 20 — Dyersville, Iowa, Candy Cane
Park, Iowa pitchers. Qualify till noon.
\$1.00 qualifying fee and \$2.50 entry fee.
Mail score to Walt Wedewer, 1418-1st
Ave. East, Dyersville, Iowa 52040.
June 27 — South Muscatine, Iowa, KentStein Park. Qualify 8:30-11:30 a.m. Entry fee, \$3.50. Open, Iowa-Illinois.
July 4 — New Sharon, Iowa Prairie, Knolle

lly 4 — New Sharon, Iowa Prairie Knolls. Open. Entry fee \$3.50. Send score to Leonard Williams, New Sharon, Iowa, 50207. Trophies or cash for all classes. July 4 -Food available on grounds.

July 5 — Atkins, Iowa, Iowa pitchers. Qualify till noon. Entry fee, \$2.50.

July 11 - Columbus Junction, City Park, Open. Further details later in News Digest.

Burlington, Iowa, Crapo Park, July 18 - Iowa Open, Des Moines, Birdland Park. Open to all. Sanctioned. Can qualify Saturday p.m. Birdland Park or mail score to: Harry Savage, 902 Clinton, Des Moines, Iowa 50313 by July 15. Entry fee, \$4.00. July 26-27

Red Oak, Iowa. Outdoor State Tournament (\$500.00), near Legion Park, south of highway 34 to Red Oak town. Details similar to Indoor State Tournament at Iowa State Fair, Des

Moines, Iowa.

- Burlington, Iowa Corn Belt Aug. 1 Tournament, Crapo Park, see News Di-

gest.

ug. 5 — Osceola, Iowa, Clarke County Fairgrounds. Open, Entry fee, \$3.00. Send score to Maurice Clark, Rt. 2, Box 220, Aug. 5 -Osceola, Iowa 50213 now. Trophies in all classes. Aug. 8 — Davenport, Iowa, Mississippi

Valley Fair Tournament, watch News Di-

gest.

Aug. 12 — Afton, Iowa County Fair at Fairgrounds, Open. Qualify to 11:30 a.m. Trophies each class. Entry fee, \$3.50. Aug. 27-28 — Farmers and Ladies, Junior

Boys, Iowa State Fairgrounds, Des Moines,

Aug. 29 — Iowa State Indoor Tournament, Iowa State Fairgrounds, Des Moines, Iowa. Sept. 5 — Ottumwa, Iowa, Riverside Park. Open. Labor Day Week-end Celebration. Qualify Saturday p. m. or mail score to: Lucille Hopkins, 124 S. Cherry, Ottumwa, Iowa 52501 by Sept 3. Entry fee \$4.00. Sept. 6 — Anita, Iowa, Iowa pitchers, Men.

 Sept. 6 — Anita, Iowa, Iowa pitchers, Men, and Junior Boys qualify previously or mail score to: W. W. Uhlig, Anita, Iowa 50020. Entry fee \$3.50 - men. Contact Merle Robison, Anita, Iowa 50020.
 Sept. 6 — Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Ellis Park, Iowa, Open. Qualifying till 10 a. m. Sanctioned. Must have NHPA card. Mail score to Walter Krapfl, 1012 Eastern Drive, S. F. Cedar, Rapids 10wa 52411. Entry S. E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52401, Entry fee \$4.00.

Sept. 11 - 18 - Spencer, Iowa Fair, details

Sept. 11-18 — Spencer, lowa Fair, details in News Digest later. Sept. 19 — Afton, Iowa, Open, County Fair-grounds, Mail score with \$3.50 entry fee, to: Bernard Ricker, Afton, Iowa 50830.

PENNSYLVANIA SCHEDULE

May 22, 23 — Vanport Spring Warmup, Vanport, Pa. Contact David Charron, 79 A Street, Van Buren Homes, Beaver, Pa.

June 12, 13 — New Castle Spring Fling, Newcastle, Pa. Contact H. Clair Bruce, 119 Clen-Moore Blvd., New Castle, Pa. 16105.

June 19, 20 - Eastern National Tournament at Erie, Pa. Contact Joe Abbott, 5840 Peck

Road, Erie, Pa. 16510. June 26, 27 — Dormont Open at Pittsburgh, Pa. Contact Mike Riedl, 2631 Broadway Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15216.

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July 10, 11 — Northwest Pa. Invitational
at Glenwood Park, Erie, Pa. Contact Joe
Abbott, 5840 Peck Road, Erie, Pa. 16510.
July 17, 18 — Van Buren Open at Vanport,
Pa. Contact David Charron, 79 A St., Van
Buren Homes, Beaver, Pa. 15009.
July 24, 25 — Pennsylvania Open at New

Cumberland, Pa. Contact Daniel Beshore, RD No. 1, New Cumberland, Pa. 17070. Aug. 21, 22 — Lawrence County Open at New Castle, Pa. Contact H. Clair Bruce, 119 Clen-Moore Blvd., New Castle, Pa. 16105.

Aug. 28, 29 — Erie County Tournament, Glenwood Park, Erie, Pa. Contact Joe Ab-bott, Erie, Pa. 16510.

Lawrence County Tournament, New Castle, Pa. Contact H. Clair Bruce, 119 Clen-Moore Blvd., New Castle, Pa. 16105. Beaver County Tournament.

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Sept. 4, 5, 6 — Pennsylvania State Tourna-ment at New Castle, Pa. Contact H. Clair Bruce, 119 Clen-Moore Blvd., New Castle, Pa. 16105.

Sept. 25, 26 — Fall Ringer Roundup at New Castle, Pa. Contact H. Clair Bruce, 119 Clen-Moore Blvd., New Castle, Pa. 16105.

Coming Events — Continued

OREGON TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

May 1 — Laurelhurst Open, Laurelhurst Park, Portland, Oregon.

May 15 - Riley Memorial, Shute Park, Hillsboro, Oregon.

June 5 - Lebanon Strawberry Festival, River Park, Lebanon, Oregon.

June 12 - 13 - Portland Rose Festival Open, Laurelhurst Park, Portland, Oregon. Mail \$2.00 registration fee in advance to Barry Chapelle 2716 SE 61st Ave. Portland, Oregon 97206.

June 20 - Father's Day Tournament, Bush

Pasture Park, Salem, Oregon.

July 3 — Hillsboro Happy Days, Shute
Park, Hillsboro, Oregon.

July 11 — Corvallis Open, Avery Park,

Corvallis, Oregon.

- Vernonia Friendship Jamboree, July 17 Park, Vernonia, Oregon. City

July 31 & Aug. 1 - LaGrande Open, River-

July 31 & Aug. 1 — Latrande Open, Riverside Park, LaGrande, Oregon.
Aug. 14-15 — Southern Oregon Open,
Douglas County Fairgrounds, Roseburg,
Oregon, Classes A, B, and C Sunday, all
others Saturday.

Aug. 21 - State Doubles Championship, Polk County Fairgrounds, Rickreall, Oregon. Residents only.

Aug. 28 - Washington County Open, Shute

Park, Hillsboro, Öregon. Sept. 4 & 5 — Oregon State Tournament, River Park, Lebanon, Oregon. Residents

Sept 12 - Corvallis Team Doubles, Avery Park, Corvallis, Oregon.

NORTH DAKOTA SCHEDULE

June 5-6 — Hannaford Open, Hannaford, N. D. Milford Gronneberg, Hannaford, N. D., Manager.

June 12-13—Kindred Open, Kindred, N. D. Floyd Lund, Kindred, N. D., Manager, June 20 — Hebron Open, Hebron N. D. Norbert Underdahl, Hebron N. D., Man-

ager'

ager.
June 27 - 28 — Carson Open, Carson, N. D.
Chester Danzeisen, Lark, N. D., Manager.
July 3 - 4 — Red River Valley Open, Oak
Grove Park, Fargo, N. D. Parker Kvebak,
1802 4th St., No. Fargo, N. D., Manager.
July 17 - 18 — Sheldon Open, Sheldon, N. D.
Leo Bratland, Sheldon, N. D., Manager.

July 17-18 — Bismarck Open, Bismarck, N. D. Andrew Schroedl, 1419 16th St., Bismarck, N. D., Manager.

July 17-18 - Minot Open, Minot, N. D. Ken Newman, 422 10th Ave. S. W., Minot, N. D., Manager.

Sept. 4 - 5 - North Dakota State, Oak Grove Park, Fargo, North Dakota.

Sept. 6 — Sargent County Open, Forman, N. D., Harvey Peterson, Forman, N. D., Manager.

Hebron Open, Hebron, N. Sept. 6 -Norbert Underdahl, Hebron, N. D., Manager.

NEW JERSEY TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

May 2 — New Jersey Junior AAU, Closed, Branch Brook Park, Newark, New Jersey. May 16 — Lois Kolb Memorial Open, Mountain View Park, Middlesex, New Jer-

sey. - Mid-Atlantic Open, Mountain

View Park, Middlesex, New Jersey. June 13 — John Rosselet Memorial Open, Warinanco Park, Elizabeth, New Jersey,
June 27 — New Jersey AAU Open, Mountain View Park, Middlesex, New Jersey,
July 11 — Essex County Anniversary,

Closed, Branch Brook Park, Newark, New Jersey.

July 25 — New Jersey Open, Mountain View Park, Middlesex, New Jersey.

August 14 - Middlesex Open, Mountain

View Park, Middlesex, New Jersey.

August 21 — New Jersey Senior AAU,
Closed, Mountain View Park, Middlesex, New Jersey.

August 21 — New Jersey Junior Champion-ship, Closed, Mountain View Park, Mid-dlesex, New Jersey.

dlesex, New Jersey.

September 4 — Essex County Open, Branch
Brook Park, Newark, New Jersey.

September 6 — New Jersey Singles Championship, Closed, Mountain View Park,
Middlesex, New Jersey.

September 18 — New Jersey Doubles Championship, Closed, Mountain View Park,
Middlesex, New Jersey.

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NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SCHEDULE

May 2 — Class A - Sacramento. May 8 — (Saturday) Open - Mosswood. May 9 — (Sunday) Class C, Women's, Juniors - San Jose.

May 16 — Class B - Modesto,
May 16 — Open (no qualifying) - Arroyo
Viejo.

May 23 - Class D - Livermore.

May 23 — Class A - Grass Valley. May 30 — Open (Golden Gate Classic) -

San Francisco.

June 6 — Class C - Seaside.

June 13 — Class B - Los Gatos.

June 13 — Class E - Livermore.

June 20 — Class D - Vallejo.

June 20 - Class A (no qualifying) - San

Jose.

June 26-27 - Open (Gold Country) - Grass Valley.

July 5 -- (Monday) Open - Livermore.

July 11 — Class B - Mosswood. July 18 — Open (Sonoma County Fair) -Santa Rosa.

July 25 - Class C - Vallejo.

July 25 - Class A and D (no qualifying) -San Jose. July 31 thru August 10 - World Tourna-

ment - (New Jersey).
August 1 — Class B - Seaside.
August 7 — (Saturday) Open (Saturday) Open (Stanislaus County Fair) - Turlock.

August 8 - (Sunday) Class C and E - San Jose.

August 15 — Class A - Santa Rosa. August 22 — Class E - Livermore. August 29 — Open - Los Gatos. August 29 — Open - Grass Valley Fair.

September 5-6 — California State (Men's B, C) Women's, Jr. Girls, Jr. Boys - Eureka.

September 12 - Class C -Golden Gate.

September 12 — Class A - Modesto.
September 19 — Class B - Arroyo Viejo.
September 19 — Class E - Mosswood.
September 26 — Class D - Livermore.

- NCHPA Class A Champion-October 3 ship - Arroyo Viejo.

October 10 - NCHPA Class AA Championship - Sacramento. October 10 — NCHPA Class E Champion-

ship - Livermore.

October 16 — (Saturday) NCHPA Char pionship Women, Jr. Girls, Jr. Boys Santa Rosa. October 17 (Sunday) NCHPA Class B Cham-

pionship - Santa Rosa.

October 24 — NCHPA Class C Championship - Seaside.

October 31 — NCHPA Class D Championship - San Jose.

November 7 - Open (no qualifying) Arroyo

Viejo.

November 14 — Class D - Livermore. November 21 — Turkey Shoot Open qualifying) - San Jose (Unofficial NCHPA

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SCHEDULE

May 2 - San Bernardino F Open, San Bernardino.

May 16 -- San Diego E & C Open, San Diego.

May 23 - South Gate D & G Open, South Gate.

May 29-30 - Baldwin Park \$500 Handicap, Baldwin Park, 1st place \$250.00; 2nd place \$125.00; 3rd place \$75.00; 4th place \$50.00.

June 6 - Lowell Gray Open, Pomona.

June 12 - San Bernardino Doubles, San Bernardino.

June 13 - Class A & H Open, South Gate. June 19 - 20 - Senior Sports International, South Gate.

June 26 - Fernando Isais Open & Boys, South Gate.

June 27 — Baldwin Park E Open, Baldwin

July 3 - Semana Nautica B, Santa Barbara. July 4 - Semana Nautica AA, Santa Barbara.

July 11 - South Gate B & H Open, South Gate.

July 17 - 18 - Elmer Beller Open, \$700.00, South Gate.

July 25 -- San Diego C and E Open, San Diego.

Aug. 8 - Al Rogers Doubles, South Gate.

Aug. 22 - Baldwin Park D Open, Baldwin Park.

Aug. 29 - San Bernardino A Open, San Bernardino.

Ringer Round Up Handicap Sept. 4-5 -Open, South Gate, no qualifying. All members attending can play.

Sept. 5-6 - California State Championship, Eureka, California.

Sept. 12 — Championship B & F, South Gate. Sept. 18 — San Diego D & F Open, San Diego.

Sept. 19 - San Diego AA & C Open, San Diego.

Sept. 26—Championship A & G, South Gate. Oct. 2-3—Yucca Valley Open, \$750.00, Yucca Valley, California. Oct. 10 — Championship C, Baldwin Park.

Oct. 17 -Championship AA & E, South Gate.

Oct. 23 - Championship H & Womens &

Boys, South Gate. Oct. 24 — Championship D, Pomona. Oct. 31 — Gunnar Hansen A Open, Baldwin Park.

Sam Haigh C Open, San Bernardino. Nov. 14 - John Gordon Open & 60 Years,

South Gate. Nov. 21 - Championship - Doubles, South Gate.

Jan. 16, 1972 — Annual Meeting, Baldwin Park at 1:00 p. m.

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AUTHORS' CORNER

By Bob Baker of New York

The Great County Match

When you're crowning the next world's champ in New Jersey, just in case he thinks he's got it made, you might remind him that old Doc Peavy is still around. Tell your champ that some day someone might convince Doc to take up shoes again. If he does your champ is in for trouble.

Doc is the sole survivor of what is known hereabouts as the "Great County Match of '68." The other pitcher was, of course, Art Cardson — and I guess you know who Art Cardson was. He was one of those "Legends in his own time."

In case you have forgotten, the great county match took place on the Fourth of July — at least that is when it started. It was a grudge match between the east and the west clubs, Art being head of the west and Doc being head of the east.

Naturally neither Doc nor Art would have ever thought of invading the other's territory. As Art once said, "Well, he said, "Let Doc have his part and I'll have mine."

That's the way it was for as long back as any of us can remember. But some of the modern boys aren't as big-minded as Doc and Art were, and they wanted to see a match between the two to decide who ruled the roost. They all got together with a little beer one afternoon and before you know it they have arranged a match between the two with the loser to donate two days labor to charity — the charity being to fix up the winner's home courts.

We all agreed to it. The problem was how to make the great men agree to it too. We finally convinced them that the whole thing was for the benefit of the clubs and the glory of the county, and that if we made any money we would buy new stakes for the pits.

Doc said "yes" first because Doc pitched a high shoe and burr bothered him a mite. Art said he'd go along if Doc would.

As I said, the match began on July Fourth. We had expected it would be over in a couple of days and would provide a good attraction for the folks during the weekend.

But we figured it wrong. The first day nobody got any points at all. Nobody missed. After the third straight scoreless afternoon, a bunch of us got together and we asked them right out to pitch in the mornings as well as afternoon because we all had jobs we were absent from and we wanted to get it over. Later we asked them to pitch the game in the evenings too, because we figured the more tired they got, the more liable they were to miss.

After the 3546th consecutive 4-dead it happened. Doc's high one caught the burr on the top of the stake and flipped off. Three of our boys got sick on the spot, one of the wives fainted and Leadbelly Johnson spilled beer on the scoresheets and we lost the ringer count.

On the seventh day Art missed one when a bee stung him on the backswing and the match evened up for the second week at 3 and 3. Throughout that week the boys were dropping like flies — but how can you stop a match like that? The game became like a Chinese torture where they drop drops of water on you one after the other. Klunk-klunk, kluck-kluck! All day. One day after the other.

But a man just can't go to greats like Doc and Art and tell 'em — "I don't care whether you win or lose, just finish it!" It wouldn't have done any good. They'd have just Klunk-kluncked some more.

During the next days the pitchers missed more and more often. Doc missed three, and Art missed two in just one day, until at the end of the 21st day the score stood at 48 apiece.

The Author's Corner — (Continued)

There was no sound throughout the county. Not even the birds sang. The crickets stopped. Traffic stood backed up for seven and one-half miles, the drivers just turned the motors off and followed the Klunk-klunk to where

the mighty strove.

At 4:33 p.m. it happened. Art klunk-klunked, and Doc put one on top and let loose the other. It headed for the stake, arms outstretched like a soldier coming home. It hit full and square around the stake but then — I can't explain it but it looked almost as if the shoe itself had had enough. It just folded into a ball and dribbled away from the stake, lay down and died.

And there it was — over. 51-48 and Art Cardson the undisputed champ.

They shook hands and left. Neither one said a word.

Old Art died a year or so later and some people said it was the match that did it, and others said it was just because the great champion was old, and a little beyond his prime.

The passing of Art struck Doc rather heavy. He laid down his shoes and said he wouldn't care to pitch any more. Who was there, he asked, to pitch

against. I guess he had a point there.

But when the boys got together yesterday, the match came up for conversation, and Johnson asked Doc, if he regretted giving up the game. He started razzing old Doc about this champion of yours, Kuchinski, and how he reckoned

that Doc would never make the grade against him.

Doc's eyes began to light up a little, and he allowed that he might be tempted. Of course he was assuming that Kuchinski would come to the East County courts, like any other challenger. We almost had him ready to go, when Bigmouth Johnson had to mention something about world tournaments going for about 80-90%.

The light went out again in Doc's eyes. "Well, give him a few more years and then maybe we'll see." We have pleaded with Doc, we have told him that one bad game against Cardson shouldn't be so important. But we failed to

change him. The chances are that Doc will not pitch again.

However, just in case your Kuchinski, your Elmer Hohl, Curt Day and the rest think they're home free, there's some other boys around here — not in Doc's class, of course, who cry real tears if they shoot as low as 90%. Maybe one of them will get to your tournament - if we don't catch him first.

We want our man to be Doc, and we'll be ashamed of the fella who forgets his place and pitches outside the county. But on the other hand we'd sort of like a trophy to put on the bench, so we wouldn't feel too bad too long.

Fargo, N. D. Club & Moorhead, Minn. Club Elect Officers

Parker Kvebak has been named president of the Fargo League and Harry Fillafer was elected president of the Moorhead Division of the Red River Valley Horseshoe Association for 1971.

Separate league officers have been named to conduct league and tournament play. Wes Myhre of Fargo was president of the association for the past two years.

Other Fargo officers are Arland Workin, vice president; Harold Hoff, recording secretary; Dennis Adamson, treasurer and Don Bennett, statistical

secretary. Jim Kersting and Jerry Black were named to the board of directors.

Moorhead officers include Ron Stone, vice president; Delyle Ishaug, treasurer and recording secretary and Palmer Melbye, Erling Erickson and John Dahl, directors.

Myhre said a record number of league players participated in area tournaments during the past season. More than 90 tossers played in the two leagues. The association plans to conduct the Red River Valley Open and Allard Open tournaments next season.

Teamsters number 2 of Fargo won the Moorhead League title and Ulteig Engineering captured the Fargo League title during the past season.

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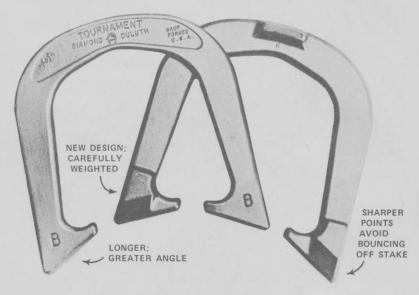
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