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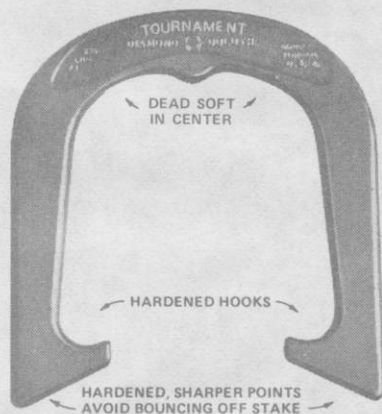
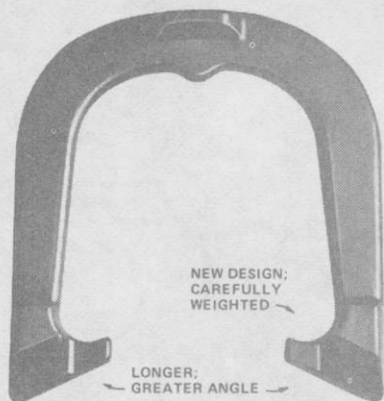




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NHPA President's Message

I AM HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HAS APPROVED AN NHPA CASH REBATE PROGRAM TO GO TO THE STATE ASSOCIATIONS WHO ARE AFFILIATED WITH THE NHPA AS FOLLOWS:

1. \$.50 CENTS REBATE FOR EACH NHPA MEMBER.
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THIS IS SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE DELEGATES AT THE LAFAYETTE CONVENTION. HOPEFULLY THIS WILL MOTIVATE MEMBERSHIP AND DIGEST SUBSCRIPTIONS.

(SUGGESTIONS WERE SUBMITTED BY BERNARD HERFURTH AND WALLY SHIPLEY.)
 Just a reminder of a few changes for the 1975 World Tournament.

1. Qualifying starts Friday, July 25, 8:a.m. (We would appreciate all local players and early arrivals to qualify early.)
2. Opening ceremonies 4 p.m., Monday, July 28.
3. Qualifying for men's division ends Tuesday, July 29, 3 p.m.
4. Evening Convention, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 29, ok'd by delegates in 1974.
5. Higher qualifying and entry fees in most divisions passed at 1974 convention.
6. Your Charter or State may be entitled to additional delegates this year due to change passed in 1974. Delegates please pick up your badge when you register. (Article II (Administration) Section 4 says:

All Association Presidents are to present the names of their delegation to the NHPA Secretary.

Might I also suggest it would be advisable if all State Associations reported their latest 1975 membership report to Ray Williams before start of the 1975 World Tournament. Your delegates will be based on your 1975 membership.

Again copies of the Convention Agenda and Proposed Constitution and By-Law changes will be available at the convention for you to follow. I strongly suggest all delegates read the proposed By-Law changes listed in the May issue of the Digest in order to be prepared to vote yes or no and save time.

As in 1974 I will have separate meetings with the Executive Council, Regional Directors and Hall of Fame Committee.

With the support and help of everyone I know we will again have a successful World Tournament. Good luck to all qualifiers.

Your Executive Council has approved a Proposed New Judging Tool. It has four (4) tools built in one piece as follows: Straight edge, calipers, six inch rule and a digger. I have sent a sample to Herb and Dorothy Pinch, who will get bids in manufacturing same. If the price is right, I will ask the delegates approval to add this item to our NHPA game related items. I will bring one to the convention for you to see.

I used this tool during a couple tournaments so I feel it really will sell. Imagine at local tournaments you can be your own judges. Sometimes we are lucky to have enough scorekeepers. This tool was designed by Arnie Mortenson from Southern California. Thanks, Arnie for your efforts and support of horseshoes.

My new address should include Apt. 42. PLEASE CORRECT YOUR RECORDS.

Sincerely,
 Wally Shipley

Special Notice

Due to the sudden and acute illness of the Digest Editor, the July issue is very late in being printed and mailed. All material not appearing including schedules of late fall events should appear in the next issue.

Peterson Wins First Oregon Tournament

It was a cold day in Hermiston, April 5th, for the Turkey Pitch and the warm weather pitchers didn't do so well. In Class A, Howard Peterson had easy going until he ran into Cletus Chapelle. It took him 94 shoes and about an hour to win that one. In Class B it was the State Ladies Champ that was the best cold weather pitcher.

Frank Rebman, in Class C, and Henry Hicks, in Class D, won easily. In the Junior Class it was a young lady from Oregon City, by the name of Sandy Bartel, that beat out the Junior State Champ and the ex-Junior State Champ for a clean sweep.

CLASS A — Howard Peterson, Portland 5-0-66.3; Cletus Chapelle, Portland 4-1-60.1; Abe Ediger, Salem 3-2-51.2; Barry Chapelle, Portland 2-3-46.6; Esthel Benner, Salem 1-4-43.4; Chuck Ball, Portland 0-5-39.8.

CLASS B — Fran Cooper, Hermiston 6-1-48.4; Jim Jones, LaGrande 5-2-37.5; Bill Hulshof, Portland 4-3-41.4; Calvin Simmons, Othello, Wn. 4-3-40.7; Cliff Parr, Portland 4-3-39.1; Lewis Routh, Pendleton 3-4-37.7; Russ Ball, Portland 2-5-34.9; Rick Rebman, Hermiston 0-7-28.1.

CLASS C — Frank Rebman, Hermiston 7-0-40.6; Bonnie Schuster, Hermiston 6-1-42.6; Irv Farron, Portland 4-3-35.5; Otis Wilcox, Hermiston 4-3-31.5; Gene Mitchell, Hermiston 3-4-34.8; Elmer Otnes, Oregon

CLASS C — (Continued)

City 2-5-32.2; Frank Furrer, Stanfield 2-5-23.6; Leonard Bartel, Oregon City 0-7-16.8.

CLASS D — Henry Hicks, Hermiston 7-0-34.4; Joe Woolman, Hermiston 5-2-30.4; Ed Taylor, LaGrande 4-3-28.5; Joe Jensen, Othello, Wn. 4-3-25.8; Jim Maine, Hermiston 3-4-23.3; Geo. Schuster, Hermiston 3-4-21.3; Pat O'Day, Portland 1-6-25.9; Geo. Gventner, Portland 1-6-17.1.

JUNIOR CLASS — Sandy Bartel, Ore. City 5-0-44.3; G. Schuster, Hermiston 4-1-40.1; S. Mitchell, Hermiston 2-3-29.9; M. Schuster, Hermiston 2-3-24.3; R. McLaughlin, Hermiston 2-3-13.0; B. Mitchell, Hermiston 0-5-6.1.

Annual Mississippi Valley Fair Tournament — August 3

The annual Mississippi Valley Fair Tournament will be held in conjunction with the fair on Sunday, August 3 in Davenport, Iowa. It will be open to anyone over 18 years of age. Over \$400.00 in premiums are offered. Trophies and ribbons will be awarded in all classes.

Qualifying round starts at 7:00 A.M. and closes at 11:00 A.M., match play starting at 12:00 noon.

All contestants must check in with the tournament clerk, and will be assigned to a court with 45 minutes for "warm up" and qualifying round.

There will be eight classes: A-B-C-D-E-F-G-H. Each class will consist of six contestants who will play a "round robin" to determine the winners.

Classes A-B-C-D will be 50 point games, followed by classes E-F-G-H, 35 point games.

All participants are eligible for two qualifying rounds, the first for a fee of \$5.00 and the second, if desired, for \$1.00. These fees are fully reflected in the cash premium offer recorded below. There are no other fees to participate, as determined by these qualifying rounds, and should there be more than 48 qualifiers no refund of fees will be made to those not qualifying.

(Grounds keepers have been retained to keep the courts in top shape throughout the tournament. This will speed up play and have the courts in equal condition for all competitors.)

Premium checks will be mailed to winners promptly after the tournament.

Everyone must purchase an outside gate ticket. Prices for the 1975 Fair have not as yet been established by the Fair Board. Announcement will be made in the press as well as in the Horseshoe Pitcher's Digest. Participants are also welcome to contact the Fair office if they have questions.

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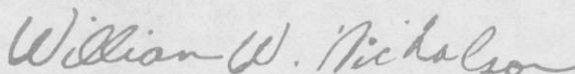
May 13, 1975

Dear Mr. Shipley:

On behalf of the President I wish to thank you for your letter of May 2nd renewing your invitation to him to attend the World Horseshoe Tournament July 25 through August 3rd in Lafayette.

The President appreciates your thoughtfulness in renewing this invitation but as the schedule for the summer has developed he will be unable to accept. He would like you to know, though, he appreciates your thoughtfulness for him and sends best wishes.

Sincerely,



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Deputy Director
Scheduling Office

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President
The National Horseshoe Pitchers
Association of America
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Orange, California 92668

World Tourney Motel Information

Campus Inn Now The Family Inn

For those of you who have made or plan to make World Tournament motel reservations, the Campus Inn listed in previous issues of the Digest, is now the Family Inn, although the sign in front still reads Campus Inn.

Under new management, the rates have also been lowered at this motel. Including tax they now read as follows:

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1975 World Tournament Brochure To Be Available

The Lafayette, Indiana Horseshoe Club is sponsoring the 1975 World Horseshoe Tournament, July 25 through August 3 at Riverfront Park in Lafayette, Indiana.

Fund raising in this year of 1975 is a major problem and frankly the Lafayette Club needs all the assistance it can get.

One of the major fund raising items will be the publication of the Official Tournament Program Brochure. It will be similar to and of the same high quality as previous World Tournament Brochures.

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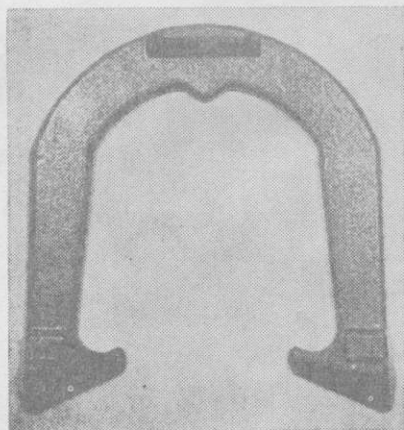
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Tennessee Season Opens With Two Tournaments

Roger Norwood, "the Tennessee State Champ", is off and running, averaging in the high 70's. His son "Tony" is challenging him also, averaging in the 70's.

Other pitchers that are coming on strong at the start of this year are O. D. Lebow, T. R. Little, A. J. Nave and Harley McCamey.

DOGWOOD ARTS FESTIVAL HELD AT KNOXVILLE

CLASS A — Roger Norwood 5-0-80.9; O. D. Lebow 4-1-66.4; Henry Self 3-2-59.6; Dexter Stallings 2-3-56.7; John Walker 1-4-43.7; J. B. Wells 0-5-43.2.

CLASS B — Jack Hammitt 5-0-54.8; Lewis Beach 4-1-45.6; Claude Wills 4-1-31.2; Wayne Self 2-3-31.0; Fred Gregg 2-3-24.7; Carl Miles 0-6-19.0.

CLASS C — J. Gregg 4-0-39.7; Bill Arms 3-1-31.7; Mark Norwood 1-3-22.2; James Davis 1-3-20.8; J. Porterfield 0-4-7.9.

CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE TOURNAMENT

CLASS A — Roger Norwood 5-0-76.2; Tony Norwood 4-1-72.7; Harley McCamey 3-2-64.8; A. J. Nave 2-3-67.4; T. R. Little 1-4-68.2; O. D. Lebow 0-5-65.7;

CLASS B — Jim Adkerson 5-0-59.6; Carl Montgomery 4-1-56.1; Mack Hatmaker 3-2-51.6; Dexter Stallings 1-4-48.1; James Brooks, Sr. 1-4-43.5; James Brooks, Jr. 1-4-36.0.

CLASS C — Carl Miles 2-0-25.3; Mark Norwood 1-1-23.8; Franklin Fritts 0-2-17.6.

Florida State Tournament Won By Levi Miller

Levi Miller of Sarasota captured the top honors of the day in the annual Florida State Horseshoe Tournament as he posted 8 wins and only 1 loss. Levi came through in the clutch ringing the stake 354 times out of 598 pitches for a 59.2 ringer percent average. This was Levi's first time to win the Florida State Crown and he pitched like a champion.

Dwight Thatcher of Brooksville captured the Class B honors, winning all his games and coming through with a fine ringer percent average of 52.1. Other winners were Harvey Hochstetler of Sarasota in Class C, Ronnie Ronemus in Class D, and Ken Peer of Sarasota in Class E.

County Commissioner John Saba and County Park Director Walter Rothenbach were on hand to take part in the opening ceremonies, and received a fine welcome of applause from the participants and spectators for their efforts in getting the courts and park in excellent condition for the meet.

Leo McGrath, the 1st Vice President of the NHPA, was on hand to take charge of the scoring and recording the results. And, as always, Leo came through with a fine outstanding job.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
Levi Miller Sarasota	8	1	59.2
Gene Rademacher, Plant City	6	3	63.7
Ted Penridge, Venice	6	3	59.6
Troy Harrison, Lakeland	6	3	59.4
Bill Keegan, Live Oak	6	3	56.1

Roger Poutanen, Ft. Myers	5	4	59.8
Dick Ferguson, Sarasota	4	5	58.6
Bill Riley, Bradenton	3	6	55.9
John Rademacher, Plant City	forfeited		
Jack Fahey, Bradenton	forfeited		

CLASS B — Dwight Thatcher, Brooksville 7-0-52.1; Willard West, Miami 5-2-51.7; Chris Hansen, Sarasota 4-3-48.1; Duaine Whitmer, Winter Haven 4-3-48.0; Marion Collins, Dunedin 3-4-43.0; Bill Wade, Lehigh Acres 2-5-46.3; Charlie Pitton, Clearwater 2-5-43.0; Bill Whaley, Sarasota 1-6-41.6.

CLASS C — Harvey Hochstetler, Sarasota 7-1-47.9; Earle Morris, Plant City 7-1-39.9; Bob Widdersheim, Clearwater 6-2-45.2; George Buskey, Tarpon Spgs. 5-3-42.6; Henry Mullet, Sarasota 3-5-40.5; Ken Reeb, Winter Haven 3-5-39.6; Oscar Gaudette, N. Smyrna Beach 2-6-40.4; Frank Stites, Bradenton 2-6-37.6; Howard Hawes, Bunnell, 1-8-31.1.

CLASS D — Ronnie Ronemus, Bradenton 5-2-38.3; Dick Weigel, Clearwater 5-2-40.9; Raymond Shade, Sarasota 5-2-37.4; Stan Bates, Sarasota 4-3-32.6; Earle Johnson, Bradenton 4-3-27.7; Lee Davis, Seminole 3-4-29.4; Bill Packard, Venice 2-5-32.6; Doyle Langford, Ormond Beach 0-7-9.2.

CLASS E — Ken Peer, Sarasota 5-1-39.6; Ross Hitchcock, Bradenton 5-1-34.4; Ed Tausch, Bradenton 4-2-29.7; Gary Fryer, Sarasota 3-3-24.1; Norm Gaseau, Clearwater 2-4-26.6; Russ Adcock, Bradenton 2-4-25.1; Joe Gietek, Nokomis 0-6-7.1.

COVER PICTURE . . . Shown this month beside his 55 inch trophy is Wilbur Kabel of New Madison, Ohio, winner of the Men's Class A championship in the Seventh Annual Carolina Dogwood Festival Open Tournament held in Statesville, North Carolina with a 13-2 record and a 67.6 ringer percentage average.

Tom Brownell Returns Home After Surgery

Tom Brownell of 2244 Bello Avenue, San Jose, California, who recently underwent serious surgery, has returned home and is convalescing.

Tommy will be remembered by many of the pitchers who played in World Tournaments of past years, as one of the top pitchers. In the 1948 World Tournament, held at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, he subdued Zimmerman, Isais, Allen and Casey Jones in the order of their appearance. He lived in New York at that time.

He has always been a great competitor.

He would welcome a card to cheer him during his convalescence. His home address is listed above.

Ted Allen's Brother Ira, Very Seriously Ill

Ira Allen of O'Neals, Calif. 93645, is very seriously ill. He probably would be glad to hear from any of his friends in the game, especially in California.

He has the use of only 15% of one kidney, none from the other.

He was a big winner in tournaments in Colorado in the 1920's, Oregon in 1932, and California in later years.

His last entry was the 1963 World Tournament in South Gate, California, playing in Class A after several years of absence.

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Geo. Sales Top Winner In Eastern Indiana Open

CLASS AA—George Sales, New Castle 7-0-68.5; George Grubb, Richmond 5-2-61.4; Jerry Wood, PIHC 5-2-57.6; Estel Bills, Connersville 3-4-53.4; Wayne McClintock, Anderson 3-4-51.4; Jack Andres, Lafayette 2-5-44.8; John Gall, Anderson 2-5-44.2; Clarence Andrews, Centerville 1-6-37.2.

CLASS A — Claude Estelle, Indpls 7-1-66.0; Jim Kemple, Rushville 6-2-58.8; Lonnie Mullins, Muncie 5-2-57.1; Kenny Perkins, Rushville 4-3-55.0; Lloyd Keller, Franklin 3-4-46.2; Ron Volz, Batesville 2-5-39.7; Bob Moit, Indpls, 1-6-48.6; Elmer Parshall, Richmond 1-6-35.7.

CLASS BB — Darrell Glover, Sr., Rushville 7-0-55.1; Jim Pierson, Mooresville 5-2-50.0; Wayne Waggoner, Seymour 5-2-48.0; Bob Sheppard, Rushville 3-4-41.7; Francis Passmore, Richmond 2-5-46.5; Randell Martin, Osgood 2-5-46.0; Charlie Sission, Greenwood 2-5-44.5; John Hamilton, Connersville 2-5-39.7.

CLASS B — Jack Andres, Lafayette 6-1-47.4; Carl Sizemore, Connersville 5-2-40.6; Ken Burkhart, Bargersville 5-2-38.6; Maurice Duncan, Greenwood 4-3-41.7; Preston Frye, Connersville 3-4-38.9; Glen Whiteaker,

CLASS B — (Continued)

Lafayette 3-4-32.0; David Crebbs, Goshen 1-6-34.3; Lowell Dearing, Greenfield 1-6-32.9.

CLASS CC — Jack Riedeman, Indpls 5-2-44.5; Harold Tatman, Greensburg 5-2-44.5; George Addison, New Castle 5-2-44.2; Doyle Mink, Indpls 5-2-44.2; Lora Pearman, Newport 4-3-32.0; Albert Neihaus, Connersville 2-5-27.4; James Sturgeon, Richmond 2-5-24.8; Al Bills, Sr., Rushville 0-7-21.7.

CLASS C — Ardin Chaney, Richmond 7-0-32.6; Lloyd Karstens, Rushville 5-2-21.0; William Moistner, Richmond 4-3-22.0; John Jamison, Richmond 4-3-21.3; Sam Huffman, Rushville 3-4-27.0; Larry Bills, Rushville 3-4-18.0; Gary Pearman, Newport 2-5-25.3.

JUNIOR A — John Passmore, Richmond 6-0-83.7; John Riedeman, Indianapolis 3-3-46.7; Vick Moistner, Richmond 2-5-38.3; Al Bills Jr., Rushville 2-5-34.0.

JUNIOR B — Anthony Lucas, Connersville 5-0-19.0; Steve Bills, Connersville 4-1-10.5; Lorna Bills 2nd, Rushville 3-2-11.0; Steve Gall, Anderson 2-3-5.0; Debbie Bills, Connersville 1-4-4.0.

Bob West Winner In Corvallis, Ore. Open Tournament

CLASS A—Bob West, Scappoose 7-0-80.1; Lowell Davis, Creswell 6-1-69.5; Howard Peterson, Portland 5-2-70.3; Jim Burke, Albany 4-3-66.5; Cletus Chapelle, Portland 3-4-57.2; Vic Joyner, Philomath 2-5-56.7; Les Phillips, Dallas 1-6-46.3; Randy Burke, Albany 0-7-49.7.

CLASS B — Ron Miller, Woodburn 5-0-68.7; Charles Wendling, Scio 4-1-47.6; Esthel Benner, Salem 3-2-50.2; Tom McAdam, Lebanon 2-3-45.7; Ray Schiedler, Silverton 1-4-41.6; Len Christensen, Harrisburg 0-5-37.8.

CLASS C—Russ Ball, Portland 7-1-41.9; Bill Luehring, Corvallis 6-2-38.1; Cliff Parr, Portland 5-2-42.2; Vern Wanless, McMinnville 4-3-41.1; Irv Farron, Portland 3-4-37.6; Ray Meyer, Salem 2-5-32.5; Floyd Gray, Corvallis 1-6-34.3; Ted Zwickl, Corvallis 1-6-25.7.

CLASS D — Elmer Otnes, Oregon City 5-0-43.3; Mike Wendling, Lebanon 4-1-38.5; John Franich, Milwaukie 2-3-27.3; Pat O'Day, Portland 2-3-26.7; Henry McGrew, Albany 1-4-29.3; Leonard Bartel, Oregon City 1-4-22.7.

CLASS E — Norm Christensen Eugene 6-2-36.9; Bob Sowa, Silverton 5-2-33.8; Art Bionda, Portland 5-3-28.3; Charles Christensen, Harrisburg 4-3-28.0; Joe Cameron, Portland 4-3-27.9; John Rotan, Albany 4-3-23.5; Garland Slater, Albany 1-6-20.7; Carl Shoberg, Lebanon 0-7-18.9.

LADIES CLASS — Phyllis Joyner, Philomath 4-1-38.2; Frances Phillips, Dallas 2-2-40.0; Sandy Bartel, Oregon City 2-2-36.6; Ethel Davis, Creswell 0-3-5.0.

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Kabel Wins Annual N. Carolina Dogwood Festival Open

Wilbur Kabel of New Madison, Ohio won the Men's Class A championship of the 7th Annual Carolina Dogwood Festival Open Tournament held on the 16 lighted, paved horseshoe court facilities at Statesville, North Carolina. Kabel had a 13-2 record and a 67.6 ringer percentage average. Strong winds from a southern hurricane kept the scores low. The Dogwood Festival Tournament was another thriller up until the final match of the 16 man round robin Men's Class A tournament. Cecil Monday, the Virginia state champion, was leading the Class A group until near the end when Roger Norwood, the defending champion from Knoxville, Tennessee ended up in second place. Norwood had a 12-3 record and a 73.7% and Monday had a 12-3 record and a 70.7%. Monday settled for third place, and Tony Norwood (Roger's son, who is also from Knoxville, Tennessee) placed fourth with a 12-3 record and a 66.5%. Floyd Toole, the Arkansas state champion from Little Rock, Arkansas, placed fifth with a 10-5 record and a 67.4%. Kabel received a 55 inch trophy and \$100.00 cash prize money. Trophies and prize money were awarded to the top five. Opal Reno of Lucasville, Ohio, won the Women's Class A championship. Reno won in a pitch-off with Katherine Harrison of Hamilton, Ohio and Betty Marsh of Stony Point, North Carolina, who also ended with 4-1 records. Reno won over Marsh 53 to 40 with a 60.5%. Marsh ended with a 50%. Reno then went on to defeat Katherine Harrison 50 to 36 to take the Class A Women's title with a 69% to Harrison's 64.7%. Trophies were awarded to the top five. Cash awards were also given to the Women's Class A and Men's Class B divisions. The Men's Class B division was won by Gil Lebow of Knoxville, Tennessee, who finished with a 6-1 record and a 58.7%. The Travel Trophy, which is awarded to the individual who traveled the longest distance to enter the tournament, was given to Marv. Richmond of Pequot Lakes, Minnesota. Richmond's estimated traveling miles was in the neighborhood of 1,400 miles total. The state of Ohio, with 32 participants, won the state trophy. Ten states were represented in the tournament.

Leo McGrath, of Cincinnati, Ohio, was also on hand to serve as the official. McGrath is the First Vice-President of the National Horseshoe Pitcher's Association. The Tournament Committee, sponsored by the Statesville Recreation Department, was headed by Jack Springer, Director of Recreation; J. T. Goforth, Gurney York, Donald Douglas, Villa Sloan and Rose Keul. Several of the participating horseshoe pitching families commented that they enjoyed the parade and many other special events of the festival and remarked that the overall festival was very entertaining.

MEN'S DIVISION

CLASS A

	W	L	%		W	L	%
Wilbur Kabel - Ohio	13	2	67.6	Donald Douglas - N. C.	7	8	59.3
Roger Norwood - Tenn.	12	3	73.7	Elmer Harrison - Ohio	5	10	59.5
Cecil Monday - Va.	12	3	70.7	A. J. Nave - S. C.	5	10	56.5
Tony Norwood - Tenn.	12	3	66.5	Marv Richmond - Minn.	4	11	58.3
Floyd Toole - Ark.	10	5	67.4	Tommy Bellow - Va.	4	11	55.3
O. D. Lebow - Tenn.	10	5	59.7	Willard West - Fla.	4	11	52.1
Kenny Kugler - Ohio	9	6	64.5	Jack Walker - Va.	3	12	53.7
Max Roseberry - Ohio	8	7	59.1	Dexter Stalling - Tenn.	2	13	46.3

CLASS B — Gil Lebow, Tenn. 6-1-58.7; Dick Thatcher, Fla. 6-1-57.6; Gurney York, N. C. 5-2-54.8; J. E. Brooks, Ga. 4-3-50.3; Norwood Ramey, Ohio 3-4-48.4; Grady Whaley, Tenn. 2-5-48.2; Jim McCombs, Ohio 2-5-46.8; Gene Reno, Ohio - forfeit.

CLASS C — Arnold Lester, Ill. 6-1-61.5; Levi Miller, Ohio 6-1-59.3; Luther Wagner, N. C. 6-1-55.5; Otto Reno, Ohio 4-3-52.7; Wilber Dall, Ohio 4-3-41.5; Flake Dyson, N. C. 2-5-44.7; James Brooks, Fla. - forfeit; Pete Seagraves, N. C. - forfeit.

CLASS D — Floyd Hix, Va. 5-1-54.4; Ray McFarland, Jr. Ohio 5-1-48.9; H. Oney, Ohio 3-2-41.8; Jim Dunkerly, Ohio 2-3-49.6; Rufus Pegram, N. C. 1-4-38.5; Billy Gibby,

CLASS D — (Continued)

N. C. - forfeit; Maurice Rodacker, Ohio - forfeit.

CLASS E — George Neff, Ohio 6-1-42.1; C. P. Monday, Va. 6-1-44.1; John Brown, Ohio 5-2-37.3; James Burrow, N. C. 4-3-30.0; Bill Coley, N. C. 3-4-33.3; Jesse Grim, Va. 3-4-26.7; Dean Routon, Va. 1-6-31.5; Jim Mauney, N. C. - forfeit.

CLASS F — Darrell Avanette, N. C. 7-0-29.6; Steve Cornett, N. C. 6-1-28.6; Dan Isacs, N. C. 5-2-36.4; Ricky Seagraves, N. C. 4-3-21.3; Robert Britton, Va. 3-4-17.5; Robert Matthews, N. C. 1-6-9.7; Aaron Kirk, Ohio 1-6-8.3; Kenny Monday, Va. 0-7-5.2.

Dogwood Festival — (Continued)**WOMEN'S DIVISION**

CLASS A — Opal Reno, Ohio 4-1-60.5; Katherine Harrison, Ohio 4-1-65.2; Betty Marsh, N. C. 4-1-50.3; Janet Reno, Ohio 1-4-50.3; Lynn Harrison, Ohio 1-4-50.0; Ruth Kirk, Ohio 1-4-49.0.

CLASS B — Thelma Neff, Ohio 3-0-37.7; Jackie McCombs, Ohio 2-1-42.5; Lorine Carter, N. C. 1-2-39.3; Ava Brown, Ohio 0-3-28.4.

JR. GIRLS — Audrey Reno, Ohio 5-0-32.7; Sandra Marsh, N. C. 4-1-21.6; Margaret Marsh, N. C. 3-2-14.8; Lorna Reno, Ohio 2-3-13.7; Juanita Marsh, N. C. 1-4-11.6; Bernice Harrison, Ohio 0-5-8.4.

JR. BOYS — Ronald Walker, Va. 5-0-60.9; Ray McFarland, Jr., Ohio 4-1-46.4; Mark Norwood, Tenn. 3-2-42.5; Wayne Brooks, Ga. 2-3-29.1; Jay St. Pierre, Ga. 1-4-26.5; Erwin Brooks, Ga. 0-5-11.3.

Harris Tops In Pike County (Ohio) May Indoor Open

CLASS A — Ted Harris 6-1-63.2; Bill Henn 5-2-67.9; Kenny Dawes 5-2-65.6; Gene Reno 3-4-58.6; Gary Roberts 3-4-55.2; Stan Manker 3-4-55.0; Joe Pillion 2-5-52.5; Earl Waggoner 1-6-52.5.

CLASS C — Danny Penn 9-0-39.8; Claude Crabtree 7-2-44.5; Levi Leeth 7-2-38.7; Gene Crabtree 5-4-37.7; Winnie Woods 5-4-36.4; Elmer Altman 5-4-35.9; Howard Jarrells 3-6-31.2; John Dickson 2-7-26.5; Ronald Penn 2-7-19.8.

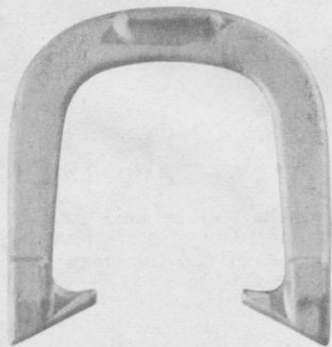
CLASS B — Levi Miller 7-0-57.5; Earl Noe 6-1-44.4; Ken Waggoner 5-2-42.1; George Moon 4-3-46.5; Columbus Brickles 4-3-41.9; Orval Cross 2-5-32.7; Cliff Hannah 1-6-24.3.

CLASS D — Tim Penn 4-1-20.3; Kenny Roberts 3-2-22.0; Bill Williams 3-2-20.9; John Roberts 3-2-19.0; Ernest Hamilton 2-3-18.7; Dave Diehl 0-5.

Skinner Play-Off Winner In New Jersey Warm-Up

Under a sunny sky and 75 degrees, the New Jersey Warm-Up Tournament was held at Branch Brook park, in Newark, N. J. on May 11. Thirty-two pitchers took part, with the final result being a play-off between Ron Vogel, Nick Lysy and Tom Skinner. Tom Skinner took first place. Tournament was directed by Al Cherry, Paul Puglise and Harry Schmidt.

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New Jersey Warm-Up — (Continued)

CLASS A — Tom Skinner, E. Orange, N. J. 5-2-55.4; Nick Lysy, Hightstown, N. J. 5-2-57.1; Ron Vogel, Middlesex, N. J. 5-2-59.1; Ted Lewis, Millville, N. J. 3-4-47.1; Dale Eberhart, Middlesex, N. J. 3-4-46.8; Bill Kolb, Belleville, N. J. 3-4-45.7; Vince Yanetti, Bound Brook, N. J. 2-5-48.2; William Herrman, Clark, N. J. 2-5-41.7.

CLASS B — Jim Reed, Oldwick, N. J. 7-0-51.1; Al Ravencraft, Newark, N. J. 6-1-50.1; Jim Burd, Califon, N. J. 5-2-42.6; Ray Shober, Newfield, N. J. 3-4-42.6; Ed Severs, Vincentown, N. J. 3-4-40.5; Al Price, Cranford, N. J. 3-4-40.2; Daryl Fithian, Borden-town, N. J. 1-6-36.2; Claude White, E. Orange, N. J. 0-7-32.3.

CLASS C — Leroy Knotts, Linden, N. J. 6-1-41.7; Al Ward, Carlstadt, N. J. 5-2-42.1; Hal Christensen, S. Plainfield, N. J. 5-2-36.1; Ed Brault, Middlesex, N. J. 4-3-25.4; Vince DeMico, Cranford, N. J. 3-4-30.2; Jeanette Kenneren, Bound Brook, N. J. 3-4-28.2; John Tamburo, Wayne, N. J. 2-5-24.8; William Ray, E. Orange, N. J. 1-6-23.7.

CLASS D — Frank Coruan, Union, N. J. 7-0-27.4; Alan Apgar, Middlesex, N. J. 6-1-23.4; John Cottell, Wayne, N. J. 5-2-28.2; Fred Strandskov, N. Cadwell 4-3-27.7; Harry Schmidt, Jersey City 3-4-14.2; Newton Apgar, Middlesex, N. J. 2-5-16.5; Simile, Maplewood, N. J. 1-6-13.4; T. Risberg, Middlesex, N. J. 0-7-10.5.

Al Lord Eases Through Maine Spring Warm-Up

Al Lord swept all nine games with comparative ease. Doug Kienia, 1974 World Junior Champ, now pitching with the men, pitched 59.7% and finished 4th. Ron Thibeault swept the Junior boys with a 6-0 record with a 62.7%. Connie Berube won the Women's division with a 6-0 record at 30.9%. Anita Berube won Class A girls with a 6-0 record of 22.4%. This was Maine's first tourney of the year.

CLASS A — A. Lord 9-0-67.9; P. Tobey 7-2-59.1; R. Boudreault 7-2-55.3; D. Kienia 6-3-59.7; L. Cameron 5-4-55.8; M. Courtois 3-6-48.7; C. Simmons 3-6-47.8; A. Allen 3-6-41.7; H. Masse 2-7-46.4.

CLASS B — S. Bisbee 6-1-48.2; P. Gallant 5-2-43.7; C. Hewett 5-2-43.7; G. Bonnevie 4-3-41.4; N. Foster 3-4-41.9; C. York 2-5-39.0; D. MacVane 2-5-33.5; L. Roy 1-6-38.4.

CLASS C — A. Gallant 6-1-42.0; R. Harri-man 6-1-34.7; B. Theriault 4-3-40.0; H. Reid 4-3-35.3; R. Griffin 3-4-34.8; R. Tardiff 3-4-32.1; R. Theriault 2-5-30.8; W. Files 0-7-31.3.

CLASS D — R. Parker 7-0-50.3; W. Hood 5-2-37.4; L. Lafrance 4-3-38.0; F. Conant 4-3-35.2; P. Clark 3-4-34.2; R. Bolduc 3-4-31.7; W. Wright 2-5-32.8; W. Scribner 0-7-19.3.

CLASS E — H. Thiboutot 7-2-31.3; R. Colford 7-2-36.7; D. Richards 7-2-34.6; H. Smith 6-3-34.3; C. Dionne 5-4-26.8; G. Bowden 4-5-32.5; L. Roux 4-5-27.0; G. Bolduc 4-5-26.9; W. Pateneau 3-6-25.8.

CLASS F — H. McLaughlin 7-0-36.4; J. Flagg 5-2-29.5; B. York 5-2-26.6; A. Warner 5-2-24.7; W. Blouin 3-4-23.9; W. Barrett 2-5-17.3; H. Berube 1-6-20.2; S. Heilmann 0-7-9.4.

JUNIOR BOY'S CLASS A — R. Thibeault 6-0-62.7; B. Simmons 3-3-48.3; B. Kienia 3-3-39.0; H. Berube 0-6-14.6.

JUNIOR GIRL'S CLASS A — A. Berube 6-0-22.4; L. Pateneau 4-2-17.4; C. Berube 1-5-7.1; D. Verrill 1-5-4.2.

WOMEN'S CLASS A — C. Berube 6-0-30.9; B. Verrill 4-2-27.6; A. Pateneau 2-4-25.0; J. Miller 0-6-5.5.

Annual 10-Day Iowa State Fair Tourney — Aug. 15 To 24

The annual 10-day Iowa State Fair Tournament will be held August 15 through August 25 at Des Moines, Iowa fairgrounds. Out of state players are invited to take part in the Open Singles, August 16-17 and the Open Doubles on August 19 and 21.

Beckley, W. Va. Open — August 9 And 10

The Beckley Open will be held at New River Park in Beckley, West Virginia, on August 9 and 10. Pitchers may use their highest tournament average for the past year if published in the Digest or may qualify on Beckley Courts until noon on Saturday, August 9. Entry fee will be \$5.00 for Class A and \$3.00 for all other classes. There will be 4 classes with trophies for winner and runner-up in each class. A total of \$200.00 cash plus entry fees will be awarded.

In Memoriam

Due to the death of James Burns of Chattanooga, Tennessee on December 31, 1974 the Tennessee Association suffered the loss of a vivid horseshoe pitcher. James was a 3-times winner of the Tennessee State Championship. He was also a former champion of the South Eastern Classic of Winston-Salem, North Carolina. James pitched a 1¾ turn. He threw a low, fast and hard shoe but was very active and accurate with it. He averaged 75% or more during his tournaments. He was also winner of several tournaments held in various cities of Tennessee. He was one of the left handers of which Tennessee has four very good ones.

We in Tennessee extend our sympathy to the family of this good horseshoe pitcher.

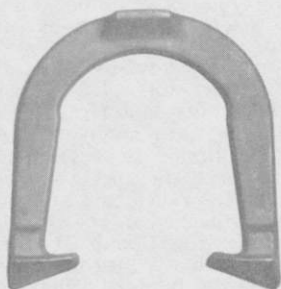
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The sudden passing of Ray Gillen at the De Sota Open on March 20, saddened all our hearts. Ray was born in Warren, Ohio and moved to Sarasota three years ago from Newton Falls, Ohio. He was a retired inspector for Republic Steel. He is survived by his wife Frances. Ray was a fine gentleman and sportsman. He shall be remembered this way.

Stockton Open Lures 84 Entrants As Gonzales, Gates And J. Williams Grab Top Honors (No. Calif.)

A crush of horseshoe enthusiasts swept into Stockton on a bright sunshiny day in April to do battle for trophies and horseshoe supremacy. The entry total of 84 included 64 men, 8 women, and 9 juniors, and when the thirsty clay had

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been rejuvenated, watered, patted and covered for the night, Jesse Gonzales, the diminutive flip-flop artist from Southern California had emerged as top man in the championship flight. Jesse won all 7 games in the 50-shoe, 8-man round-robin, posted a 77.7% tournament average, and pitched the high game of the day — 86%. Bill Weathers, Northern California Champ from Turlock, was second with a 5-2 record. Group I went to Bill Vines, tough twirler from Turlock, who compiled a 6-1 record. Fred Cates of Grass Valley grabbed 2nd with 5-2. Vines pitched a 77% game enroute to the group win. Group II was won by Pete Manitone of Sacramento in a play-off over Arnie Coleman of the host club 39-21. Other group finals were: Glen Casey — Group III; Ernie Hall — Group IV, Ernie Norton, John Tillery — Group V; Bob Kays, John Imfeld — Group VI, Oscar Farmer, Roy Chase — Group VII; Sam Franks, Melvin Long.

CHAMPIONSHIP GROUP — Jesse Gonzales, SCHPA 7-0-77.7; Bill Weathers, Turlock 5-2-64.6; Fred Lavett, Seaside 4-3-65.4; Monte Latino, Sacramento 4-3-62.0; Jack Seymour, Golden Gate 3-4-64.6; Al Crabtree, Turlock 2-5-58.0; Horace Vinsant, R.E.H.P.C. 2-5-57.1; Lloyd Potter, San Jose 1-6-52.3.

GROUP 1 — Bill Vines, Turlock 6-1-57.7; Fred Cates, Grass Valley 5-2-52.6; Oscar Statham, Stockton 5-2-50.9; Bob Hanlon, Sonoma 3-4-48.9; Herb Rushing, Grass Valley 3-4-45.1; Boyce Miller, Reno 2-5-43.1; Tom Webb, Rio-Del Scotia 2-5-42.5; W. Ray Williams, Auburn 2-5-36.3.

GROUP 2 — Pete Manitone, Sacramento 7-1-47.8; Arnold Coleman, Turlock 6-2-45.8; Roland Pilon, Seaside 4-3-40.9; Jack Parnell, Grass Valley 4-3-37.4; Bob Mazey, Sonoma 4-3-36.9; Lou Pitney, Seaside 3-4-34.3; Wayne Chambers, Golden Gate 1-6-39.4; Monty Jones, Grass Valley 0-7-26.3.

GROUP 3 — Glen Casey, Turlock 6-1-43.1; Ernie Hall, Unaffiliated 5-2-37.7; George Wilton, Reno 4-3-34.6; John Metrogen, Sacramento 4-3-30.3; Jim Adams, Turlock 3-4-32.0; Tom Keys, Sacramento 2-5-36.6; Millard Miller, Turlock 2-5-34.9; Cliff Johnson, Sacramento 2-5-34.3.

GROUP 4 — Ernie Norton, Sacramento 5-2-34.0; John Tillery, Stockton 4-3-34.6; Bob Belden, Sacramento 4-3-32.9; Bill Henry, Seaside 4-3-30.9; Ernie Kim, Mosswood 4-3-29.7; Jim Koop, Turlock 3-4-28.9; Ed Bruins, Sacramento 2-5-35.4; John Howell, Sacramento 1-6-28.2.

GROUP 5 — Bob Kays, Turlock 6-2-32.7; John Imfeld, SCHPA 5-3-29.0; Larry Galven, Stockton 4-3-31.4; C. R. Williamson, Stockton 4-3-30.0; Curt Ervin, Stockton 3-4-26.5; Ed Anderson, Stockton 3-4-24.2; Glenn Kelly, Sacramento 3-4-22.2; Jim Arnold, Turlock 1-6-19.1.

GROUP 6 — Oscar Farmer, Stockton 7-1-31.0; Roy Chase, Turlock 6-2-27.5; Leonard Edwards, Sacramento 5-2-27.2; Bill Camp, Golden Gate 3-4-26.9; Ray Sandoval, Turlock 3-4-24.0; Ed Dunn, Reno 3-4-18.0; James Long, Sacramento 2-5-27.1; Paul Johns, Turlock 0-7-19.2.

GROUP 7 — Sam Franks, Sacramento 6-1-24.0; Melvin Long, Sacramento 5-2-22.9; Duane Brewer, Sacramento 5-2-20.0; Don Westreicher, Turlock 5-2-20.0; Lee Thornhill, Sacramento 3-4-18.3; John Mandich, Stockton 3-4-15.4; Jim Castle, Stockton 1-6-8.6; Bill Frades, Stockton 0-7-1.8.

WOMEN'S GROUP — Stella Gates, Seaside 8-1-40.4; Flora Jones, Grass Valley 6-2-39.0; Lucie Hanlon, Sonoma 6-2-38.0; Barbara Hicok, Stockton 4-3-27.1; Virginia Sturla, Turlock 3-4-10.3; Francis Van De Veere, Turlock 2-5-4.3; Helen Adams, Turlock 1-6-3.1; Rhonda Moon, (Jr. girl) San Jose 0-7-4.0.

JUNIOR BOY'S GROUP 1 — Jeffery Williams, Auburn 5-0-76.8; Walter R. Williams, Auburn 4-1-71.6; Roy Statham, Stockton 3-2-47.6; Brian Pitney, Seaside 1-4-38.0; Jonathan Williams, Auburn 1-4-26.0; Nathan Williams, Auburn 1-4-20.9.

GROUP 2 — Mike Borrenkott, Seaside 3-0-27.0; John Di Giovannini, Seaside 2-1-21.0; Frank Sears, Seaside 1-2-19.0.

In this venture will be used by the group for a tour to the East Coast in 1976, the Bicentennial year.

In the Women's conflagration, former State Champ, Stella Gates, emerged only slightly battered after a 3-way play-off to take the ladies title with an 8-1 record. Flora Jones, California Champ, was 2nd, losing in the final play-off game to Stella 32-24. Stella defeated Lucie Hanlon in the first play-off game 33-13.

In the always tough Junior Boys Division, Jeffrey Williams blasted brother Walter Ray in an incredible final game with a 88% peg blistering performance to win all 5 games. Walter Ray placed second, averaging 71.6% to Jeffreys 76.8%.

Fred Lavett's up and coming contingent of Junior Boys from Seaside impressed the spectators with their fast improvement, and Mike Borrenkott basked in the limelight by winning the Group II Junior Boys title with a 3-0 record. Second place went to John Di Giovannini with Frank Sears placing third.

The Stockton-Lodi Central Valley Council of Campfire Girls Bicentennial Tour Group kept score throughout the tournament in preparation for the scorekeeping chores at the up-coming State Tournament to be held in Stockton, August 29, 30, 31. The money made

Jack Fahey Wins Florida Bee Ridge Open

Jack Fahey captured the top honors for the evening in the Bee Ridge Open held May 3 in Sarasota, Florida. After winning a play-off game over Roger Poutanen. This was the last tournament on the Florida schedule for the 1974-1975 season and 29 pitchers were on hand for the event.

Other winners were Bill Wade of Lehigh Acres in Class B; Dick Weigel of Clearwater in Class C, and Glenn Johnson of Bradenton in Class D. This was Wade's first victory in tournament play and he came through in flying colors, winning 5 and losing 1, posting a ringer percent average of 47.6.

Bob Widdersheim and Dick Weigel took charge of the scoring and came through with a fine job.

CLASS A — Jack Fahey, Bradenton 6-1-61.3; Roger Poutanen, Ft. Myers, 6-1-59.0; Bill Keegan, Live Oak 5-2-57.3; Dick Ferguson, Sarasota 5-2-57.3; Chris Hansen, Sarasota 3-4-48.0; Charlie Pitton, Clearwater 2-5-45.3; Bob Widdersheim, Clearwater 1-6-33.0; Ted Penridge, Venice, forfeit.

CLASS B — Bill Wade, Lehigh Acres 5-1-47.6; Harvey Hochstetler, Sarasota 4-2-47.0; Bill Whaley, Sarasota 3-3-44.6; Earle Grable, Bradenton 3-3-39.3; Duaine Whitmer, Winter Haven 2-4-45.6; Ken Reeb, Winter Haven 2-4-44.3; Henry Mullet, Sarasota 2-4-41.3.

CLASS C — Dick Weigel, Clearwater 7-0-50.5; Bill Packard, Venice 4-3-32.2; Ross Hitchcock, Bradenton 4-3-31.7; Ken Peer, Sarasota 4-3-28.0; Bill King, Sarasota 3-4-32.2; Raymond Shade, Sarasota 3-4-30.2; Les Peary, Bradenton 2-5-30.2; Lee Davis, Seminole 1-6-28.2.

CLASS D — Glenn Johnson, Bradenton 4-1-40.0; Earle Johnson, Bradenton 4-1-31.5; Stan Bates, Sarasota 3-2-34.0; Joel Berrall, Orlando 2-3-31.0; Russ Adecock, Bradenton 2-3-25.5; Henry Spiess, Bradenton - forfeit.

John Rademacher Wins Florida Suncoast Open

John Rademacher of Plant City emerged the victor in the Suncoast Open as he won the play-off game over his son Gene in a closely matched contest. Other winners were Les Long in Class A, Duaine Whitmer in Class B, Maurice Rodocker in Class C, Ronnie Ronemus in Class D, Ed Schuetz in Class E, and Ray Gillen in Class F.

CLASS AA — John Rademacher 4-1-70.5; Gene Rademacher 4-1-65.9; Mark Freeman 3-2-57.6; Joe Holland 2-3-53.9; Marv Richmond 1-4-55.4; Bernard Herfurth 1-4-49.7.

CLASS A — Les Long 5-1-53.7; Levi Miller 4-2-57.7; Chalmers McClain 4-2-47.0; Dwight Thatcher 3-3-45.8; Swen Bowman 2-4-48.0; Dick Ferguson 2-4-45.5; George Buskey 1-5-45.4.

CLASS B — Duaine Whitmer 4-1-44.3; Ken Drury 3-2-42.2; Oscar Gaudette 3-2-41.0; Ken Reeb 3-2-40.0; Clyde Faulk 2-3-34.4; Dick Weigel 0-5-32.5.

CLASS C — Maurice Rodocker 6-1-44.7; Frank Stites 5-2-45.8; Marion Collins 4-3-47.2; Opal Corbet 4-3-39.2; Charlie Pitton

CLASS C — (Continued)

3-4-45.5; Ken Brooks 3-4-44.6; Royce Wruke 3-4-37.7; Harvey Hochstetler 0-7-35.1.

CLASS D — Ronnie Ronemus 4-1-41.2; Henry Mullet 3-2-42.0; Bob Widdersheim 3-2-38.8; Lee Davis 3-2-38.7; Roy Gravnik 1-4-35.0.

CLASS E — Ed Schuetz 4-1-36.6; Bob Graham 4-1-32.8; Ross Hitchcock 3-2-33.4; Earle Johnson 3-2-32.7; Ed Tausch 1-4-26.7; Milton Myhre 0-5-23.2.

CLASS F — Ray Gillen 4-1-22.0; Ivan Gilman 3-2-25.1; Pat O'Tool 3-2-24.2; Don Marsh 3-2-20.8; Joe Berrall 2-3-17.7.

Annual Rapidan, Minn. Open — August 16-17

The annual Rapidan Open Tournament will be held on August 16-17 at the Rapidan school grounds in Rapidan, Minnesota.

Send season ringer average or tournament average and entry fee of \$6.00 to Arnold Erickson, Rte. 1, Box 299-A, Mankato, Minnesota 56001, phone: 507-546-3839. Make entry payable to Rapidan Horseshoe Club.

All classes will be 8-man and as many classes as are needed. Boys class for 16 years and under. Entry fee \$2.00. Cash prizes or trophies will be awarded to the top three in all classes.

Players will be notified when they will play. There will be a lunch stand on the grounds.

Copeland Wins Brevard Open In Florida

Ansil Copeland of Ohio captured the Brevard Open after beating Troy Harrison of Lakeland, Fla. in a close play-off game 51 to 47. Curt Bestul of Eau Claire, Wisconsin grabbed the 3rd place honors. In Class B, P. Peterson of Orlando captured the 1st place honors with Duaine Whitmer of Winter Haven coming in 2nd, and Mel Sloan of Deland taking 3rd. In Class C, Norm Gaseau, our State Secretary, took the honors with J. Lukse of Ormond Beach placing 2nd, and J. Wagner of Melbourne coming in 3rd.

CLASS A — A. Copeland, Ohio 6-1-61.0; T. Harrison, Lakeland 6-1-58.0; C. Bestul, Wisconsin 4-3-52.0; B. Riley, Bradenton 4-3-50.0; L. Miller, Sarasota 4-3-48.0; D. Thatcher, Brooksville 3-4-45.0; E. Morris, Lakeland 1-6-36.0; L. Davis, Seminole 0-7-31.0.

CLASS B — P. Peterson, Orlando 6-1-45.0; D. Whitmer, W. Haven 5-2-42.0; M. Sloan, Deland 5-2-39.0; D. Baker, Melbourne 5-2-37.0; H. Hawes, Bunnell 3-4-34.0; E. Rosser, W. Va. 3-4-32.0; O. Corbett, Orlando

CLASS B — (Continued)

1-6-31.0; L. Adams, Titusville 0-7-25.0.

CLASS C — N. Gaseau, Clearwater 6-2-29.0; J. Lukse, Ormond Beach 5-3-34.0; J. Wagner, Melbourne 5-3-33.0; G. Rankin, Deland 5-3-30.0; D. Langford, Ormond Beach 5-3-29.0; J. Berrell, Orlando 5-3-25.0; J. Gietek, Nokomis 3-5-11.0; J. Wago, N. Smyrna Beach 1-7-17.0; C. Rosser, Palatka 1-7-15.0.

Mortensen Captures Baldwin Park, Calif. Handicap

By Bill Cessna

The 5th Annual Baldwin Park, Calif. Handicap Tournament was held May 24th and 25th.

The founder of this popular tournament, the late Clem Birkenbach, would have been pleased by the full turn-out which we had this year. Clem, an expert horse handicapper for many years, was fond of saying, in his kindly and gentle way, with not the least hint of disparagement, that "horseshoe players have a lot in common with horses when it comes to the art of handicapping; hard to figure from one tournament to the next". But he managed to come pretty close. A couple of years ago, in a tournament consisting of nineteen players, nine of those players wound up the tournament with nine wins and nine losses. Clem usually started this tournament with words that went something like this: "Boys, there are no pigeons in this tournament. Nobody is going to go through this tournament schedule without some losses. I am ready to give 20 to 1 odds to anybody who thinks he can predict the winner of this tournament." So far as I know, this challenge was never accepted.

This year's winner was Arnie Mortenson with a win/loss record of 18/5 and an average of 63.4 percent for the tournament. Arnie has been pitching for years, but he is relatively new to our competition circuit here in Southern California. He is improving with each tournament and we expect him to become a tough A pitcher during this current year.

With a twin loss record of 6 games, 2nd place in the tournament was shared by Newell (Sand-bagger) Flann and John (Rain Dancer) Walker. We predicted Newell at 54 percent and he double-crossed us by averaging 58.5 percent. John (Rain Dancer) Walker is on the comeback trail and he was a cause of much concern to us when it came to figuring his probable percentage. We predicted 71 percent; he performed at 73.5 percent. All of you fellows who show up at Lafayette are going to have to listen to the Rain Dancer's sorry tale about a cheap psych trick that cost him the tournament but I will be there to let you know that, if there is any truth at all to his story, it certainly wasn't a cheap trick (it cost him \$150.00). The truth of the matter is that he had his chance again later when he met Arnie (The Champ) and he failed the test.

Tied for fourth place (7 losses) were Mahlstedt and Art Amador at 50.5 and 46.1 percent, respectively. Hal Slagg had sixth place (8 losses) all to himself at 47.9 percent. Jim Weeks and Harry Morse shared 7th place (9 losses) at 63.6 and 42.8 percent; Walt Krowel took 9th place (10 losses) with 50.4 percent. Tenth place (11 losses) was shared by Wally (who in the hell is he?) Shipley, Larry Ford, and Earl Kerr. Their averages: 30.8, 40.2, and 42.4 percent, respectively.

At this point we ran out of prize money so we aren't even going to mention the names of all of the losers in this tournament.

We Beg Your Pardon

The George Johnson Special was reported as having been played at the Rushville Indoor Courts, however this was not the case. This very successful tournament was played at the Speedway Courts in Speedway, Indiana. Much credit is due this fine club in putting on such a successful meet. Again, we are sorry for our error.

Warren Lunz, Minnesota's Man Of The Year

The annual East Horseshoe League MAN OF THE YEAR banquet was held the latter part of February in Amboy, Minnesota. About 85 were in attendance for the 8:00 P.M. dinner.

Arnold Erickson, East Horseshoe League President, was M.C. for the evening. Five candidates for the man of the year award were presented to the group. They were: Warren Lunz, St. James; Gene Erickson, Rapidan; Paul Lund, Mapleton; Berdette Teigland, Blue Earth, and John Stolt, Nicollet.

Points were given on the basis of ringer increase, number of games played or attended, work done within the club and for interest shown in the East League and other activities.

By virtue of having the most points, Warren Lunz was awarded "The Man of the Year" honors.

Archie Anderson, President of the Southwest Horseshoe Leagues, and his wife, Mildred, were invited guests and Archie gave a short talk. Also a guest for the banquet was Larye Ambrose and his wife May. Larye gave a talk on the upcoming Minnesota State Horseshoe Tourney to be held on Labor Day weekend at Jackson, Minn. The tourney will be held indoors.

Berdette Teigland, Blue Earth W. Fed. was chairman of the MAN OF THE YEAR committee.

Second Annual Coal Festival Open — Sept. 6 And 7

The Second Annual Coal Festival Open will be held at New River Park, in Beckley, West Virginia, on September 6 and 7. There will be 3 classes for men and 1 class for women. Pitchers may use their highest tournament average published in the Digest during the past year or may qualify until noon on Saturday, September 6. There will be no entry fee. Two trophies in each class and a total of \$200.00 will be awarded at the tournament.

Michelcic Master At Colusa Class B Open (No. Calif.)

The new Colusa Club (the 17th Northern California Club), held their first tournament on the Colusa fairgrounds courts on April 20th and Vallejo's Al Michelcic (Northern California Class C Champ) proved to all opponents that he is indeed a mighty tough hombre by taking 6 of 7 games, losing only to

GROUP I — Al Michelcic, Vallejo 6-1-48.5; Herb Rushing, Grass Valley 5-2-49.1; Boyce Miller, Reno 5-2-42.0; Lee Bousfield, Grass Valley 4-3-38.8; Pete Manitone, Sacramento 4-3-37.7; Harry Lucas, Sacramento 3-4-41.7; Ray Williams, Auburn 1-6-36.2; Don Wheeler, Mosswood 0-7-34.8.

GROUP II — Earl Compton, Sacramento 7-0-46.2; Ernie Hall, Unaffiliated 5-2-37.8; Robert Mauzey, Sonoma Co. 4-3-42.5; Clair Benthin, Vallejo 4-3-35.7; Rich Fernandes, Turlock 4-3-33.3; James Long, Sacramento 2-5-23.1; Leonard Edwards, Sacramento 2-5-22.5; Harley Harris, Stockton 0-7-20.2.

Herb Rushing of Grass Valley, the 2nd place finisher. Herb lost a couple of close games to team member Lee Bousfield and to Boyce Miller of Reno to fall off the pace at 5 wins, 2 losses, but managed the tournament high percentage of 49.1 and the high game of 58%.

Earl Compton of Sacramento was in the groove all day and only one opponent came within 15 points at the end of the 50 shoe games, as he won 7 straight and averaged 46.2% for the day in Group II. Ernie Hall finished second at 5-2. Earl pitched the high game of the day — 58%. Complete results are shown above.

1975 Strawberry Festival Tournament — Plant City, Fla.

Sixty pitchers participated in the Annual Strawberry Festival Tournament held at the Plant City, Florida Fairgrounds on Friday and Saturday, March 7th and 8th. Sunny skies were in order, although brisk winds were also present. Gene Rademacher of Plant City won the Championship trophy and the \$50.00 first prize. Other winners were Dick Ferguson in Class B, Marion Collins in Class C, Royce Wrucke in Class D, Duaine Whitmer in Class E, Ed Schuetz in Class F, and Ivan Gilman in Class G. Leo McGrath with John Rademacher and Norman Gaseau handled the paper work.

It happens once each year, you knew it had to be a success. Pow-Wow Day at Seminole, Florida promised to be a day long to be remembered; not only for the Seminole Horseshoe Club, but for NHPA and the Florida State Association as well.

At 9:30 A.M. things really got rolling with all pitching in to help with the many chores that are required to run a successful tournament, the little things like scoring, setting up of schedules, spading the courts, and keeping the records. The job that must be done, that players demand but seldom assist in or even know is going on. 42 of the 50 entries showed up for this nationally sanctioned tournament and displayed the team work and cooperation symbolic of the type of people that charm the stakes here in this wonderful state.

All the trophies were donated by local businesses and the City of Seminole. Donors were: City of Seminole, Holiday Village Mobile Home Park, Hooks Funeral Home, Barney's 70th Ave. Garage and Chapel Hill Memorial Park.

CLASS A FINALS

	W	L	%		W	L	%
G. Rademacher, Fla.	3	0	63.4	A. Copeland, Ohio	1	2	61.9
T. Harrison, Fla.	2	1	66.7	M. Freeman, Mich.	0	3	55.5

CLASS A-1 — A. Copeland, Ohio 5-0-64.8; M. Freeman, Mich 4-1-56.5; Jack Fahey, Ky. 3-2-56.3; J. Holland, Mich. 2-3-58.3; Les Long, Ill. 1-4-54.0; Abe Austin, Ill. 0-5-55.0.

CLASS A-2 — G. Rademacher, Fla. 4-1-64.7; T. Harrison, Fla. 3-2-63.0; M. Richmond, Minn. 3-2-59.5; Wm. Keegan, Fla. 3-2-56.8; L. Miller, Fla. 2-3-54.7; W. West, Fla. 0-5-43.2.

CLASS B — R. Ferguson, Fla. 6-1-55.4; S. Gillespie, Ind. 6-1-48.6; R. Poutanen, Fla. 5-2-53.1; D. Thatcher, Fla. 3-4-53.7; S. Bowman, Wis. 3-4-52.4; C. Pitton, Fla. 3-4-48.7; C. McClain, Ill. 2-5-51.7; K. Reeb, Fla. 0-7-44.2.

CLASS C — M. Collins, Fla. 6-1-42.4; R. Widdersheim, Fla. 5-2-42.3; E. Morris, Fla. 4-3-39.8; H. Hochstetler, Fla. 4-3-39.7; H. Marlin, Tenn. 4-3-37.8; M. Rodocker, Ohio 2-5-33.8; H. Johnson, Ill. 2-5-29.9; O. Gaudette, Fla. 1-6-34.3.

CLASS D — R. Wrucke, Wis. 7-0-48.0; R. Wilson, Fla. 6-1-45.4; H. Mullett, Mont. 5-2-40.6; O. Corbet, Fla. 3-4-35.7; E. Brakeman, Fla. 2-5-36.9; F. Stites, Fla. 1-6-40.6; R. Duff, Ohio 2-5-33.7; E. Anderson, Canada 1-6-40.6.

CLASS E — D. Whitmer, Fla. 7-0-49.7; E. Ronemus, Fla. 4-3-38.0; E. Johnson, Fla. 4-3-27.1; L. Davis, Fla. 3-4-35.4; F. Sirak, Pa. 3-4-32.9; F. Bogardus, Fla. 3-4-27.1; R. Weigel, Fla. 2-5-35.6; Red Benton, Fla. 2-5-31.7.

CLASS F — E. Schuetz, Wis. 6-1-30.0; H. Hawes, Fla. 5-2-32.0; E. Tausch, Fla. 5-2-30.3; R. Graham, Fla. 4-3-28.9; J. Berrell, Fla. 3-4-30.0; D. Langford, Fla. 2-5-22.3; F. Armentrout, Ind. 2-5-16.9; R. Crawford, Iowa 1-6-20.0.

CLASS G — I. Gilman, Fla. 6-1-31.1; P. O'Toole, Fla. 5-2-29.4; N. Gaseau, Fla. 5-2-24.0; B. York, Maine 3-4-26.9; R. Gillen, Fla. 3-4-22.9; M. Myhre, N. D. 3-4-20.9; D. Marsh, Fla. 2-5-24.9; J. Wago, Fla. 1-6-19.1.

First Annual Ringers Only Open Tournament, O'Fallon, Missouri — August 16 And 17

Rain dates: August 30th and 31st. Entry date closes August 2. Three trophies each class — 50 shoe games. Send ringer percentage **ONLY** in a 100 Shoe Qualifying Score, along with a \$5.00 entry fee to Greg Marter, No. 90 Country Life Dr., O'Fallon, Mo. 63366 — **NO REFUNDS.**

Saturday, August 16th schedule: Class AA — 9:00 A.M. — Championship Class 11:30 A.M. Class AAA — 2:00 P.M.

Sunday, August 17th schedule: Class C — 9:00 A.M.; Class A — 11:30 A.M.; Class B — 2:00 P.M.

Holland Edges Copeland For Seminole, Fla. Pow-Wow Title

Seminole Mayor Ralph Fawcett was present to award the tournament championship trophy and Mayor's Award to Joe Holland, Lake Orion, Michigan, who had a hair-raising play-off game with A. B. Copeland of Ohio in the Class A competition. Class B ended in a three-way battle-royal with Bill Riley of Bradenton, Florida emerging victor over Les Long, Illinois, and George Hale, New York. Duaine Whitmer, Winter Haven, had little trouble in reaping the first place honors of Class C. Harvey Hochstetler, Sarasota, Fla., made the boys of Class D examples of his prowess while winning all his games and the class. Bob Widdersheim of Clearwater, ever improving, has few problems in his conquest of Class E. Royce Wrucke of Wisconsin, returning to near true form, won the Class F competition by outclassing his opponents handily. Not to be outdone or left on the sidelines in a fine Class G group, a determined Ivan Gilman of Wisconsin, won all his games while compiling a respectable 35 percent average. Adding to the pleasantries was the fact that all classes were given three prizes.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
Joe Holland, Michigan	4	1	60.0
A. B. Copeland, Ohio	4	1	68.0
Abe Austin, Illinois	3	2	58.8
Levi Miller, Sarasota	2	3	57.2
Mark Freeman, Michigan	2	3	50.0
Marv Richmond, Minnesota	0	5	49.6

CLASS B

	W	L	%
William Riley, Bradenton	3	2	55.6
George Hale, New York	3	2	48.8
Les Long, Illinois	3	2	52.4
Dwight Thatcher, Brooksville	2	3	58.0
Dick Ferguson, Sarasota	2	3	52.0
Swen Bowman, Wisconsin	2	3	51.2

CLASS C — Duaine Whitmer, Winter Haven 4-1-48.8; Speed Gillespie, Indiana 3-2-48.0; Vern Holland, Michigan 3-2-44.0; Charlie Pitton, Clearwater 2-3-44.0; Andy Panico, Ohio 2-3-35.6; Swen Bowman, Wisconsin

CLASS D — Harvey Hochstetler, Sarasota 5-0-42.8; Marion Collins, Dunedin 3-2-46.0; Ken Reeb, Winter Haven 3-2-44.8; Henry Mullett, Sarasota 2-3-37.2; Frank Stites, Bradenton 1-4-38.0; Harvey Johnson, Illinois 1-4-32.8. 1-4-35.2.

CLASS E — Bob Widdersheim, Clearwater 4-1-45.2; Maurice Rodocker, Ohio 3-2-38.0; E. Brakeman, St. Petersburg 3-2-35.6; Vilko Mack, Louisiana 2-3-41.2; Ed Schuetz,

CLASS E — (Continued)

Wisconsin 2-3-31.4; Dick Weigel, Clearwater 1-4-36.0.

CLASS F — Royce Wrucke, Wisconsin 5-0-36.8; Ed Tausch, Bradenton 3-2-32.8; Ed Peters, St. Petersburg 3-2-32.0; Andy Doshna, Clearwater 2-3-30.0; Earle Johnson, Bradenton 2-3-28.8; Fred Armentrout, Indiana 0-5-14.8.

CLASS G — Ivan Gilman, Wisconsin 5-0-35.0; P. O'Toole, Ontario, Canada 3-2-32.0; Bruce York, Maine 3-2-21.2; Ray Gillen, Sarasota 2-3-22.8; Norman Gaseau, Clearwater 1-4-22.0; Tom Keltner, Clearwater 1-4-10.8.

Laurelhurst Open At Portland, Ore. Won By H. Peterson

CLASSES D, E, and F were incomplete because of the rain, however, awards were given for first and second place.

In Class D Bill Luehring and Mark Cooper were tied with a 4 and 1 record. Luehring won first with a flip of the coin.

In Class E Bob Showers won first with a 5-0 record. Wilbur Haskins tied with Pat O'Day and Arlie McSwane and won second by percentage. In Class F, John Franich was first, and Les Roberts, second.

CLASS A — Howard Peterson, Portland 6-1-71.4; Lauren Hill, Ames 5-2-67.4; Vic Joyner, Philomath 4-3-66.9; Ridge Leggett, Roseburg 4-3-65.8; Cletus Chapelle, Portland 4-3-64.2; Ron Miller, Woodburn 3-4-67.0; Les Phillips, Dallas 2-5-59.8; Barry Chapelle, Portland 0-7-53.9.

CLASS B — Willis Terry, Portland 7-1-57.0; Chuck Ball, Portland 6-2-54.1; Howard Abbott, LaGrange 5-2-50.7; Esthel Benner, Salem 4-3-50.0; Jim Alexander, Washington 3-4-48.2; Ken Leatherman, Portland 3-4-46.8; Ray Schiedler, Silverton 1-6-39.4; Leonard Christensen, Harrisburg 0-7-36.5.

CLASS C — Bernard Martel, Portland 7-0-44.0; Jim Kosterman, Washington 4-3-45.8; George Hartloo, Stayton 4-3-41.8; Cliff Parr, Portland 4-3-36.9; Rick Rebman, Hermiston 4-3-35.8; Russ Ball, Portland 3-4-32.8; Vern Wanless, McMinnville 2-5-35.4; Elmer Ottes, Oregon City 0-7-31.6.

LADIES CLASS — Dorothy McSwane, Washington 5-0-60.7; Sandy Bartel, Oregon City 4-1-56.6; Fran Cooper, Hermiston 2-3-44.0; Phyllis Joyner, Philomath 2-3-39.1; Ruth Gregg, Portland 1-4-39.4; Frances Phillips, Dallas 0-5-44.8.

National Horseshoe Pitcher's Association Annual Audit

May 21, 1975

National Horseshoe Pitchers
Association of America

Fellow Horseshoe Pitchers:

In conformity with generally accepted accounting procedures, we present herewith the financial transactions of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association of America for the fiscal year April 1, 1974 thru March 31, 1975.

Contained herein are the following documents.

Income and Expense Distribution Analysis
Notes and Analytical Information
Digest Subscriptions
Historical Membership and Digest Subscription Analysis
Cash Reconciliation

We prepared the audit on a basis consistent with that of the prior year and fairly presented all information which was supplied.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES L. SOLOMON

SOLOMON ACCOUNTING SERVICE

Income And Expense Distribution Analysis

April 1, 1974 Thru March 31, 1975

INCOME AND EXPENSE DISTRIBUTION ANALYSIS

APRIL 1, 1974 THRU MARCH 31, 1975

INCOME AND EXPENSE - DIGEST		
Digest Subscriptions	7,676.70	
Digest Advertising	1,148.44	
Digest First Class Mail	1,564.51	
Advertisers Fees & Stamps	1,280.00	
Total Digest Income		11,669.65
Digest Printing	8,891.43	
Digest Postage & Supplies	3,675.30	
Editor's Fee	450.00	
Total Digest Expense		13,016.73
Digest Loss		(1,347.08)
INCOME AND EXPENSE - GAME RELATED ITEMS		
SALES		21,143.68
COST OF SALES		
Inventory Beginning	10,918.97	
Purchases	19,781.52	
	30,700.49	
Inventory Ending	16,935.12	
Cost of Sales		13,765.37
Gross Profit		7,378.31
EXPENSES		
Sales Representatives		
Allowance		1,938.00
Telephone		63.40
Bond		18.00
Refunds		210.69
Postage & Freight		1,337.74
Supplies		415.19
Total Expenses		3,983.02
Net Profit		3,395.29

Income And Expense Distribution Analysis — (Cont.)**INCOME AND EXPENSE - WORLD TOURNAMENT**

Entrance Fees	3,514.00	
Host Club Bid	7,500.00	
Total Income		11,014.00
Salaries	400.00	
Prizes	10,271.86	
Convention	983.88	
Office	2,254.83	
Advertising & Promotion	375.00	
Total Expenses		14,285.57
World Tournament Loss		(3,271.57)

INCOME AND EXPENSE - OTHER

Membership Fees	11,441.00	
Isolated Sales	502.68	
Miscellaneous	273.40	
Total Income		12,217.08
Office Expense	2,088.88	
Advertising & Promotion	653.48	
Audit	150.00	
Insurance & Bond	56.00	
Hall of Fame Plaque	442.34	
Equipment & Supplies	1,604.21	
Secretary Allowance	1,409.80	
Refund	16.80	
Total Expenses		6,421.51
INCOME - OTHER		5,795.57
NET GAIN OF ASSOCIATION FOR YEAR		<u>4,572.21</u>

Notes And Analytical Information**DIGEST**

An analysis of the Digest information produced the following facts:

1. Subscriptions for 1974 were 1,025 at \$3.50 each producing \$3,587.50 plus first first class mail at \$997.62.

Subscriptions for 1975 were 795 at \$5.00 each producing \$3,975.00 plus first class mail at \$566.89.

	Subscriptions	Cash
1974	1,025	4,585.12
1975	795	4,541.89
	<u>230</u>	<u>43.23</u>

As you can plainly see the difference of 230 members results in only \$43.23 loss of revenue. Also, remember that this report covers only the first 3 months of 1975 and anticipated membership for 1975 was projected at a 50% loss because of the price increase.

2. As per the Digest subscription analysis schedule we can see the following information.

There were 32,600 Digest copies printed during this fiscal year. The cost to print them amounted to \$8,891.43 and mailing, etc., amounted to \$3,674.70.

Single copy cost is as follows:

Cost to print $\$8,891.43 \div 32,600 = .2727¢$

Cost to mail $\$3,674.70 \div 32,600 = .1127¢$

Total Cost Per Copy3854¢

3. We have discovered one major problem in our analysis of the Digest subscriptions. As you can see from the schedule depicting the historical data of subscriptions and members, approximately 2,000 subscribers should be getting the Digest monthly. Why do we have 2,700 Digests printed monthly? We have repeatedly asked this question of any and all personnel connected with producing and printing the Digest and have had absolutely no answers from them. We are sure that you, like us, want to know why there are about 600 to 700 additional Digests printed each month and only about 2,000 of them paid for. Where are these Digests going, and why is the association not getting paid for them?

We would strongly recommend that we be given the authority to investigate this situation and be given any and all information pertinent to this problem.

Notes And Analytical Information — (Continued)

GAME RELATED ITEMS

Since the request for a physical inventory has been complied with and ably handled by Don Koso, Herb Pinch and Ray Williams, we are now able to present a concise Profit and Loss Statement with relation to game related items.

WORLD TOURNAMENT

We again produced a loss on the holding of the World Tournament. As we did in a prior audit, we must again point out that the Host Club Bid accepted should always be the highest bid with acceptable courts and conditions.

OTHER INCOME AND EXPENSE

An analysis of the mebership fees show the following:

1973	98	@	\$1.50	147.00
1974	3,996	@	\$1.50	5,994.00
1975	1,060	@	\$5.00	5,300.00
Total Fees Received				11,441.00

Just looking at the above figures will prove to you that the raising of the dues for 1975 has definitely accomplished its purpose. Compare 3,996 members for 1974 @ \$1.50 each, producing \$5,994.00 with 1,060 members for 1975 @ \$5.00 each producing \$5,300.00. Approximately one-fourth of the members have produced almost all of the fee of 1974 in total.

The final result is shown as total income other of \$5,795.57.

COMMENT:

After perusing and analysing all of the information made available to us, we have come to the conclusion that the National Horseshoe Pitcher's Association is finally starting to progress in the right direction. But it is going to require all of you helping along the way as much as you possibly can by your suggestions, by your working and by your votes.

Digest Subscriptions — April 1, 1974 To March 31, 1975

	Month	Amount	Pages	Cost	Mailing Etc.
Apr. 26, 1974	May	2,700	32	627.10	313.60
May 17, 1974	June	2,700	32	627.10	307.20
June 28, 1974	July	2,800	40	799.05	292.00
July 18, 1974	Aug.	2,800	40	794.55	318.60
Aug. 28, 1974	Sept.	2,800	48	1,001.73	321.30
Sept. 20, 1974	Oct.	2,700	32	627.10	301.00
Oct. 18, 1974	Nov.	2,700	48	956.40	282.40
Nov. 20, 1974	Dec.	2,600	40	771.55	332.60
Dec. 23, 1974	Jan.	2,700	32	636.10	293.20
Jan. 17, 1975	Feb.	2,700	32	631.60	320.80
Feb. 14, 1975	Mar.	2,700	32	631.60	297.20
Mar. 19, 1975	Apr.	2,700	40	787.55	294.80
		32,600	448	8,891.43	3,674.70

Historical Membership And Digest Subscription Analysis 1967 Thru 1974-1975

Fiscal Year	Dues Paying Members	Digest Subscriptions
1967 - 68	3,331	1,612
1968 - 69	3,899	1,486
1969 - 70	3,983	1,494
1970 - 71	4,410	1,945
1971 - 72	5,423	2,388
1972 - 73	4,991	1,998
1973 - 74	4,044	2,114
1974 - 75	5,154	1,820

EDITOR'S NOTE — No magazines are being mailed that are not paid for.

Cash Reconciliation — March 31, 1975

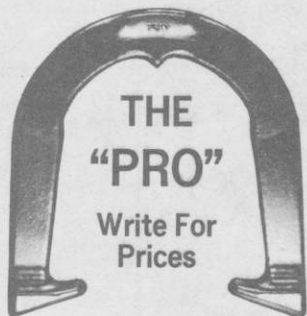
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Less: Outstanding Checks	2,653.15
	9,071.10
Book Balance	8,190.24
Add: Receipts	44,349.29
	52,539.53
Less: Disbursements	43,468.43
	9,071.10

COMING EVENTS

- July 11-12-13 — Open Tournament, Fulton County Fairgrounds, Wauseon, Ohio. Old timers on July 11, Fee \$3.00. Must be over 60 years. Deadline July 1.
- July 12-13 — Annual Illinois State tournament, Lincoln Park courts, Rte 150 north, Galesburg, Illinois.
- July 13 — Des Moines, The Iowa Open (sanc.) Birdland Park. Register by 10 a.m. Finals at 10:30 a.m. Lower classes first. Fee \$4.00. Trophies & Cash prizes. Contact Gene McNamar, 2414 E. 39 St., Des Moines, Iowa 50317.
- July 19 — Annual Pike County Fair tournament, Fairgrounds, Pleasant Hill, Illinois.
- July 20 — Creston, Open at McKinley Park. \$4.00 fee. Start 10 a.m. Contact Art Reed, 604 W. Mills, Creston, Iowa 50801.
- July 25 thru Aug. 3 — 1975 World Tournament, Lafayette, Indiana.
- July 26-27 — Oskaloosa, (Non-Sanc.) Open at Southern Iowa Fair Grounds. \$3.00 Entry fee each day. Also 50-shoe ringer contest each day. Contact Leonard L. Williams, Box 345, New Sharon, Iowa 50207.
- Aug. 2 — Keosauqua, Open at Van Buren Co. Fairgrounds at 1:00 p.m. Contact Boyd Kislung, Stockport, Iowa 52651.
- Aug. 3 — Annual Mississippi Valley Fair tournament, Fairgrounds courts, Davenport, Iowa.
- Aug. 3 — Bussey, Open (Non-Sanc.) at City Park. Qualify till 10:30 a.m. Finals 11 a.m. Trophies and cash. Men, Ladies & Jrs. Food at courts. Contact Leslie Plum, Bussey, Iowa 50044.
- Aug. 7 — Afton, Union County Fair Open. Cash prizes. Start 11 a.m. Contact Bernard Ricker, RR2-A, Afton, Iowa 50830.
- Aug. 9 — Eldon, Wapello County Fairgrounds. Contact Howard Fite, RR, Floris, Iowa 52560.
- Aug. 9 — Corydon, Finals at Noon. Contact Charles Cook, Box 146, Corydon, Iowa 50060.
- Aug. 10 — 17th Annual Galesburg National Open, Lincoln Park courts, Route 150 North, Galesburg, Illinois.
- Aug. 10 — Winterset, Madison County Fair Open, (sanc.) 10 a.m. Starting with Lower Classes and Women. Trophies for 1st and 2nd place in each class. Contact Floyd Underwood, 906 South 4th Ave., Box 226, Winterset, Iowa 50273.
- Aug. 12-13 — Illinois State Fair tournament, State fairgrounds, Springfield, Illinois. Qualify at courts, 8:00 a.m. Aug. 12. till noon.
- Aug. 15-16-17 — Iowa State Tournament. Ladies championship starts.
- Aug. 16-17 — Burlington, Corn Belt Open, (sanc.) Contact Harold Darnold. Same as for May 25 Tourney.
- Aug. 16-17 — Annual New York State Tournament, Outwater Park courts, Lockport, New York.
- August 16-17 — Ringers Only Tournament, O'Fallon, Missouri. Entry fee of \$5.00 (no refund) should be sent to Greg Marter, 90 Country Life Dr., O'Fallon, Missouri 63366 by August 2 or phone 314-272-4890. Starting time 9:00 A.M. both days.
- Aug. 16-17 — Annual Rapidan Open tournament, Rapidan, Minnesota.
- Aug. 17 — Annual Topeka Club tournament, Gage Park courts, Topeka, Kansas. open to all pitchers living in county that touches Shawnee county. Trophies. 50-points or 50-shoes.
- Aug. 18 — Mound City Open, Mound City, Mo. Scores to Stanley Brickey, RFD, Mound City, Mo.
- Aug. 23-24 — Annual Mingo Junction Open, Steelmark courts, Mingo Junction, Ohio.
- Aug. 23-24 — Annual Nebraska State Tournament, Falls City, Nebraska.
- Aug. 30-31 - Sept. 1 — Fifth Annual Maritime Moosehead Championships, Moncton Arena, Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada.
- Aug. 31 - Sept. 1 — Wyoming State Tournament, Washington Park, Laramie, Wyo. Entry \$3.00. Deadline entry date Aug. 25. Start 9 a.m. Aug 31. Contact G. E. Bind-schadler, 520 So. 12th St., Laramie, Wyo. 82070. Closed.
- Aug. 31 - Sept. 1 — Annual Ohio State tournament, City Park courts, Greenville, Ohio.
- Aug. 31 - Sept. 1 — Labor Day Open. Fee \$5.00. Boys, Aug. 30, 6:00 p.m. Fee \$1.50, Age 16 and under. Deadline, Aug. 20.
- Sept. 6-7 — Ohio Central District Tournament, Hebron, Ohio, NHPA card required.
- Sept. 7 — Fairbury Open tournament (2nd) Fairbury, Nebraska. Contact Jacob Isaac, 2208 3rd St. Fairbury Nebraska 68352.
- Sept. 7 — Annual Monmouth Open, Monmouth Park courts, Monmouth, Illinois.
- Sept. 20-21 — Polar Bear, Sanctioned. Fee \$6.00. Deadline Sept. 9.
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