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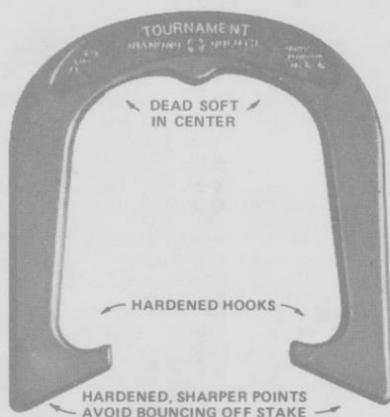
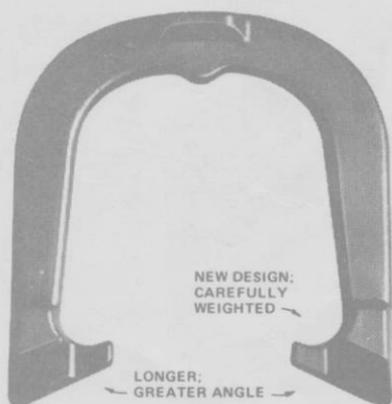
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NHPA President's Message

In 1973 Jim Solomon, of Solomon Accounting Service in Uniontown, Pa., audited the NHPA books for the year commencing July 1971 thru July 1972. At the convention in Eureka a detailed analysis, along with recommended changes and constructive criticism were read to the delegates.

The following represent recommended changes for the betterment of the Association that this audit has brought to light.

The subscription price of the Digest should be increased to \$10.00 per year.

The membership dues should be increased to \$3.00 per year.

Membership requirements should be changed to require that all dues paying members must also subscribe to the Digest. In order to eliminate duplications within one household, only one membership should be required per address.

A physical inventory by item and cost price should be submitted to the secretary at June 30, and December 31 along with a complete resume of sales by item and amount received. All persons entrusted with Association inventories should submit this resume. Also all persons having inventory should be bonded.

A set of records should be established and maintained by the secretary that will reflect the following information.

- a. All monies received completely classified by name and amount
- b. All monies paid out completely classified by name and amount
- c. All dues by name, address, amount and expiration date
- d. All subscriptions by name, address, amount and expiration date
- e. All inventories owned by the Association by item, amount and location

Manufacturers of horseshoes who are sanctioned by the Association should be required to pay a yearly sanction fee to the Association as a sum to be established by the committee in charge.

Advertising rates in the Digest should be analyzed and appropriate increases should be instituted.

All state secretaries should be advised of a definite date when all information and monies must be submitted to National and should be advised to comply.

Some provision should be adopted by the committee to provide for an annual independent audit since we now have one established.

The system of recording all monies received is very incomplete. There is no way to segregate dues received as to expiration date nor subscriptions received as to expiration date.

There is no system in effect to control the inventories of the Association that is scattered thru-out the United States. Unquote.

I am happy to announce several items have already been accomplished. The others have merit and your Executive Council is working on them.

Your Executive Council is on schedule for the 1974 World Tournament and we are planning to have it. So make your plans.

Sincerely,

Wally Shipley

Stella, Cindy, Deadeye Win Division Titles In Women's, Jr. Girls, And Jr. Boys Championships (No. Calif.)

Stella Gates won a tough play-off game 50-42 over 1972 No. Calif. Women's champ, Marisela Mauricio to wrest the title from her. Marisela had the best percentage for the 7 games of 52% and Stella posted the high percentage game of 63%. Cindy Williams edged her sister Barbara in the final game of the Jr. Girls division to remain undefeated in 3 games and Walter Ray (Deadeye) Williams prevailed in a roaring 168-shoe marathon over brother Jeff to retain his No. Calif. Jr. Boys championship. Deadeye averaged 86% for the five games and pitched a sparkling 91.4% game. David Cagle of the host Stockton club won a play-off over Jonathan Williams 32-30 to take the Jr. Boys consolation honors. There were seven members of the Williams family representing the R.E.H.P.C. in this the 46th tournament of the year in the Northern California Association.

WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP — Stella Gates, Seaside 7-1-47.3; Marisela Mauricio, San Jose 6-2-52.0; Esther Williams, R.E.H.P.C. 5-2-40.5; Lucie Hanlon, Sonoma Co. 5-2-39.1; Barbara Hickok, Stockton 3-4-31.2; Anne Cayet, Sonoma Co. 2-5-30.7; Ruth Williamson, Stockton 1-6-17.1; Pacer (Bud Lathe), Sacramento.

JR. GIRL'S CHAMPIONSHIP — Cindy Williams, R.E.H.P.C. 3-0-20.0; Barbara Williams, R.E.H.P.C., 2-1-13.7; Rebecca Coleman, Stockton 1-2-15.8; Christina Mauricio, San Jose 0-3-6.1.

JR. BOY'S CHAMPIONSHIP GROUP — Walter Ray Williams, R.E.H.P.C., 5-0-86.0; Jeff Williams, R.E.H.P.C. 4-1-82.2; Randy Lathe, Sacramento 3-2-57.1; Gary Lathe, Sacramento 1-4-46.7; Lester Cagle, Jr., Stockton 1-4-39.8; Tommy Mandich, Stockton 1-4-37.8.

CONSOLATION GROUP — David Cagle, Stockton 5-1-29.0; Jonathan Williams, R.E.H.P.C. 4-2-23.0; Nathan Williams, R.E.H.P.C. 3-2-21.1; Tom Mandic, Stockton 3-2-16.1; Raymond Madrid, Stockton 1-4-11.2; Nappy Perea, Stockton 0-5-7.5.

Tom Webb Of Rio Dell-Scotia Wins No. Calif. Class C

Tom Webb fought off the last ditch efforts of Al Michelcic to register his 7th win on the Ryland Park courts in San Jose to claim the No. Calif. Class C Championship. Both Tom and Al moved up to Class B as they averaged over 45% for the day. The other 40 plus Class C pitchers were happy over their advancement to say the least. Tony Mattos of the host San Jose Golden Eagle club won 6 of 7 games to drag down the consolation championship honors, and Group III was won by Paul Van DeVeere in a play-off over Bud Bailey 50-31.

CHAMPIONSHIP GROUP — Tom Webb, Rio Del-Scotia 7-0-45.7; Al Michelcic Unoff. 6-1-45.4; Jim Adams, Stanislaus Co. 4-3-38.9; John Metrogen, Sacramento 3-4-41.2; Ron Sanders, Seaside 3-4-41.2; Ken Woolery, Sonoma Co. 2-5-35.9; Carl Halunen, San Jose 2-5-35.5; Ralph Briggs, San Jose 1-6-36.4.

CONSOLATION GROUP — Tony Mattos, San Jose 6-1-38.4; Lou Pitney, Seaside 5-2-36.0; Earl Compton, Sacramento 4-3-39.6; John Howell, Sacramento 4-3-39.3; Bill Henry, Seaside 4-3-34.6; Lewis Lovelady, Jr., Golden Gate 2-5-32.6; Don Muenchow, Mosswood 2-5-29.5; Bob Blow, Livermore 1-6-24.6.

GROUP 3 — Paul Van DeVeere, Stanislaus Co. 6-2-36.0; Bud Bailey, Sonoma Co. 5-3-30.6; Ray Williams, R.E.H.P.C. 4-3-37.6; John Morehouse, Golden Gate 4-3-33.7; Jim Cooper, Sacramento 4-3-33.4; Ernie Norton, Grass Valley 4-3-27.1; Paul Jensen, Seaside 2-5-28.8; Stan Boberg, Sonoma Co. 0-7-24.6.

Titcomb Bags Turkey Shoot Win In San Jose (No. Calif.)

The annual San Jose Turkey Shoot, the fun tournament of the year, was won by Don Titcomb in a 4-1 showing as Jack Seymour edged Tom Brownell and Lloyd Potter for the runner-up turkey by percentage. One ringer made the difference as Jack wound up with 63.4% to 63.2% for Tom. Don pitched the high game of the day, 79.6%. Class A laurels went to Bud Lathe as he shot straight and errorless to register 5 straight hits and brought down his big, first place turkey. Joe Sadowski lost only once to get the smaller of the juicy birds. Class B found that Don Wheeler was the best marksman, as he shot 5 straight wins with Kim Ludlow getting the second place low-flyer. Pat Ray of the San Jose Golden Eagles won a play-off game over Frank Swift 51-21 to pace Class 3.

CHAMPIONSHIP GROUP — Don Titcomb, San Jose 4-1-69.0; Jack Seymour, Golden Gate 3-2-63.4; Tom Brownell, San Jose 3-2-63.2; Lloyd Potter, San Jose 3-2-56.4; Fred Lavett, Seaside 2-3-63.4; Verdan Zelmar, San Jose 0-5-50.6.

CLASS A — Bud Lathe, Sacramento 5-0-49.6; Joe Sadowski, San Jose 4-1-53.4; Boyce Miller, Reno 2-3-49.0; Bob Hanlon, Sonoma Co. 2-3-48.1; Vince Mauricio, San Jose 2-3-41.0; Marvin Haaland, Mosswood 0-5-29.4.

CLASS B — Don Wheeler, Mosswood 5-0-48.4; Kim Ludlow, San Jose 3-2-43.6; Tony Mattos, San Jose 3-2-42.0; Jim Cooper, Sacramento 2-3-37.8; Clair Benthin, Vallejo 2-3-35.2; Paul Van DeVeere, Stanislaus Co. 0-5-24.3.

CLASS C — Pat Ray, San Jose 5-1-33.6; Frank Swift, Golden Gate 4-2-33.7; Joe Jozovich, San Jose 3-2-30.7; Ed Anderson, Stockton 2-3-29.3; Chet Worma, San Jose 1-4-29.3; Bill Caffey, Feather River 1-4-25.1.

First Annual Marion County Open — Hillsboro, Kansas Memorial Park — June 8-9

We are planning two horseshoe tournaments for the 1974 season at the Memorial Park in Hillsboro, Kansas. We have 12 clay courts, well lighted.

One of these tournaments is the **First Annual Marion County Open** tournament, always to be held the second Saturday and Sunday in June. In 1974 that would be June 8th and 9th.

On Saturday evening June 8th at 8 p. m., classes C, D & E play. These are round-robin doubles, then on June 9th, starting at 8:30 a. m. all singles play. These are also round-robin. On Sunday evening, June 9th, classes A & B play round-robin doubles.

The second tournament is on August 19th through Aug. 22nd and is the **Fifth Annual Marion County Fair Open**, also played in Memorial Park, Hillsboro, Kansas. These are all evening games starting at 7 p. m. - Aug. 19 — Class F singles, also C & D doubles. Aug. 20 — D & E singles and C doubles. Aug. 21 — C singles - A & B doubles. Aug. 22 — A & B singles. Entry fees - Singles - \$3.00. Doubles \$2.00.

Send all entries to Herb Schroeder, Box 66, Goessel, Kansas 67053 (Phone: 316 - 367-2211).

Sales Tops Christmas Open At Rushville, Indiana

CLASS AA — George Sales, New Castle 5-2-66.9; Reece Baugh, New Castle 5-2-63.1; Dick Carpenter, Winchester 5-2-62.8; Claude Estelle, Indianapolis 4-3-65.1; Walter Wilhoite, Lebanon 4-3-61.4; Walter Lane, Anderson 3-4-58.9; Al Hack, Indianapolis 2-5-64.3; John Gall, Anderson 0-7-53.2.

Christmas Open — (Continued)

CLASS A — Kenneth Perkins, Rushville 7-0-62.6; Victor Pfaff, Huntingburg 5-2-61.4; Jim Noble, Louisville, Ky. 5-2-59.7; Clarence Andrews, Centerville 5-2-54.4; Bob Sheppard, Rushville 4-3-51.4; Estil Bills, Connersville 2-5-49.4. Harold Tatman, Greensburg 1-6-45.7; Ed Weyer, Ferdinand 0-7-31.7.

CLASS BB — Charles Hancock, Indianapolis 6-1-50.1; Jim Pierson, Mooresville 5-2-51.7; Ron Ammerman, New Castle 4-3-45.4; Everett Carlin, Connersville 3-4-48.9; Harold Greeley, Brownsburg 3-4-41.7; Dick Sommers, Indianapolis 3-4-40.3; Phil Shirley, Indianapolis 2-5-45.7; Darrel Glover, Sr., Rushville 2-5-43.2.

CLASS B — Vernon Holland, Veetersburg 7-0-40.0; Randall Martin, Osgood 5-2-43.7; Dick Hostetler, Indianapolis 5-2-40.9; Lawrence Willis, Rushville 4-3-39.1; Jim Cox, Wabash 4-3-33.5; Don Newland, Connersville 2-5-34.0; Charles Cordray, Rushville 1-6-16.3; Dale Mantoath, Rushville 0-7-30.6.

CLASS CC — Kenny Webb, Indianapolis 5-0-31.5; Richard Dearing, Rushville 4-1-32.4; Bob Jefferies, Shelbyville 3-2-32.8; David Tatman, Greensburg 2-3-31.2; Bill Kile, Rushville 1-4-19.6; Melvin Hicks, Shelbyville 0-5-14.8.

CLASS C — Charles Redden, Rushville 4-1-30.1; Fred Armentrout, Speedway 3-2-30.7; Ervin Hodgdon, Lebanon 3-2-29.2; Alfred Bills, Rushville 2-3-21.2; Lloyd Karstens, Rushville 2-3-20.4; Tim Van Sickle, Indianapolis 1-4-23.2.

CLASS DD — Larry Bills, Rushville 6-1-26.5; Levell Hoban, Rushville 5-2-28.9; Turner Ridge, Franklin 4-3-20.3; Darrel Glover, Jr., Rushville 4-3-16.0; Gerald Tatman, Greensburg 3-4-16.0; Tim Tatman, Hartsville 2-5-16.3; Jim Tatman, St. Paul 2-5-16.3; Ronnie Copple, Rushville 2-5-15.7.

CLASS A - JUNIORS — Stuart Sheppard, Rushville 5-0; Brent Sheppard, Rushville 4-1; Tim Howard, Rushville 3-2; Chris Ridge, Franklin 2-3; Chuck Paugh, Rushville 1-4; Johnny Woods, Rushville 0-5.

CLASS B - JUNIORS — Mark Christian, Rushville 3-0; Jeff Wagoner, Rushville 1-2; Scott Paugh, Rushville 1-2; Reed Thompson, Rushville 0-3.

CLASS C - JUNIORS — Alfred Bills, Rushville 4-1; Jimmy Smith, Rushville 4-1; Steve Gall, Anderson 3-2; Debbie Bills, Rushville 2-3; Lorna Bills, Rushville 2-3.

CLASS A - WOMEN — Sara Cordray, Rushville 6-0-44.0; Drenda Copple, Rushville 3-3-17.0; Ann Redden, Rushville 3-3-15.7; Sandy Steigerwald, Rushville 0-6-8.6.

CLASS B - WOMEN — Jeanie Ralstin, Rushville 3-0-15.0; Carolyn Thompson, Rushville 2-1-5.0; Pearl Glover, Rushville 1-2-5.0.

In Memoriam

It is with sadness in our hearts that we learned of the death of Andrew Black, age 63, Route 9, Columbia, Missouri. He passed away on September 21, 1973. Andy learned the game of horseshoes some 35 years ago and was always ready to help anyone improve their game.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Thelma Murphy Black, one son, Wayne Kenneth Black, Las Vegas, Nevada, and one daughter, Mrs. Betty Jean Grades, Michigan Center, Michigan, and five grandchildren.

Although unable to participate in the last months of his illness, he never lost his enthusiasm for the sport. Andy is missed by all who knew and loved him.

Final Statistics Of Annual Spencer, Iowa Fair Open Meet

One of the outstanding tournaments in Iowa last season was the Annual Spencer, Iowa Open Tournament held in conjunction with the Clay County Fair.

With its various styles of competition offered, 234 entries from Illinois, Nebraska, South Dakota, Minnesota and Iowa competed for prize money totaling \$1,100.00 for the singles, doubles and 100 shoe events. Tournament was managed by George Engelman and Leon Rodda.

OPEN SINGLES EVENT - CLASS AA — Larry Ambrose, Jackson, Minn. 4-1; Ken Garner, South Sioux City, Nebraska 4-1; Abrose won playoff; Walter Finkaum, Alcester, South Dakota 3-2; Armond Brown, Akron, Iowa 2-3, George Engelman, Storm Lake, Iowa 5-0.

CLASS A — Don Carlson, Fairmont, Minn. 5-0; Steve Hoffman, Cedar Falls, Iowa 3-2; Ed Zinn, Hartley, Iowa 3-2; Frances Edwards, Newell, Iowa 2-3; Cliff Telfer, Newell, Iowa 2-3; Bob Bjorkgren, Le Mars, Iowa 0-5.

CLASS BB — Ken Schorg, Remsen, Iowa 5-0; Chester Anderson, Storm Lake, Iowa 4-1; Watty Watrous, Royal, Iowa 3-2; Leonard Williams, New Sharon, Iowa 2-3; Ray Lohff, Holstein, Iowa 1-4; George Brown, Ft. Dodge, Iowa 0-5.

CLASS B — Ted Braunschweig, Alta, Iowa 4-1; Phil Stough, Early, Iowa 4-1; Leon Rodda, Newell, Iowa 4-1; Jerry Braunschweig, Cedar Falls, Iowa 2-3; Carroll Cone, Storm Lake, Iowa 1-4; Vern Plagman, Alta, Iowa 0-5.

CLASS CC — Ken Johnson, Storm Lake, Iowa 4-1; Norman Kroening, Morris, Minn. 4-1; Earl Peters, Hartley, Iowa 3-2; James Winthers, Webb, Iowa 2-3; Ray Kruse, Aurelia, Iowa 1-4; Stuart Challstrom, Spencer, Iowa 0-5.

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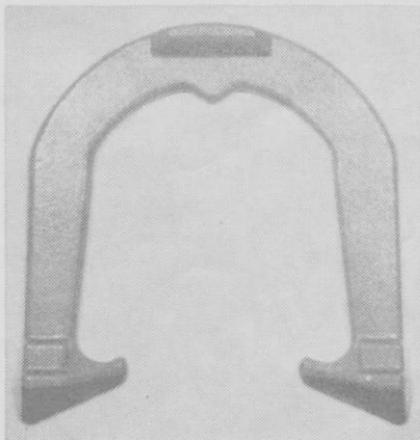
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CLASS C — Gordon Wilson, Round Lake, Minn 4-1; Jim Paulin, Merrill, Iowa 4-1; Stan Stough, Early, Iowa 3-2; George Engelmann, Storm Lake, Iowa 2-3; Edgar Fahr, Aurelia, Iowa 1-4; Melvin Swanson, Alta, Iowa 1-4.

CLASS DD — Kevin Stough, Early, Iowa 5-0; Don Kullberg, Fort Dodge, Iowa 4-1; Elton Marquis, Gourie, Iowa 3-2; Harold Vehrs, Manning, Iowa 2-3; Ray Flohr, Storm Lake, Iowa 1-4; Jerry Kimball, Everly, Iowa 0-5.

CLASS D — Charles Gustafson, Storm Lake, Iowa 5-0; Ernie Kinwall, Webb, Iowa 3-2; Jerry Kinwall, Spencer, Iowa 3-2; Willes Ripke, Newell, Iowa 2-3; Gordon Jackell, Early, Iowa 1-4; Onno Heidebrink, Little Rock, Iowa 1-4.

CLASS EE — Ken Larson, Gourie, Iowa 4-1; W. R. Nicholson, Storm Lake, Iowa 3-2; LeRoy Dirks, Everly, Iowa 3-2; Cliff Carlson, Early, Iowa 2-3; Leo Dahn, Early, Iowa 1-4; Gerald Gilbert, Cherokee, Iowa 1-4.

CLASS E — Richard Moore, Marathon, Iowa 4-1; Filmore Nelson, Larrabee, Iowa 4-1; Cardia Illium, Truesdale, Iowa 4-1; Ervine Walker, Early, Iowa 2-3; Dean Stough, Early, Iowa 1-4; Duane Dudley, Rembrant, Iowa 0-5.

MONDAY - 100 SHOE EVENT — CLASS AA — Frank Stinson, Minneapolis, Minn. 256; Bob Galles, Pierson, Iowa 250; Bob Bjorkgren, Le Mars, Iowa 242; Larry Ambrose, Jackson, Minn. 241; Don Carlson, Fairmont, Minn. 232.

CLASS A — Armond Brown, Akron, Iowa 226; Phil Robertson, Garden Grove, Iowa 221; Ernie Danielson, Burlington, Iowa 220; Gus Isenberg, Fairmont, Minn. 217; Norman Kroening, Mooris, Minn. 210.

CLASS B — Jerry Kimball, Everly, Iowa; Art Bosch, Sanborn, Iowa; Oscar Wilson, Marathon, Iowa; Ray Kruse, Aurelia, Iowa; George Engelmann, Storm Lake, Iowa.

CLASS C — Pete Roe, Lacona, Iowa; Ken Schorg, Remsen, Iowa; W. W. Porter, Granada, Minn.; Ray Lohff, Holstein, Iowa; Carroll Cone, Storm Lake, Iowa; Jerry Braunschweig, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

CLASS D — Pete Van Wyke, Orange City, Iowa; Leonard Williams, New Sharon, Iowa; Bill Johnson, Albert City, Iowa; John Van Wyke, Sanborn, Iowa; Leonard Cone, Storm Lake, Iowa.

DOUBLES EVENT — CLASS A — Frank Stinson and Ernie Danielson 3-0; Bob Galles and Armond Brown 2-1; A. Christiansen and Norman Kroening 1-2; Leon Rodda and Leonard Williams 0-3.

CLASS B — Chester Anderson and Ken Johnson 3-0; Erwin Mark and Ray Kruse 2-1; Ken Schorg and Luis Trienen 1-2; Ray Flohr and Manard Buse 0-3.

CLASS C — Don Vermeys and Clarence Graybill 3-0; Stuart Challstrum and Jim Winthers 2-1; Alvin Johnson and Kermit Halck 1-2; Elton Marquis and Don Kullberg 0-5.

WEDNESDAY, 100-SHOE EVENT CLASS AA — Bob Galles, Pierson, Iowa 260; Frank Stinson, Minneapolis, Minn. 248; Ken Garner, South Sioux City, Nebraska 244; Arnold Christianson, Vermillion, S. D. 240; Walter Fickbolm, Alcester, S. D. 233.

CLASS A — Ernie Danielson, Burlington, Iowa 225; Paul Biemers, Sibley, Iowa 218; Gus Isenberg, Fairmont, Minn. 217; Norman Kroening, Mooris, Minn. 217; Jerry Kimball, Everly, Iowa 214.

CLASS B — Ed Zinn, Hartley, Iowa; W. W. Porter, Granada, Minn.; Watty Watrous, Royal, Iowa; Carroll Cone, Storm Lake, Iowa; Jim Paulin, Merrill, Iowa.

Spencer Open — (Continued)

CLASS C — Don Kullberg, Fort Dodge, Iowa; Ken Schorg, Remsen, Iowa; Alwayne Oetken, Le Mars, Iowa; James Winthers, Webb, Iowa; Alfred Van Meerversen.

CLASS D — Ethon Marquis, Fort Dodge, Iowa; Dennis Wallin; Clarence Lundeen; Leonard Cone, Storm Lake, Iowa; Alvin Johnson.

THURSDAY - 100 SHOE EVENT - CLASS AA — Bob Galles, Pierson, Iowa 252; Bob Bjorkgren, Le Mars, Iowa 236; Ernie Danielson, Burlington, Iowa 223; Bryan Noe, Jr., South Sioux City, Nebraska 222.

CLASS A — Ken Johnson, Storm Lake, Iowa 219; Ed Zinn, Hartley, Iowa 216; Chester Anderson, Storm Lake, Iowa 210; George Engelmann, Storm Lake, Iowa 207.

CLASS B — Art Bosch, Sanborn, Iowa; Leon Rodda, Newell, Iowa; Leonard Williams, New Sharon, Iowa; Watty Watrous, Royal, Iowa.

CLASS C — Alwayne Oetken, Iowa; Jerry Kimball, Iowa; Norman Moret, Iowa; Floyd Stewert, Iowa.

CLASS D — Le Roy Lelsche, Iowa; Dennis Wallen, Iowa; Bill De Roos, Merwin Hestritter, Iowa.

FRIDAY SINGLES EVENT - CLASS AA — Ken Garner, South Sioux City, Nebraska 5-0; Frank Stinson, Minneapolis, Minn. 4-1; Larry Ambrose, Jackson, Minn. 3-2; Bob Galles, Pierson, Iowa 2-3; Arnold Christianson, Vermillion, S. D. 1-4; Ernie Danielson, Burlington, Iowa 0-5.

CLASS A — Bob Bjorkgren, Iowa 4-1; Ed Zinn, Iowa 3-2; Paul Beimers, Iowa 3-2; Chester Anderson, Iowa 3-2; George Engelmann, Iowa 2-3; Ken Johnson, Iowa 0-5.

CLASS BB — Leon Rodda, Iowa 5-0; Frances Edwards, Iowa 4-1; Ken Schorg, Iowa 3-2; Watty Watrous, Iowa 2-3; Leonard Williams, Iowa 1-4; Pete Roe, Iowa 0-5.

CLASS B — Carroll Cone, Iowa 3-0; Ted Braunschweig, Iowa 2-1; Charley Gustafson, Iowa 1-2; Alton Marquis, Iowa 0-3.

CLASS CC — Jim Winthers, Iowa 5-0; Erwin Mark, Iowa 4-1; Pete Van Wyke, Iowa 2-3; Ray Lohff, Iowa 2-3; Jim Paulin, Iowa 1-4; Gordon Wilson, Minn. 1-4.

CLASS C — Don Kaullberg, Iowa 3-0; Alfred Vermerven, Iowa 2-1; Edgar Fahr, Iowa 1-2; Stuart Challstrom, Iowa 0-3.

SENIOR BOYS SINGLES — John Grundmeier, Randy Braunschweig.

JUNIOR BOYS SINGLES — Kevin Cone; Brad Kimball; Larry Werkmeister.

Nevada Announces 1974 Program

The Nevada State Open will be held on June 1st and 2nd at Stempeck Park in Sparks, Nevada. Reno Indian Colony will hold their tournament at Anderson Park on June 21st and 22nd. Northern Nevada will hold three tournaments this year, the first one on July 20th and 21st, also August 3rd and 4th and again August 17th and 18th, these will take place at Stempeck Park in Sparks, Nevada. The Nevada State Closed will be held September 7th and 8th at Stempeck Park. All tournaments will be played on clay courts. Pre-entry fee of \$1.00 must be in one week in advance of any tournament, also percentage.



F. Ellis Cobb
P. O. Box 1606
Aurora, Illinois 60507

Dear Sir:

I am submitting the following article concerning the annual convention.

The Annual Convention needs revamping. The meeting usually lasts three hours. We try to cover a year's business in that short period of time. About an hour is spent seating the delegates.

Most chapters do not have a full complement of delegates present. They are thus not adequately represented. Many states will bring in any member of their state association that happens to be present at the tournament. Our present system gives the area in which the tournament is being held control of the voting. In other words, if you want a motion passed on a given subject you wait until the tournament is in your area.

I would suggest that each chapter have a voting delegate at the convention who votes for his chapter (number of votes depends on the number of delegates that the chapter has).

If major subjects are aired in the Digest prior to the annual meeting, the voting delegate can bring the feeling of his state on the subject to the convention.

I believe each chapter's membership should have a say as to the location of the World's Championship. If the information were printed in the Digest several months prior to the convention, each chapter could vote at their meeting and the delegate could bring their votes to the convention.

If this procedure had been followed last year, the membership would have learned that Middlesex's bid included the following:

1. The American Legion with a nation-wide organization would sponsor the tournament.
2. That New Jersey would have gone as high as \$12,000 to get the tournament.
3. That New Jersey and the Legion could get nation-wide T.V., newspaper and radio coverage.

Sol Berman

44 Ridgcrest Road
Rochester, New York

Dear Editor:

On Wednesday, December 26, 1973, I had the privilege and pleasure of pitching horseshoes on the Heritage Recreation Courts in Sutton, Massachusetts. It was without a doubt, the greatest conditions that I have pitched under in over 40 years. Just imagine perfect courts, perfect clay, perfect stakes, perfect lights, no rain, no wind, no hot sun. You add all this up plus two great hosts in Ed and Anne Domey and you have one beautiful setting.

This should be a must stop for every NHPA member as soon as possible.

Yours in sports,
Carl F. Steinfeldt

Mail Bag — (Continued)

Dear Editor:

As a member of the NHPA Executive Council, I have been receiving a great amount of mail pertaining to the affairs of the NHPA among which is the cutting of the time of conducting the World Tournament.

Following is my plan to cut 3-days off the time that it takes to conduct a World Tournament.

1. Cut the 36-man Class A down to 24, that would be known as the Championship Class.

2. Make a 12-man Class AA to pitch at the same time as the 24-man class, this would use all the courts.

3. Cut the qualifying time down to 4 days.

4. Make the 65 years and older group into 6-man classes instead of 8-man and let the rest of the players go on as in previous years.

Do not take the prize money from the lower classes to give to the top 36, but raise the entry fee for the top 36 players and add that money to the top 36 prize fund.

This plan will not hurt anyone, as we cannot afford to take from the lower classes and give to the 1 to 4 men at the top.

Also we should stay away from the 50-shoes for it will only work indoors or where there are not enough courts.

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Rod Hatton Sweeps Thru Thanksgiving Open In Texas

The same old story that has repeated all year. Rod Hatton wins again. Rod went undefeated in seven games to win Class A. Joe Minnich finally won another trophy after a dry spell of two years. He came in second with five wins and two losses.

Experience paid off again as Chester Zarnicki from Houston tangled with the youngest pitcher in our membership, Johnny Noll, Jr. Chester and Johnny swept the Class B pitchers with one loss apiece. In the play-off Ol' Chester called on his years of experience under pressure and handled Johnny easily.

In Class C, Jim Roemer had his best tournament of the year as he went undefeated in five games. Bob Alexander came in second.

Class D was the most fiercely fought class in the tournament. Cliff Jenschke, Bob Alexander and John Noll, Sr., tangled in a play-off. Cliff won all of his play-off games to take home the first place trophy.

Class E - The Ol' Umbrella Man wins another trophy. Despite all his aches and pains, Bill Sholl carried home another first place trophy in Class E. It looked for awhile like Louie Shelton had everything sewed up, but for some reason he fell apart in his last game and had to be satisfied with second place.

CLASS A — Hatton 7-0-57.6; Minnich 5-2-47.5; Woodson 4-3-48.6; Roach 4-3-47.4; Graham 3-4-49.3; Luketic 3-4-46.7; Callow 1-6-39.1; Zarnicki 1-6-33.3.

CLASS B — Zarnicki 7-1-38.6; Noll, Jr. 6-2-39.2; Garcia 4-3-33.8; Morrell 4-3-33.5; Mann 3-4-26.8; Kirby 2-5-28.0; Bass 2-5-24.5; Willette 1-6-19.2.

CLASS C — Roemer 5-0-24.7; Alexander 3-2-19.1; Wilson 2-3-20.5; Hoover 2-3-19.1; Koepke 2-3-14.2; Noll, Sr. 1-4-15.5.

CLASS D — Jenschke 7-2-16.9; Noll, Sr. 5-3-20.4; Alexander 5-3-18.6; Wilson 4-3-19.0; Ferrell 4-3-16.9; Coons 3-4-18.9; Emerson, P. 2-5-18.5; Shaner 0-7-10.2.

CLASS E — Sholl 6-1-6.0; Shelton, L. 5-2-12.5; Shelton, J. 3-4-10.7; Baker, Bob 3-4-9.2; Hatley 3-4-8.2; Baker, Bill 3-4-6.4; Bock 3-4-4.6; Rasso 2-5-10.7.

The Juniors was won by Jolynn Minnich with young John Adams finishing second.

1973 Florida Open Title Goes To Rademacher

John Rademacher of Plant City, Florida successfully defended his Florida Open Horseshoe pitching title, at the new courts in Seminole, Florida on Saturday, December 22nd. Gerry Cole of Springdale, New York won in Class B, while Russ Fuller was leading the pack in Class C, Earle Johnson of Bradenton took first place honors in Class D. Twenty-six pitchers participated in the tournament which was postponed two weeks earlier. Sarg Cook and John Rademacher, the Florida Secretary, tended to the bookkeeping details, assisted ably by Lee Davis, President of the Seminole club, which were the hosts.

CLASS A — John Rademacher, Plant City 7-0; Jack Fahey, Kentucky 6-1; Levi Miller, Sarasota 4-3; Earl Grable, Michigan 4-3; Hart Knutson, Lakeland 4-3; Lee Davis, Seminole 2-5; Dick Ferguson, Sarasota 1-6; Chris Hansen, Sarasota 0-7.

CLASS B — Gerry Cole, N. Y. 5-0; H. Hochstetler, Sarasota 3-2; M. Collins, Dunedin 2-3; Les Peary, Bradenton 2-3; Dick Weigel, Clearwater 2-3; Henry Mullet, Montana 1-4.

CLASS C — Russ Fuller, Seminole 4-1; Red Henton, Plant City 3-2; E. Schuller Bradenton 3-2; Frank Stites, Bradenton 2-3; I. Eilers, Ill. 2-3; Mel Miller, Sarasota 1-4.

CLASS D — Earle Johnson, Bradenton 5-0; Ed Tausch, Bradenton 3-2; Bob Widdersheim, Seminole 3-2; Mose Miller, Sarasota 2-3; Norm Gaseau, Clearwater 1-4; John Rae, Bradenton 1-4.

Pass The Word — Tyson's Back — Wins At Heritage Classic

Outside, weather conditions were worse than those for the Wyoming State tournament, but it had no effect on the play of the Christmas Classic held indoors at Heritage Recreation Center. Many outstanding games were pitched, headed by Art Tyson's 86% game. Three players tied for most consecutive doubles (9) — Ricky Howe (age 12), Joe Schultz, and Norm Rioux. Tyson was back on his game after several upper sixty tournaments, and swept Group 1, pitching 75.1%. Rick Dubey continues to improve and swept Group 5, averaging 43.4%. A year ago Rick had difficulty finding the pit, let alone the stake. He now throws a beautiful 1¼ shoe and is one of the most promising players for the future. The junior class was won by Paul Domey with a 52% clean sweep — his first Class A win. Mrs. Deborah Michaud, 1973 Massachusetts State and New England women's champion, placed third. No other women were entered, so Debby agreed to pitch with the juniors. Winning players were offered the choice of trophy or Christmas gift item plus trophy plate.

GROUP 1 — Art Tyson, Conn. 7-0-75.1; Pete Prouty, Vt. 6-1-64.9; Joe Schultz, N. Y. 4-3-71.4; Norman Rioux, Conn. 4-3-67.1; Ed Domey, Mass. 3-4-61.7; Bernard Davis, Sr., N. H. 2-5-58.0; Jerry Bragg, N. Y. 1-6-60.3; Mel Merritt, Mass. 1-6-58.6.

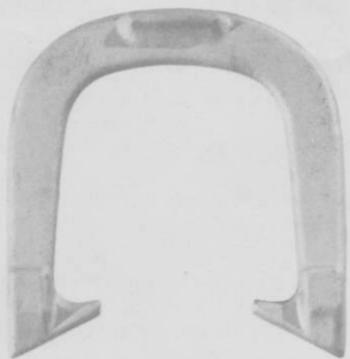
GROUP 2 — Bill Saunders, N. H. 6-1-62.3; Gil Lee, Conn. 5-2-59.1; Amos Whitaker, Mass. 4-3-60.5; Joe Comeau, Mass. 4-3-57.4; Paul Cormier, Mass. 3-4-57.1; Dan Beane, Mass. 3-4-50.8; John Parmenter, Mass. 2-5-54.3; Andy Fafard, Mass. 1-6-53.1.

GROUP 3 — Russ Gadoury, Mass. 7-0-55.1; Paul Dumont, Mass. 5-2-52.0; Paul Drowne, Mass. 4-3-50.9; Don Harrison, Mass. 3-4-45.1; Joe Sivek, Conn. 2-5-48.0; Fred Simon, Mass. 0-7-39.7.

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Tyson Wins — (Continued)

GROUP 4 — Chet Rousseau, N. H. 7-0-50.0; Bernard Davis, Jr., N. H. 5-2-38.6; Jerry Nemschick, Mass. 4-3-40.6; Joe Shyme, Mass. 4-3-37.7; Rick Dubey, Mass. 3-4-39.1; Paul Schultz, N. Y. 0-7-32.0.

GROUP 5 — Rick Dubey, Mass. 7-0-43.4; Bill White, Mass. 6-1-41.1; Armand Deluca, Mass. 4-3-35.1; Rene Rodrigue, Conn. 3-4-37.7; Ray Dulmaine, Mass. 3-4-31.4; Joe Guy, Mass. 2-5-28.0; Bill Fricault, Mass. 2-5-27.1; Don Fontaine, Mass. 1-6-22.3.

GROUP 6 — Bill McMahon, Mass. 6-1-32.3; Paul Asselin, Mass. 5-2-32.0; Rene Larocque, Mass. 5-2-30.9; Hub Sasse, Mass. 4-3-28.8; Moe Farmer, Mass. 4-3-27.1; Ed Harrington, Mass. 3-4-24.9; Dick Shepard, Mass. 1-6-27.7; Tony Nacewicz, Mass. 0-7-21.4.

JUNIORS — Paul Domey, Mass. 7-0-52.0; Rick Howe, Mass. 6-1-65.3; Mrs. Deborah Michaud, Mass. 5-2-54.0; Robert Howe, Mass. 3-4-39.0; Tom Dodge, Mass. 3-4-36.7; Glenn Crilly, Mass. 2-5-26.3; Bill Callihan, Mass. 2-5-17.7; Joey Bye, U. S. 0-7-0.0.

Seminole, Florida Open Won By John Rademacher

The day broke fine and clear, the air full of the odor of pine, and ole man SUN shone as only he can in the Sunshine State over the beautiful Seminole horseshoe courts. This was the first sanctioned tournament ever held in Florida's newest city. A week earlier the Florida State Open was scheduled to be held here and the almost unknown happened, it rained and rained forcing the tournament to be called. Again on this second tournament the skies suddenly darkened and we were on the verge of calling a tournament for a second week in a row, this would be unheard of, December being the driest month of the year in Florida. We decided on a noontime lunch break which proved very effective as the skies once again cleared and the Sun came out. Under the able assistance and supervision of Lee Davis (tournament Director) and State President Sarg Cook (Administration Director) the ball got rolling and the irons began to fill the air instead of rains.

Twenty-seven entries had a field day as the courts were in perfect condition. Three trophies were awarded in every class. The City of Seminole donated several and in fact all first place trophies and they were presented by the Honorable Ralph Fawcett of Seminole, assisted by State President Cook. An enjoyable day was had by all.

John Rademacher beat out Jack Fahey for the Class A championship. Class B was won by Marion Collins after a closely played play-off with Dick Ferguson. Class C went to George Buskey, who won all his games as did Russ Fuller who won Class D.

The Seminole Horseshoe Club welcomes Jack Fahey as a new Florida Resident. Kentucky's loss is Florida's gain.

CLASS A — John Rademacher, Plant City 5-0-67.6; Jack Fahey, Bradenton 4-1-64.9; William Riley, Bradenton 3-2-56.9; Levi Miller, Sarasota 2-3-53.5; Earl Grable, Bradenton 1-4-50.0; Lee Davis, Seminole 0-5-45.0.

CLASS B — Dick Ferguson, Sarasota 4-1-45.3; Marion Collins, Tarpon Spgs. 4-1-49.6; Harvey Hochstetler, Sarasota 3-2-42.0; Oscar Gaudette, New Smyrna Bch. 3-2-41.6; Dick Weigel, Clearwater 1-4-39.9; Henry Mullet, Sarasota 0-5-41.1.

CLASS C — George Buskey, Tarpon Spgs. 7-0-40.8; Jerry Cole, New York 6-1-34.8; Charlie Pitton, Clearwater 5-2-40.3; Les Peary, Bradenton 4-3-33.7; Bob Widdersheim, Largo 3-4-29.0; Melvin Miller, Sarasota 2-5-27.2; Bob Graham, Michigan 1-6-30.8; Frank Stites, Bradenton 0-7-27.6.

CLASS D — Russ Fuller, Seminole 6-0-34.4; Dean Grable, Bradenton 5-1-30.7; Earle Johnson, Bradenton 3-3-30.1; Joe Thonert, Zephyrhills 2-4-25.1; Norman Gaseau, Clearwater 2-4-23.0; Stephen Grable, Bradenton 2-4-20.5; Mose Miller, Sarasota 1-5-20.0.

Steinfeldt And Kuchinski At Heritage

By Russell A. Gadoury

Carl Steinfeldt's visit to Heritage Recreation Center on December 26 was an event enjoyed by all present. Carl was truly impressed with Heritage, and the players were impressed in return. Although he hadn't pitched since September, Carl averaged 82% ringers while pitching six 50-shoe games, including this writer's worst shellacking ever, opposite a 92% game. The highlight, however, was a subsequent 20-shoe game with 12-year old Ricky Howe, that went six shoes into overtime. When Carl finally scored, on his tenth shoe, he said, "At least I can't be shut out." An off-line 24th shoe cost Ricky the win. Carl finished 22 for 26 and Ricky 21 for 26.

Carl's comments about Heritage were certainly appreciated, especially "If we had this in Rochester, I would quit bowling and pitch three nights a week. I hope your local players appreciate what you have here." Carl departed Heritage with a Supporting Membership, the usual Heritage supply of newsletters, word puzzles, and bumper stickers, and a vow to return as soon as possible.

A similar visit was made by Dan and Sue Kuchinski early last November, while putting on their exhibition in nearby Auburn. Danny also took on all comers in a series of 25-point games. Another 12-year old, Chris Erickson, gave Dan his toughest game, getting 16 points. Massachusetts is justifiably proud of their juniors, who always seem to perform at their best when the occasion demands. Dan's report on PHA experiences and other matters were quite interesting.

We at Heritage enjoy these visits, but out-of-towners, that provide an excellent opportunity for the exchange of ideas on the game of horseshoes. If Carl and Danny are representative of the best horseshoe pitchers in the country, the upcoming World Warm-up and World Tournament promise to be exciting events for all New England players, as competitors and spectators.

Attention Horseshoe Pitchers

I am in the process of compiling anecdotes, interesting tournament game reports, clutch performances, individual histories on pitchers of all calibre and other information on the game of horseshoe to be used in a book. Pitchers and interested persons are asked to send me such information as soon as possible along with glossy pictures (please note if you want them returned). Please write clearly or type your reports so that names and information will be correctly printed. While attention will be given to World Tournaments held around the nation, other tournaments will be given consideration. Your help in gathering this information will be appreciated. This book will be considerably different than others now on the market. Send information to: Will Gullickson, 1608 17th Street, S., Moorhead, Minnesota 56560.

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Day-Bell Winter Classic Taken By Donnie Roberts

The Winter Classic at the Day-Bell courts in Dayton, Kentucky, found Donnie Roberts in fine form, taking top honors in Class A with a very respectable 80.8 average for seven games. Second place went to Bill Henn, averaging 69.8 with his brand new Ohio Pro shoes. Chick Henn, younger brother of Bill, took top honors in Class B, averaging 55.4. Class C went to 81 year old Leo Goodwin, who averaged 33.7. Class CC found Bob Snider winning five games for first place.

CLASS A — Don Roberts 7-0-80.8; Bill Henn 6-1-69.8; Stan Manker 5-2-70.4; Pop Johnson 4-3-58.2; Carl Young 2-5-67.0; Elmer Harrison 2-5-63.8; Ottie Reno 2-5-53.0; John Napier 0-7-50.4. High game, Class A, Don Roberts 97.5.

CLASS B — Chick Henn 6-1-55.4; John Hankins 5-2-42.9; Boop Rogg 4-3-49.7; John Hughes 4-3-45.5; Cliff Mullins 3-4-42.8; Frank Filhardt 3-4-36.5; Lou Smith 2-5-39.0; Joe Dryer 1-6-38.8. High game, Class B, John Hughes 60.2.

CLASS C — Leo Goodwin 4-1-33.7; Danny Moore 3-2-36.9; Bob Arnzen 3-2-35.3; Vern Gregory 2-3-32.1; Charley Burton 2-3-25.7; Simon Kelly 1-4-30.5; High game, Class C, Danny Moore 48.8.

CLASS CC — Bob Snider 5-0-34.0; Jay Walton 4-1-26.1; Jim Ahrens 3-2-29.3; Don Moore 2-3-27.3; Clarence Duncan 1-4-23.0; John Mack, forfeit. High game, Class CC, Bob Snider 41.5.

Your Director Reports . . .

By Peter Shepard

What Are the Duties of Your Director?

1. Duty is to NHPA and promotion of the sport.
2. To see that each state in his area is following rules of the NHPA.
3. To aid and suggest to each club in need of financial help, means of raising funds.
4. To see that each state meet is following Association rules and not those of an individual.
5. To establish and exchange tournament information between states within his jurisdiction.
6. To find a way to encourage the news media and TV to cover tournament play.
7. To suggest to each club ways of improving the club and the sport.
8. If you find that state officials are not doing their job, then other people should be suggested for the positions.
9. Offer praise to tournament officials and others when a good tournament has been conducted successfully.
10. If you are called on, be free to help, because they have no other ones to turn to.
11. As Director, you should do the steering from the sidelines, let the news media do the pushing.
12. Send in regular reports, using the format in the News Digest as other people like to know what is going on.
13. Plan ways to bring important people in public life to tournaments, the news media always follows them.
14. Encourage Juniors and Women to enter into play.
15. If a Director does all these things he will be fully occupied and be a credit to the sport and the NHPA.

I would like to thank Sue and Danny Kuchcinski for the fine exhibition that they put on here in New England recently. Also to Carl Steinfeldt for his exhibition and striving to keep the young players interested by playing with them while visiting here at the Heritage Recreation Center in Sutton, Mass.

The South African delegation will arrive on schedule along with other dignitaries prior to the 1974 World Tournament at Keene, N. H.

Because of the tremendous work load, it has been suggested that the NHPA Secretary-Treasurer job be made into two separate jobs.

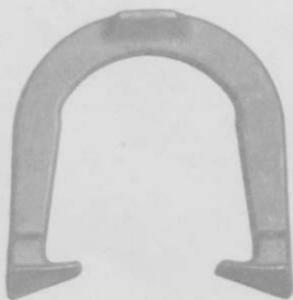
Altho there is an energy and gasoline crisis, the 1974 World Tournament will go on as scheduled.

COVER PICTURE . . . Mystery pitcher — This month's photo shows a pitcher presumably from Minnesota and sent into the Digest by Joe Anzaldi of St. Paul, Minnesota. His thought was that perhaps someone from long ago could identify him. Note the old style "round shoes" and the height of the stake and the position of his feet. If you know him, send your information to the News Digest.

Washington Leads In Membership

1. Washington State, with Herb Okeson as Secretary, has reported 185 memberships.
2. Western Pennsylvania, with Joseph Mancini as Secretary, has reported 66 members and 65 Digests.
3. Massachusetts, with Russ Sweeney as Secretary, has reported 40 members and 27 Digests.
4. Missouri, with James Acock as Secretary, has reported 39 members and 28 Digests.
5. Indiana, with John and Erma Gall as Secretaries, has reported 38 members and 22 Subscribers.
6. Iowa Hawkeye, with Danny Sease as Secretary, has reported 31 members and 13 Digests.
7. Northern California, with George Kinkle as Secretary, has reported 25 members and 15 Digests.
8. Southern California, with Jim Weeks as Secretary, has reported 21 members and 5 Subscriptions.
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COMING EVENTS

March 17 — Indiana Association Spring Meeting, 4-H Fairgrounds, Lebanon, Ind.
 April 26-28, 1974 — Sixth Annual Open. Carolina Dogwood Festival Tournament, Statesville, North Carolina.
 May 24-25-26, 1974 — Spring Fever Open, Marion, Ohio.
 June 8-9 — First Annual Marion County Open, Memorial Park Courts, Hillsboro, Kansas.
 July 19, 20, 21 — Mid-East Tournament, Kamps Kovered Kourts, Combined Locks, Wisconsin.
 Aug. 23-24-25, 1974 — Annual Marion Open, Marion, Ohio.
 Aug. 24-25, 1974 — Annual Nebraska State Tournament, Crete, Nebraska.
 August 25 — Annual Idaho State Tournament, Julia Davis Park courts, Boise, Ida.

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TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE 1973-1974

March 9-10 — Harry Henn Memorial.
 April 20-21 — Spring Tune-up.
 May 4-5 — Doubles Classic.

All entries are to be mailed to Day-Bell Courts, 320 Clay Street, Dayton, Ky., 41074 one week prior to tournament. In event of overload of entries, the following Sunday will be scheduled also.

PENNSYLVANIA WINTER SCHEDULE

Winter Schedule — Red Mill, Washington, Penna. Send \$5.00 entry fee to Clyde Martz, 148 Marble Drive, Bridgeville, Penna. 15017. Tournament dates — Mar. 9 & 10; Apr. 20 & 21.

1973-1974 FLORIDA TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Mar. 1-3 — American Legion National, Titusville (Open). Contact Oscar Gaudette, 718 Francis Ave., New Smyrna Beach, Fla. 32069 - 904 - 428-4288.
 Mar. 7-9 — Strawberry Festival, Plant City Fairgrounds. Contact John Rademacher, 408 Pevetty Dr., Plant City, Fla. 33566 - 813 - 752-1226.
 Mar. 21-23 — DeSota Open, Bradenton Trailer Park. Earle Johnson, 3031 - 12 Ave. E., Bradenton, Fla. 33505 - 813 - 746-8298.
 Mar. 30-31 — Pow-Wow, Seminole. Contact Lee Davis, 13299 - 87th Ave. No., Seminole, Fla., 33542 - 813 - 392-8504.
 Apr. 6-7 — Florida State (Closed), Plant City Fairgrounds. John Rademacher, 408 Pevetty Dr. Plant City, Fla. 33566 - 813-752-1226.

1974 MASSACHUSETTS SCHEDULE

(All sanctioned)

* March 24 - 31 — Easter Ham Shoot.
 * April 21 - 28 — Spring Warm-up.
 * May 19 - 26 — Anniversary Special.
 * Conducted at Heritage Recreation Center, Rte. 146, Sutton. The first week of each tournament is for classes below 40%.
 June 8 - 9 — Greater Lowell Invitational at Westford. (Sponsored by the Greater Lowell H. P. A.)
 June 16 - 23 — Mass. Open at Heritage Recreation Center. (Sponsored by the St. Moritz Club, Quincy.)

HERITAGE RECREATION CENTER
TOURNAMENT DATES

Mar. 24, Easter Ham Shoot, 39% Classes and down.
 Mar. 31, Easter Ham Shoot, 40% Classes and up.
 Apr. 21, Spring Warm-Up, 39% Classes and down.
 Apr. 28, Spring Warm-Up, 40% Classes and up.
 May 19, Anniversary Special, 39% Classes and up.
 May 26, Anniversary Special, 40% Classes and up.

INDIANA SCHEDULE

Send all entries to Emma Gall, 2217 East 4th Street, Anderson, Indiana 46012. Phone: (317) 642-2413. Mail Entries must be received by midnight on deadline date; Phone calls for entries will be taken until Friday noon after Wednesday deadline. NOTES: Indiana members must pitch in at least three (3) Indiana sanctioned tournaments during the year to be eligible to pitch in State Tournament. All tournaments will be 50-shoe cancellation.

Mar. 2-3 — March Open at Rushville. Indoor. Mailing deadline, Feb. 20; phone deadline, Feb. 22 noon. Entry fee \$6.00.
 Apr. 6-7 — Rushville Open at Rushville. Indoor. Mailing deadline, Mar. 27; phone deadline, Mar. 29 noon. Entry fee \$6.00.
 Apr. 27-28 — Spring Special at Rushville. Indoor. Mailing deadline Apr. 17, phone deadline, Apr. 19 noon. Entry fee \$6.00.

Apr. 20 — Sarasota Ringer Classic, Bee Ridge Park. Contact Dick Ferguson, 4337 Midland Rd., Sarasota, Fla. 33581 - 813 - 924-4117.

June 8 — Bee Ridge Open, Sarasota. Contact Dick Ferguson, 4337 Midland Rd., Sarasota, Fla. 33581 - 813 - 924-4117.

PLEASE NOTE: All entries must be in the hands of the proper contacts 7 days prior to the starting tournament date. All FLORIDA pitchers will be classified according to their current average. All others must send their current average with their entry fee. Early entries are suggested since the number of entries may be limited in some, and the early entries will be given priority.

July 27 - 28 — World Warm-up at Heritage Recreation Center.
 August 11 — Western Mass. Invitational at Heritage Recreation Center.
 August 17 - 18 — State Championship at Westford. (Sponsored by the Greater Lowell H. P. A. Rain date Aug. 24 - 25.
 Aug. 31, - Sept. 1-2 — New England Tournament at Heritage (Rain dates Sept. 7-8.)
 Oct. 6 - 13 — Handicap Tournament of Champions at Heritage Recreation Center. (Any winner or tie for first place, in any class, of a sanctioned tournament may enter.)

Coming Events—Continued

EASTERN PENNA. SCHEDULE

East Penna. Horseshoe Pitcher's Association 1974 Tournament Schedule, to be played on the Bristol Township Recreation Courts, located at Wood and Purdue Ave., Edgley, Bristol Township, Penna. Entry Fee of \$8.00 and highest 1973 Average should be mailed 7 days prior to tournament date. \$5.00 entry fee for women and no fee for Junior boys or girls. Except for Penna open, make checks payable to Bristol Township Horseshoe Pitcher's Association, c/o Al Moss, 1312 Lacebark St., Trevese, Pa. 19047, Tournament Director 215-355-1981.

June 9.....U. S. Eastern Open
 June 23....Bristol Township Recreation Open
 July 7.....East Coast Open
 July 21.....Delaware Valley Open
 Aug. 17, 18.....Pennsylvania Open
 at New Cumberland, Pa. Contact Daniel Beshore, Rte 2, New Cumberland, Pa. 17070 or Phone 717-938-2945 for information.
 Aug. 25.....Lower Bucks County Open
 Sept. 15.....East Penna. Open

Donnie Roberts Sweeps New Rome, Ohio Open

Donnie Roberts took time out November 24th from his busy schedule of teaching school and constructing a four court indoor horseshoe building near Lucasville, Ohio to stifle the opposition at the New Rome, Ohio Fall Indoor Open.

Only Stan Manker, who had defeated Donnie a month earlier to claim the Bainbridge, Ohio title, came close in this event.

CLASS A — Donnie Roberts, Lucasville 5-0-83.3; Stan Manker, Martinsville 4-1-71.3; Carl Young, Columbus 3-2-68.2; Ken Kugler, Hamilton 2-3-55.3; Elmer Harrison, Hamilton 1-4-62.8; John Napier, Hamilton 0-5-41.3.

CLASS B — Jim Rhymer, Circleville 5-0-68.9; Ken Dawes, Good Hope 4-1-64.9; Ted Harris, London 2-3-64.4; Max Roseberry, Marion 2-3-57.9; Les Rose, Columbus 2-3-56.7; Joe Pillion, Springfield 0-5-62.6.

CLASS C — Tom Pearce, W. Jefferson 4-1-52.1; Howard Bryant, Washington C. H. 3-2-53.2; Ken Waggoner, Xenia 3-2-50.9; Earl Waggoner, Xenia 2-3-50.9; Sam Conley, Lucasville 2-3-48.1; Bob Chappel, Camden 0-5-36.7.

CLASS D — Oattie Reno, Lucasville 5-0-45.2; Fred White, Lancaster 4-1-47.9; Jerry Boesch, Columbus 3-2-50.9; Don Jones, Jacksontown 2-3-43.3; Francis Asher, Piqua 1-4-35.2; John Tavan, Galion 0-5-37.7.

CLASS E — Ike Butcher, Bloomingburg 3-2-43.4; Gilbert Palmer, Bainbridge 3-2-36.5; Tom King, Chillicothe 3-2-40.3; Ray Morse, Milford Center 2-3-40.6; J. D. Rhymer, Stoutsville 2-3-39.2; John Fisher, Galion 2-3-34.2.

CLASS F — Ray Cochran, Fredericktown 4-1-44.3; Glenn Hoddy, Galloway 4-1-40.8; Delbert Stewart, Plain City 3-2-41.2; Columbus Brickles, Columbus 3-2-40.7; Jim Dunkerly, Lancaster 1-4-34.1; John Brown, Lancaster 0-5-35.4.

CLASS G — Les Grosklos, Marietta 6-0-54.1; John Brown, Lancaster 3-3-35.2; Les Eichler, Galion 2-4-37.7; Paul Betchel, Belleville 1-5-32.7; Clyde Shackelford, Dayton forfeit; Harry Hopkins, Piqua forfeit.

CLASS H — Larry Butcher, Bloomingburg 4-1-43.3; Dave Marten, Lancaster 4-1-41.4; Delbert Nickell, Galion 3-2-33.2; Ray Short, Sinking Springs 2-3-34.3; John Whittington, Lancaster 1-4-32.1; Jim Kimmey, Washington Court House 1-4-30.7.

CLASS I — Winston Paige, Columbus 3-1-41.3; Earl Lookabaugh, Marysville 3-1-50.5; Al Gostel, Columbus 3-1-40.0; Ralph Walker, Bellville 1-3-34.1; Dave Rose, Columbus 0-4-35.6; Jeff Huffman, Lancaster forfeit.

CLASS J — Bud Andrews, Marysville 5-0-48.0; Foster Latimore, Marion 4-1-45.1; Jim Church, Marysville 2-3-35.0; Delbert Nickell, Galion 2-3-33.7; Orval Cross, Newark 1-4-27.6; Charles Martin, Galion 1-4-22.7.

CLASS K — Bill Kuhn, Spring Valley 4-0-25.0; Ralph Simpson, Marysville 3-1-30.0; Carl Simpson, Marysville 2-2-20.8; Ival Mitchell, Seaman 1-3-16.9; Jack Wamsley, W. Jefferson forfeit.

Plant City, Florida Open Title Goes To Harrison

Troy Harrison pitching steady horseshoes won the Plant City Open held at the Plant City fairgrounds on Saturday, January 5th. Thirty-four pitchers participated under ideal conditions. George Buskey of Tarpon Springs was tops in Class B, while Earl Morris of Lakeland was tops in Class C. Red Benton of Plant City had a clean slate in Class D, as did Earle Johnson of Bradenton in Class E.

CLASS A — Troy Harrison, Lakeland 7-0-74.1; J. Rademacher, Plant City, 6-1-71.9; L. Miller, Sarasota 5-2-56.8; V. Mack, Louisiana 3-4-54.7; E. Grable, Michigan 3-4-49.0; M. Collins, Michigan 2-5-48.8; M. Rodocker, Ohio 2-5-48.4; G. Rademacher, Plant City 0-7-46.0.

CLASS B — G. Buskey, Tarpon Springs 6-1-54.1; M. Rodocker, Ohio 5-2-54.9; H. Hockstetler, Fla. 5-2-48.1; D. Thatcher, Fla. 4-3-48.3; O. Gaudette, Fla. 3-4-48.8; G. Cole, N. Y. 3-4-45.3; R. Ferguson, Fla. 2-5-46.1; L. Davis, Fla. 0-7-49.1.

CLASS C — Earl Morris, Lakeland 4-1-50.8; L. Peary, Bradenton 4-1-45.5; H. Mullet, Sarasota 3-2-34.0; R. Weigel, Clearwater 2-3-42.6; O. Corbett, Orlando 1-4-38.3; F. Stites, Bradenton 1-4-38.4.

CLASS D — Red Benton, Fla. 5-0-45.8; R. Fuller, Fla. 3-2-49.6; E. Schuller, 2-3-34.0; Mel Miller, Fla. 2-3-33.5; E. Schuetz, Wis. 2-3-31.2; I. Eiler, Iowa 1-4-30.5.

CLASS E — Earle Johnson, Bradenton 5-0-36.3; Joe Thonert, Zephyrhills 4-1-32.2; R. Widdersheim, Seminole 3-2-34.7; N. Gaseau, Clearwater 1-4-27.2; Mose Miller, Sarasota 1-4-18.8; John Rae, Bradenton 1-4-16.9.

New Year's Open — Rushville, Indiana, January 5 and 6

CLASS AA — Jim Kemple, Rushville 6-1-65.0; Reece Baughn, New Castle 5-2-64.4; Bob Sheppard, Rushville 5-2-55.2.

CLASS A — Henry Franke, Centralia, Ill. 6-1-59.1; Robert Wells, Jackson, Mich. 5-2-54.3; Carl Wefler, Terre Haute, Ind. 4-3-54.0.

CLASS BB — Randell Martin, Osgood, Ind. 5-2-50.6; Phil Shirley, Indianapolis, Ind. 5-2-49.4; Harry Greeley, Brownsburg, Ind. 5-2-42.7.

CLASS B — Darrell Glover, Sr., Rushville, Ind. 6-1-47.4; Dick Hostetler, Indianapolis, Ind. 5-2-44.4; Chet Ogan, Wabash, Ind. 4-3-39.4.

CLASS CC — Kenneth Webb, Indianapolis, Ind. 6-1-33.6; Fred Armentrout, Speedway, Ind. 6-1-36.0; Bob Jefferies, Shelbyville, Ind. 5-2-33.6.

CLASS C — David Tatman, Greenburg, Ind. 5-0-26.8; Jim Fourman, Arcanum, Ohio 4-1-28.8; Ervin Hodgdon, Lebanon, Ind. 3-2-27.6.

CLASS DD — Alfred Bills, Sr., Rushville, Ind. 6-1-38.0; Lavelle Hoban, Rushville, Ind. 6-1-38.8; Dick Dearing, Rushville, Ind. 5-2-37.6.

JUNIORS — CLASS A — Bruce Patterson, Rushville, Ind. 7-0-38.0; Stuart Sheppard, Rushville, Ind. 6-1-38.0; Chris Ridge, Franklin, Ind. 4-3-29.1.

JUNIORS — CLASS B — Scott Paugh, Rushville, Ind. 5-0-6.0; Steve Gall, Anderson, Ind. 4-1-3.5; Lorna Bills, Rushville, Ind. 2-3-4.0.

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1	Arkansas	4	64	New Jersey	37
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130	California, Southern	92	204	New York	51
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44	Connecticut	31	4	North Dakota	8
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50	Idaho	2	—	Rhode Island	—
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289	Indiana	175	77	South Dakota	3
141	Iowa Hawkeye	95	47	Tennessee	16
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88	Maine	27	113	Virginia	48
25	Maryland	11	400	Washington	80
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Frank Boggess 1973 West Virginia State Champion

(Report unavoidably delayed)

Frank Boggess of Charleston took top honors in West Virginia by winning Class A of the State Tournament held on the newly constructed courts at Ronceverte. His only loss came to runner-up Ralph Maddox of Poca. Ed Slaven of Ronceverte placed third.

Paul Myers of Moundsville took Class B honors with a perfect record of 6-0. Grover Anderson of Parkersburg showed that experience pays by winning the play-offs of a four-way tie in Class C. Dennis Unger of Berkeley Springs took the Class D title by winning the playoff and Clark Hanson of Asbury swept Class E. Connie Loudermilk of Frankford won the Women's Class with an untarnished record of 5-0.

CLASS A — Frank Boggess, Charleston 10-1-64.8; Ralph Maddox, Poca 9-2-70.9; Ed Slaven, Ronceverte 8-3-67.6; J. Boggess, Charleston 7-4-61.3; H. Barnett, Charleston 6-5-59.9; D. Marshall, Beckley 6-5-59.8; S. Bertrand, Moundsville 5-6-63.4; J. Cochran, Ronceverte 4-7-56.5; L. Lucas, Daniels 3-8-57.7; R. Cline, Beckley 3-8-55.6; D. Pugh, Glen Morgan 3-8-55.1; C. Shawver, Charleston 2-9-53.2.

CLASS B — Paul Myers, Moundsville 6-0-60.4; J. Massie, Beckley 5-1-50.5; C. Tankersley, Bradley 4-2-52.3; S. Unger, Berkeley Springs 3-3-52.3; R. Wade, Wadestown 3-3-50.3; G. Cochran, Ronceverte 1-5-50.5; R. Baker, Ronceverte 0-6-44.3.

CLASS C — Grover Anderson, Parkersburg 4-2-41.5; Roland Barnett, Charleston 4-2-45.9; K. Buchanan, Parkersburg 4-2-48.0; K. Chamberlain, Moundsville 4-2-46.0; H. Murry, Parkersburg 3-3-43.9; L. Francisco, Dunbar 1-5-35.1; A. Novel, Moundsville 1-5-29.9.

CLASS D — Kyle Loudermilk, Frankford 5-1-38.0; D. Unger, Berkeley Springs 5-1-39.8; A. Pratt, Parkersburg 5-1-34.4; C. Wigan, Parkersburg 3-3-35.1; L. Holliday, Ronceverte 2-4-27.3; R. Wiseman, Asbury 1-5-23.2; C. Clark, Moundsville 0-6-26.6.

West Virginia State — (Continued)

CLASS E — Clark Hanson, Asbury 6-0-32.5; Clyde Baker, Maxwelton 5-1-34.5; R. Frazier, Fayetteville 4-2-21.6; L. Baker, Maxwelton 3-3-20.0; B. Hanna, Frankford 2-4-14.2; F. Davis, Parkerburg 1-5-12.2; D. Cvetanovich, Moundsville 0-6-10.7.

LADIES CLASS — Connie Loudermilk, Frankford 5-0; Carol Carter, Ronceverte 4-1; Ann Baker, Ronceverte 3-2; Jean Clark, Moundsville 2-3; Mary Boggess, Charleston 1-4; Mildred Frazier, Fayetteville 0-6.

Bob Stowe "Stowes" Annual Higginsville, Mo. Cornbelt Open Crown

Bob Stowe of Centralia, Missouri, won the Higginsville, Missouri 5th Cornbelt Open with a 6-0 record and 69.1 average. Ray Plute of Warrensburg, Missouri was second with a 5-1 record and 65.9 average. Bill Kempfe of Alma, Missouri won the 3rd place trophy by defeating Earl Winston of LaMonte, Missouri in a play-off game.

CLASS A — B. Stowe 6-0-69.1; R. Plute 5-1-65.9; B. Kempfe 4-3-63.7; E. Winston 4-3-66.9; H. Gilmore 2-4-60.0; L. Greenlee 2-4-56.2; W. Winston 0-6-48.5.

CLASS B — F. Bates 6-1-60.4; H. Riggs 6-1-59.7; D. Harris 6-1-58.1; O. Ellerman 4-3-47.5; B. Moritz 3-4-49.4; J. Nichol 2-5-32.7; J. Wooden 1-6-28.1. The 3-way tie for first was decided by 100 shoe pitch-offs with Bates the winner.

CLASS C — B. Green 4-1-49.4; B. Winston 4-1-48.4; K. Winston 3-2-46.3; B. Johnson 2-3-52.6; V. Eikel 2-3-49.0; J. Edmonson 0-5-30.5. The 2-way tie for first had to be decided by percentage due to rain.

CLASS D — D. Heldenbrand 4-1-40.5; D. Stowe 4-2-39.1; H. Griffel 3-3-29.0; V. Cretzmeyer 2-3-25.0; M. Cordle 2-3-28.2; K. Wilsie 1-4-24.2.

CLASS E — F. Smith 5-0-30.1; B. Manning 4-1-24.7; N. Guild 3-2-23.3; D. Moore 2-3-20.5; W. Gill 1-4-22.0; J. Burnett 0-5-20.0.

CLASS F — G. Stephenson 4-1-14.1; L. Swigart 3-2-10.6; K. Swigart 2-3-10.6; B. Garrison 2-3-9.5; F. Scott 2-3-9.8; H. Heldt 2-3-5.7.

Thanks to all the pitchers who participated in this tournament despite the intermittent rains we had all week-end.

Dave Baker, Missouri State Champion Prevails

David Baker, the Missouri state champion, won the Chief Sarcoxie Days tournament held at Sarcoxie, Missouri. The tournament was managed by Ramon Carver, the first president of MoHPA.

CHAMPIONSHIP — D. Baker, Wentworth, Mo. 7-0; C. Gillmore, Plattsburg, Mo. 6-1; R. Frakes, Springfield, Mo. 5-2; A. Mogus, Bartlesville, Okla. 4-3; O. Elderman, Eldorado Springs, Mo. 3-4; F. Baker, Wentworth, Mo. 2-5; B. Moritz, Lamar, Mo. 1-6; L. Maggard, Reeds, Mo. 0-7.

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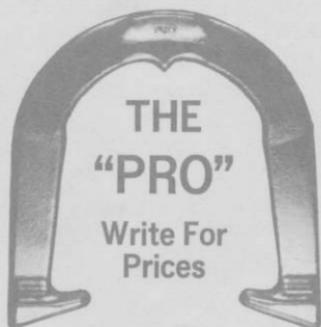
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