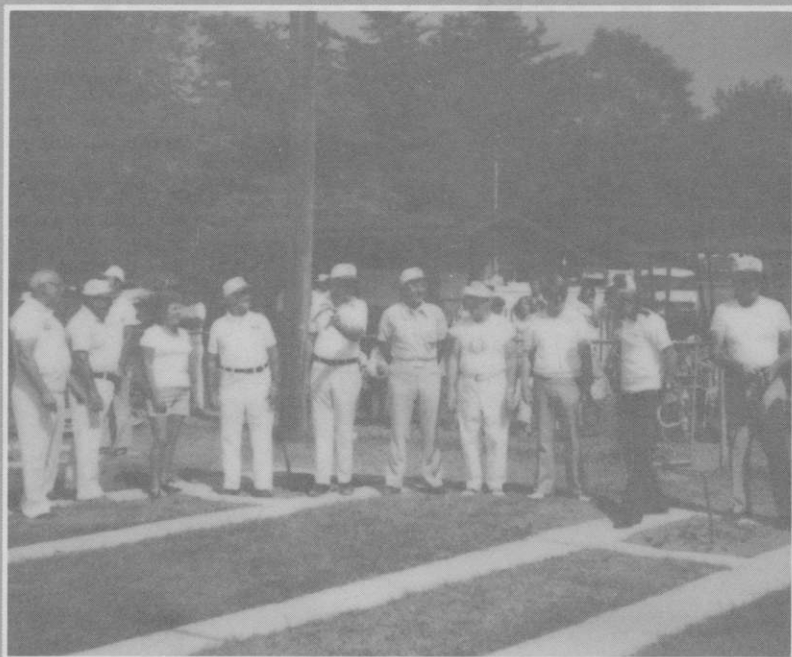


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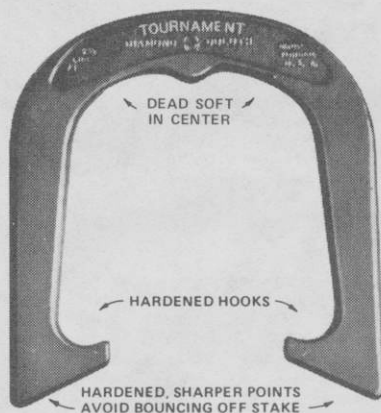
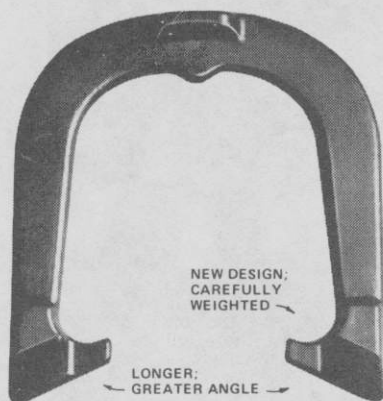
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### NHPA President's Message

Congratulations to all 1976 State Champions. Hope everyone had a successful and smooth running tournament. We sure did in California, thanks to Jim and Emily Weeks, Bill Cessna and all the other outstanding helpers including all those northern members who helped in scoring.

Deadline for the NHPA Constitution and By-Law changes will be February 1, 1977. Send proposed changes to Chairman, John Walker, 570 Park Way, Chula Vista, Calif. 92010. John is updating the Constitution and By-Laws with all the new changes. He will complete project by December 1, 1976 and send rough copy to me for proofing. I will then get it typed and printed. The NHPA rules will be incorporated with the package.

The new Regional Director for Kentucky and Ohio replacing Donnie Roberts is Katherine Harrison. Her address is 1921 King Ave., Hamilton, Ohio 45015, phone 513-863-7661. She is very active in Horseshoes and attends many tournaments in both areas. Welcome and thanks for accepting, Kathy.

Paul Focht has accepted to serve on the NHPA Hall of Fame Committee, replacing Donnie Roberts. His NHPA background should be an asset to the committee. Welcome aboard and thanks, Paul. His address is 1051 W. Dorothy Lane, Dayton, Ohio 45409. Telephone 513-293-5117.

I wrote thank you letters to the City Officials of Levittown, Pa. and the Host Club. Donnie Roberts will mail the 1977 NHPA membership cards to the State Secretaries by the end of October. We hope to have the 1978 cards available at the 1977 World Tournament. He has incorporated additional information on the back of the cards which was suggested by other members. Also on the front there will be a place for the State President to sign the card.

Council has approved to appoint a World Tournament Director for 1977 rather than have the Sec.-Treas. fill the position. Guidelines of the duties and responsibilities will be worked out by the Council.

Last reminder, deadline for the 1978 World Tournament bids to me is December 1, 1976. After I receive the bids I will send copies to the Executive Council. They will be asked to return their ballots to me on a selected day. That same day I will send my ballot to each of them. I will notify the winner after informing the Council.

Sincerely,

WALLY SHIPLEY

*COVER PICTURE . . . Pete Shepard and friends look over the Raymond L. Frye courts in Winchester, Virginia Recreation Park as a possible site for a future World Tournament. Left to right are: Pete Shepard, National Horseshoe Pitcher's Association Regional Director, Les Singbass, Superintendent of Parks, Cindy Dean, Jesse Grim, President of the Winchester Horseshoe Pitcher's Association, Al Zadroga, Jim Solomon, Dale Carson, Clyde Martz, Oscar Engle, and Curt Over. — Photo by Ed Rosser.*

## SPECIAL NOTICE!

**BECAUSE OF AN INCREASE BY THE POSTAL SERVICE FOR RETURN TO SENDER OF THIRD CLASS MAIL FROM 13 CENTS TO 25 CENTS, EFFECTIVE WITH THE DECEMBER ISSUE, ALL SUBSCRIBERS WHO FAIL TO NOTIFY THE NEWS DIGEST OF NEW ADDRESSES WILL NOT RECEIVE THEIR MAGAZINE UNTIL THEY HAVE SENT IN THEIR NEW ADDRESS.**

### California State Championship

With a strong field of 16 pitchers and the tournament averaging over 69%, Walter Ray Williams became the new State Champion. His only loss was to John Walker, in the longest game that went 150 shoes. He defeated Jesse Gonzales 50-46, 86% to 84%.

Flora Jones is our new State Champion in the Women's Division. She defeated Virginia Sturlo in the play-off. Jeffery Williams is again the Boy's Champion, hitting the stake at a ringer percentage of 81.5. Ernie Hall of Colusa is our new Senior Champion.

#### STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Walter Ray Williams, Auburn	14	1	82.8
Jesse Gonzales, Los Osos	13	2	80.2
John Walker, Chula Vista	13	2	76.6
Ken Fraser, San Francisco	12	3	74.1
Don Titcomb, San Jose	12	3	72.7
Jerry Schneider, Pico Rivera	9	6	74.0
Ronnie Simmons, Bellflower	8	7	69.6
Bill Weathers, Turlock	8	7	66.6

Jack Seymour, San Francisco	7	8	66.0
Newell Flann, Westminster	6	9	66.4
Arnie Mortenson, Glendale	5	10	63.3
Monty Latino, Sacramento	4	11	63.1
Walter Krowel, Simi	3	12	61.4
Eston Brown, Anaheim	3	12	61.3
Al Crabtree, Turlock	2	13	63.5
Tom Webb, Rio Del	1	14	55.3

**CLASS B** — Ben Logg, Barstow 9-2-58.9; Vernon Zelmar, San Jose 8-3-55.1; Lloyd Potter, San Jose 7-4-60.5; Frank Butcher, Fresno 7-4-56.7; Bill Vines, Turlock 6-5-56.2; Bill Mauzey, Sonoma 6-5-53.4; Stan Hilton, Burbank 6-5-58.9; Millard Miller, Turlock 5-6-52.8; Bill Cork, Shoshone 5-6-51.5; Al Coleman, Stockton 4-7-50.0; Fred Lavett, Seaside 3-8-50.1; Stan Standard, Laguna Beach 1-10-46.1.

**CLASS C** — Byron Cork, Shoshone 6-0-51.0; Leo Mannebach, Palm Springs 5-1-48.8; Vern Beard, San Diego 3-2-46.2; Jack Schoonover, Orange 3-2-45.9; Bob O'Neill, Yucaipa 3-2-45.3; Ward Berg, Pasadena 3-2-43.6; Wayne Chambers, Burlingame 3-2-41.8; E. Johnson, Sacramento 2-3-43.9; Ken Woolery, Sonoma 2-3-39.5; Thomas Buck, Sun City 1-4-37.8; Joe Raykowski, Rialto 0-5-32.8; Harold Slagg, Ontario 0-5-35.1.

**CLASS D** — Jim Douglas, Lakewood 6-0-52.2; Joe Halder, Yucaipa 4-2-46.8; Ken Vickery, Riverside 4-1-44.5; Larry Ford, San Diego 4-1-43.4; Charles Tucker, LaJolla 3-2-50.8; Hank Drogemuller, Van Nuys 3-2-39.9; Walter Ray Williams, Auburn 2-3-35.2; Art Amador, Los Alamitos 2-3-32.1; Gerry Kloefer, Yucaipa 1-4-33.7; Ed Shroeder, San Diego 1-4-32.0; J. Morehouse, San Francisco 1-4-27.7; Jim Mauney, Chula Vista forfeit.

**CLASS E** — Marty Dunn, Livermore 6-0-35.7; Frank Cravalho, San Francisco 5-1-36.9; Frank Morales, Santa Barbara 4-1-32.0; Ron Hilton, Manhattan Beach 4-1-24.6; Ray Silva, Sr., Santa

#### CLASS E — (Continued)

Barbara 3-2-23.3; Virgil Dickey, San Bernardino 3-2-21.7; Ralph Alvine, Chula Vista 2-3-21.7; Monty Jones, Grass Valley 2-3-20.6; Otto Stewart, Bell 1-4-19.1.

**WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP** — Flora Jones, Grass Valley 7-1-46.9; Virginia Sturlo, Turlock 6-2-34.7; Jo Vickery, Riverside 5-2-38.4; Dorothy McAllister, Colton 5-2-30.9; Cindy Williams, Auburn 3-4-19.3; Sarah Rycraft, Auburn 2-5-5.7; Sandra Sparkman, 1-6-9.6; Janice Schoonover, Orange 0-7-3.1.

**BOYS** — Jeffery Williams, Auburn 5-0-81.5; Nathan Williams, Auburn 4-1-44.0; Jonathon Williams, Auburn 3-2-43.7; Ray Silva, Santa Barbara 2-3-42.9; Joe Bacon, Auburn 1-4-38.6; S. Outerbridge, South Gate 0-5-15.6.

**JUNIOR BOYS** — Mike Silva, Santa Barbara 2-0-28.8; Justin Moon, San Jose 0-2-7.6.

**GIRLS** — J. Moon, San Jose.

**SENIORS** — Ernie Hall, Colusa 5-0-55.4; Ernie Knorp, Goleta 4-1-50.7; Fred Percy, La Habra 4-1-50.7; Ralph Alvine, Chula Vista 3-2-39.4; Archie McCallum, Riverside 3-1-40.7; Ted Paul, Wasco 2-2-39.1; Erwin Klessig, Bell Gardens 2-2-29.4; Harry Morse, Beaumont 1-3-39.2; Monty Jones, Grass Valley 0-4-29.2; Mel Lingenfelter, Alta Loma 0-4-6.4.

## Miller, Mauzey And Manitone Dominate Santa Rosa Class B (Northern California)

Northern California's most improved pitcher of 1975, Millard Miller of Turlock, mangled mighty Bob Mauzey; manipulated a marauding Pete Manitone and swept seven straight 50-shoe games on the Sonoma County Fairgrounds in Santa Rosa. Mauzey had the best percentage and high game of the day (66%), but lost one close tussle to place second.

Don Wheeler took a pressure-packed play-off game from Ken Woolery 41-31 to pace Group II. Don also chalked up the high Group II game of 60%.

Well-traveled Walt East displayed his usual tenacity to emerge as top dog in Group III, with Frank Cravalho finishing second.

The Sacramento club achieved the 2nd hat trick of the season, finishing 1, 2, 3 in Group IV. John Hintzman racked up 6 opponents, let one get by, but did manage 54%.

**GROUP I** — Millard Miller, Turlock 7-0-51.1; Bob Mauzey, Sonoma Co. 6-1-52.0; Pete Manitone, Sacramento 5-2-51.7; Earl Compton, Sacramento 3-4-38.9; George Greeott, Sonoma Co. 3-4-33.7; Luke Braun, Mosswood 2-5-40.0; Arnie Peters, Sonoma Co. 2-5-35.9; Arnie Coleman, Stockton 0-7-18.9.

**GROUP II** — Don Wheeler, Mosswood 6-2-45.8; Ken Woolery, Sonoma Co. 5-3-39.5; Clair Ben-thin, Vallejo 4-3-36.9; Cliff Johnson, Sacramento 4-3-35.7; Wayne Chambers, Golden Gate 4-3-32.6; Silton Cowles, San Lorenzo 3-4-38.0; Ernie Hall, Colusa 2-5-36.0; John Metrogen, Sacramento 1-6-36.6.

**GROUP III** — Walt East, Mosswood 6-1-39.4; Frank Cravalho, Golden Gate 5-2-39.1; Berwyn Robb, Sonoma Co. 5-2-37.2; Herman Schneider, Mosswood 4-3-40.8; Bud Bailey, Sonoma Co. 3-4-33.1; Ernie Kim, Mosswood 3-4-31.1; Tony Mattos, San Jose 2-5-35.4; Stewart Snyder, Cloverdale 0-7-30.0.

**GROUP IV** — John Hintzman, Sacramento 6-1-36.3; Glenn Kelly, Sacramento 5-2-30.6; Jim Long, Sacramento 3-3-32.3; Page Kesler, Sonoma Co. 4-3-29.1; Harry Martinelli, Cloverdale 4-3-30.3; Harley Harris, Turlock 3-4-26.3; Bill Fulwider, Sonoma Co. 1-6-28.6; Roy Ladd, Sonoma Co. 1-6-20.6.

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## Walt Lane Sr. Memorial At Anderson, Indiana Won By Seibold

**CLASS AA** — Mark Seibold, Huntington 7-0-79.2; Chet Reel, W. Middleton 6-1-72.8; Bob May, Glenwood 5-2-72.6; Ed Krull, Logansport 3-4-68.3; Roy Billingsley, Crawfordsville 3-4-62.3; John LeMond, Anderson 3-4-60.8; John Hughes, Cincinnati, Ohio 1-6-54.9; John Gall, Anderson 0-7-58.3.

**CLASS A** — Jim Kemple, Rushville 6-1-70.6; Leland Fisher, Elwood 5-2-66.0; Estel Bills, Connorsville 5-2-54.0; Walt Lane, Anderson 5-2-53.2; Marvin Wisheart, New Castle 3-4-55.9; Wayne Waggoner, Seymour 3-4-45.1; Glen Stone, Anderson 1-6-49.5; Garland Goble, Warsaw 0-7-49.6.

**CLASS BB** — John Shuck, Sharpsville 7-0-67.5; Ralph Guffey, New Castle 6-1-55.8; Bob Moit, Indianapolis 5-2-59.8; Darrell Glover, Rushville 3-4-50.3; Wayne McClintock, Anderson 3-4-46.6; Richard Burnworth, Jonesboro 2-5-48.7; Jim Pierson, Mooresville 2-5-44.5; Jack Andres, Lafayette 0-7-45.4.

**CLASS B** — Bill Ridge, Bargersville 5-2-54.9; Dick Burnworth, Marion 5-2-52.5; Buddy Hodgdon, Lebanon 5-2-54.1; Norm Hager, Indianapolis 4-3-56.0; Al Huston, Marion 4-3-48.2; Ora Pearman, Newport 2-5-53.9; J. W. Cox, Wabash 2-5-48.7; Jim Ashbaugh, Valparaiso 1-6-49.0.

**CLASS CC** — Doyle Mink, Indianapolis 6-1-54.5; Amos Ingle, New Castle 5-2-52.6; Bill Barker, Marion 4-3-49.2; Martin Drummond, Perrysville 3-4-46.1; Lloyd Gosnell, Seymour 3-4-44.3; Jr. Guthrie, Bremen 3-4-43.8; Arnold Marshall, Seymour 3-4-43.0; Lloyd Karstens, Rushville 1-6-31.2.

**CLASS C** — Loran Coy, Englewood, Ohio 7-0-56.6; Vern Wagoner, Pine Village 6-2-45.3; Harold Cadwallader, Lafayette 5-2-40.8; Meredith Judd, Hammond 4-3-40.0; Gene Loy, Union City 2-5-39.3; Everett Bowyer, Peru 2-5-38.7; Carl Staley, Elkhart 2-5-34.2; John Hammons, Crawfordsville 1-6-32.4.

**CLASS DD** — David Collier, Bargersville 7-0-39.0; Russ Jackson, Warsaw 5-2-35.3; Jim Anderson, Indianapolis 5-2-34.4; John Black, Wabash 4-3-29.4; Virgil Jackson, Warsaw 3-4-29.6; A. W. Thomas, Speedway 2-5-36.8; Glen Whitaker, Lafayette 1-6-28.8; Paul Cunningham, Marion 1-6-22.6.

**CLASS D** — Virgil Jackson, Warsaw 6-1-40.0; Andy Gall, Anderson 5-2-38.2; Ron Engle, Anderson 5-2-32.2; Sam Huffman, Rushville 4-3-34.8; Jeff Bowyer, Frankfort 3-4-26.1; Lloyd Karstens, Rushville 2-5-26.5; Dick Hostetler, Indianapolis 2-5-24.0; Gene Mendenhall, Noblesville 1-6-24.1.

**CLASS EE** — Ed Howdeshell, Rochester 4-0-25.0; Jerry Chidester, Fairmont 3-1-30.2; Steve Croddy, Kokomo 1-2-20.0; Dick Judd, Hammond 0-3-9.4; Randy Fluher - forfeit; Don Petro - forfeit.

**CLASS E** — David Herring, Marion 4-1-30.0; Willard Smith, Huntington 4-1-22.8; Larry Bills, Rushville 4-1-24.2; Al Bills, Rushville 2-3-24.7; Gary Brown, Huntington 1-4-13.3; Bob Hovis, Hammond 0-5-12.6.

**WOMEN - CLASS A** — Candy Loy, Union City 4-0-55.4; Jackie Fisher, Elwood 3-1-47.9; Phyllis Laurie, New Castle 2-2-37.7; Lorna Bills, Rushville 1-3-28.0; Anita Hager, Indianapolis 0-4-27.2.

**WOMEN - CLASS B** — Lorna Hodgdon, Lebanon 4-0-37.5; Dorothy Bills, Rushville 3-1-26.6; Jessie Huston, Marion 2-0-24.2; Barb Cunningham, Marion 1-3-19.0; Norma Campbell, Indianapolis 0-4-12.6.

**JUNIORS - CLASS A** — Mike Whitten, Marion 3-0-40.9; Steve Gall, Anderson 2-1-30.9; Steve Bills, Connorsville 1-2-33.6; Tammi Cunningham, Marion 0-3-27.5.

**JUNIORS - CLASS B** — John Judd, Hammond 3-0-15.0; Phil Bills, Connorsville 2-1-7.0; Gwen Ashley, Hammond 1-2-1.0.

## Lipovsky Victor Over O'Connor For Minnesota State Crown

For the first time in the Minnesota Association history, four players ended in a tie for the championship. They were Dale Lipovsky, Jack O'Connor, Marvin Richmond and Larye Ambrose.

The tournament was played off by No. 1 man playing No. 4, and No. 2 man playing No. 3, with Larye Ambrose playing Jack O'Connor and Dale Lipovsky playing Marv Richmond. Jack O'Connor beat Ambrose and Lipovsky beat Richmond. In the final play-off it was Dale Lipovsky and Jack O'Connor.

Dale Lipovsky beat Jack O'Connor and they really put on a great show. This made Dale's straight State Victory in the past four years, his fourth State Title.

This year was also our first Ladies State meet. Phyllis Negaard, from St. Joseph, Minn. is our first Ladies State Champion. We are proud to have had two classes of ladies and hope to get more next year.

With the largest State Tournament ever held in Minnesota we owe a big thank you to the Blue Earth Wells Federal Club for being host. It's a lot of work to run a tournament this large and they did a fine job. Thanks Blue Earth. There were 192 men, 14 ladies and 16 boys in the tournament, a total of 222 entries.

Classes A and B were 12 man classes, the remainder were 8 man classes. Ladies Class A was only a 6 member class because of percentage differences.

New officers were elected. Re-elected as President was Larye Ambrose; Russ



## Minnesota State — (Continued)

Greiman was elected as Publicity Director, and Nancy Gjerstad was elected as Secretary-Treasurer, the first lady State Officer.

### CLASS A CHAMPIONSHIP

	W	L	%
Dave Lipovsky, Minneapolis .....	10	3	72.6
Jack O'Connor, Brainerd .....	9	4	70.1
Marv Richmond, Pequot Lakes ....	9	4	68.0
Larry Ambrose, Jackson .....	8	5	68.6

**CLASS C** — Don Oothoudt, Blue Earth 5-2-57.1; Ron Seekamp, Fridley 4-3-56.5; Walt Bjorklund, Duluth 4-3-56.5.

**CLASS D** — Jim Holmquist, Cedar 6-1-55.7; Al Mischke, Westbrook 6-1-49.7; Don Carlson, Fairmont 4-3-56.5.

**CLASS E** — Howard Ganz, Backus 6-1-48.2; Stan Ulku, Bloomington 5-2-55.4; Tom Johnstone, Duluth 5-2-46.0.

**CLASS F** — Bill Benson, Kandiyohi 6-1-51.6; Rodney Ring, Windom 5-2-54.3; Marvin Meinders, Worthington 5-2-54.0.

**CLASS G** — Ray Lust, Mapleton 6-1-54.2; Sig Armitage, Canby 5-2-51.1; Art Agre, Montevideo 5-2-48.2.

**CLASS H** — Wade Zieske, New Ulm 5-2-44.5; Del Bakeberg, Ortonville 5-2-48.2; Earl Tiegs, Henderson 5-2-46.8.

**CLASS I** — Onnen Cassens, Blue Earth 7-0-44.3; Bob Gjerstad, St. James 5-2-36.7; Henry Pongratz, Mankato 5-2-42.6.

**CLASS J** — Ken Adelsman, Minnetonka 6-1-48.2; Dave Evanson, Donnelly 5-2-44.8; Larry Stranquist, Waverly 5-2-42.8.

**CLASS K** — Jimmy Knapper, Sacred Heart 5-2-43.7; Frank Bellcour, Anoka 5-2-46.8; Gene Anderson, St. Paul 5-2-46.0.

**CLASS L** — Martin Hill, Watertown 6-1-50.0; Hilbert Frey, Minneapolis 5-2-42.8; Don Bolland, St. James 4-3-40.5.

**CLASS M** — Harvey Arola, Crystal 6-1-45.3; Nobel Quiggle, Fairmont 6-1-47.3; Carroll Johnson, Becker 4-3-42.3.

**CLASS N** — Richard Wiedl, New Ulm 7-0-40.0; Dave Edenloff, New Brighton 4-3-40.0; Bob Arndt, Ortonville 4-3-38.2.

**CLASS O** — Frank Robinson, St. Paul 6-1-41.7; Lester Hazen, Minneapolis 5-2-34.8; Terry Berg, Redwood Falls 4-3-38.5.

### CLASS B

LeRoy Hagert, Springfield .....	8	3	61.3
Don Allen, St. Paul .....	7	4	57.8
Len Lipovsky, Minneapolis .....	6	5	59.5
Les Becker, Canby .....	6	5	59.1

**CLASS P** — Jim Perkins, St. Paul 6-1-34.2; Les Frey, Minneapolis 5-2-34.8; Ed Milbeck, Dawson 5-2-37.4.

**CLASS Q** — Dick Smits, Worthington 5-2-35.7; Owen Rasmussen, Sanborn 5-2-37.7; Mickey Mueller, New Ulm 4-3-34.5.

**CLASS R** — Dave Hughes, Bloomington 7-0-42.6; Willard Bakeberg Ortonville 4-3-33.0; Delbert Anderson, Currie 4-3-35.6.

**CLASS S** — Walter Foth, Sherburn 6-1-36.5; James Morse, Shafer 5-2-33.4; Clarence Lundeen, Cokate 4-3-28.5.

**CLASS T** — Larry Hagge, Garden City 6-1-28.5; Gene Zakrzewski, St. Paul 5-2-31.1; John Butson, Vernon Center 5-2-28.8.

**CLASS U** — Richard Bausch, Minneapolis 6-1-31.1; Jerry Werk, Donnelly 4-3-28.5; Wayne Kendall, Garden City 4-3-32.0.

**CLASS V** — Stewart Schneider, Clinton 5-2-23.7; Ron Lundburg, Rogers 5-2-29.7; Michael Wade, Bloomington 4-3-24.5.

**CLASS W** — Gene Starke, Nicollet 6-1-23.0; Tom Schnuderhan, Mankato 5-2-17.6; Elmer Rolfsen, Jackson 4-3-13.6.

**LADIES - CLASS A** — Phyllis Negaard, St. Joseph 5-0-39.5; June Zakrzewski, St. Paul 4-1-30.5; Mabel Nelson, Minneapolis 3-2-39.5.

**LADIES - CLASS B** — Brenda Van Brieson, Appleton 6-1-21.1; Helen Erickson, Mankato 6-1-16.5; Delores Preimesberger, Pierz 5-2-12.8.

**BOY'S - CLASS A** — Alden Sandquist, Watertown 7-0-70.6; Mike Belleour, Anoka 6-1-53.3; Rick O'Connor, Brainerd 5-2-49.6.

**BOY'S - CLASS B** — Andy Vallie, Duluth 6-1-32.5; Jim Robinson, St. Paul 6-1-21.4; Joe Vallie, Duluth 4-3-27.4.

## Van Sant Over Griffin In Casey, Illinois Shriner's Open

Forty-one pitchers participated in the 14th annual Casey Shriner's Open. Karl Van Sant of Cayuga, Ind. swept the honors as he won the tournament in a pitch-off with Larry Griffin of Paris, Ill. He also won the sportsmanship award and the most consecutive ringers award.

**CLASS A** — Karl Van Sant, Ind. 8-1-72.6; Larry Griffin, Ill. 8-1-73.5; Ray Martin, Ill. 7-2-69.3; Charlie Webb, Ill. 5-4-65.7; Harold Darnold, Iowa 5-4-67.8; Leo Schlosser, Ill. 3-6-61.2; Leck Miller, Ill. 3-6-60.6; Del Maroon, Ill. 3-6-58.0; Joe Douchant, Mo. 2-7-48.5; Bill Courtwright, Mo. 1-8-54.4.

**CLASS B** — Granny Palmer, Ind. 6-1-52.0; Will McMeec, Ind. 5-2-59.7; Harold Swofford, Ill. 4-3-53.0; Harry Matheny, Ill. 3-4-55.7; Ted Stoltz, Ill. 3-4-52.0; B. Matheny, Ill. 3-4-51.6; Leon Griffin, Ill. 2-5-46.8; S. Brooks, Ill. 2-5-45.7.

Harold Rutan won Class C; Owen Tennell won Class D; Gary Pearman won Class E and Wayne Davis won Class F.

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## Ray Martin Wins Playoff For Illinois State Championship

The annual Illinois state tournament was held on the Reservoir Park courts in Quincy, Illinois during July. Ray Martin of Philo, Illinois was crowned champion by virtue of a play-off involving Larry Griffin and John Garner. Mike Stout of Melrose Park retained his title as Boy's champion while Rose Gibson of Centralia won all her games in the Ladies division. Roger Ehlers of Hoffman Estates had a clean slate to cop Class B honors. Arnold Lester of Galesburg reigned supreme in the Senior class.

An impressive opening ceremony took place with Miss Beverly Risley, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hammitt, coordinators of the tournament, who sang the National Anthem. This was followed by a formal ribbon cutting ceremony by Mr. Kenneth Kremer, Quincy Parks Supervisor and Mr. Don Buening, an assistant to the Mayor of Quincy. All in all it was a most successful tournament even though played on a very hot and sunny weekend. The 1977 State Tournament will be held at Pittsfield.

### CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS

	W	L	%		W	L	%
Ray Martin, Philo .....	9	2	70.8	Clint Van Dusen, Gilson .....	5	6	60.6
John Garner, Quincy .....	9	2	65.5	S. Kohlenberger, Millstadt .....	5	6	58.0
Larry Griffin, Paris .....	9	2	66.4	Woody Martin, Pekin .....	5	6	56.4
Clint Sjurset, Elgin .....	8	3	63.3	Sid Logsdon, Versailles .....	4	7	57.8
Lester Miller, Brownstown .....	6	5	60.6	W. Simmermaker, Jerseyville .....	1	10	51.8
Chas. Rhoades, White Hall .....	5	6	60.9	Lynn Lyman, Pittsfield .....	0	11	49.1

### CLASS B

	W	L		W	L
Roger Ehlers, Hoffman Estates .....	7	0	Joe Helbling, Waukegan .....	3	4
Paul Gulliford, Urbana .....	5	2	Jack Stout, Melrose Park .....	3	4
Joe Douchant, East Carondelet .....	4	3	Jennings .....	2	5
Harold Durrette, Peoria .....	3	4	William Rebbec, Bartonville .....	1	6



## Illinois State — (Continued)

## PRELIMINARIES - FIRST DAY

**GROUP A-1**—John Garner 5-2-66.7; Woody Martin 5-2-63.6; Larry Griffin 4-3-62.8; Harvey Kohlenberger 4-3-60.2; Ross Sornberger 4-3-55.4; Casey Bettisworth 3-4-59.2; Harold Lange 2-5-50.6; Kruitmeier, 1-6-50.4.

**GROUP A-2**—Lester Miller 7-0-58.9; Clint Van Dusen 6-1-61.5; Lynn Lyman 4-3-52.3; W. Simmermaker 4-3-52.1; Delbert Maroon 4-3-51.7; Steven Denault 2-5-42.5; Henry Franke 1-6-36.4; Floyd Hammitt 0-7-29.8.

**GROUP A-3**—Ray Martin 7-0-70.1; Clint Sjurset 6-1-75.2; Sid Logsdon 4-3-60.4; Charles Rhoades 3-4-60.2; Charles Webb 3-4-56.2; Chalmer McClain 2-5-53.0; Fred Hart 2-5-45.7; John Law 1-6-53.3.

**CLASS C**—Lewis 4-1; Janssen 4-1; Johnson 3-2; Anderson 3-2; Goederes 1-4; Carlson 0-5.

**CLASS D**—Campbell 4-1; Durette 3-2; Cra-

## CLASS C — (Continued)

vens 3-2; Switzer 2-3; Knobeloch 2-3; Colgan 1-4.

**CLASS E**—Cane 4-1; Dixon 3-2; R. Myers 3-2; McGartland 2-3; Gibson 2-3; Graham 1-4.

**CLASS F**—Gillespie 4-1; K. Johnson 4-1; Predmore 3-2; Frakes 2-3; Bunge 2-3; Heaton 0-5.

**CLASS G**—St. George 5-0; McQueen 4-1; Billings 3-2; DeJanyes 2-3; Morris 1-4; McClure 0-5.

**SENIORS CLASS**—Arnold Lester 5-1; Leslie Long 4-1; Wendell Savage 3-2; Clifford Arnold 1-4; Don Grove 1-4; Lee Junk 1-4.

**JUNIOR BOYS**—Mike Stout 7-0; Alan Ehlers 6-1; John Ehlers 5-2; Stan Jarvis 4-3; John Maroon 3-4; Robbie Frakes 2-5; Scott Curtis 1-6.

**LADIES CLASS**—Rose Gibson 7-0; Karlene Hinds 6-1; Lori Brown 5-2; Sidonie Hinds 4-3; Joan Goederes 3-4; Rose Morris 2-5; Kathy Veihl 1-6.

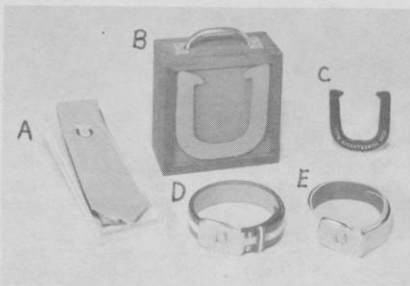
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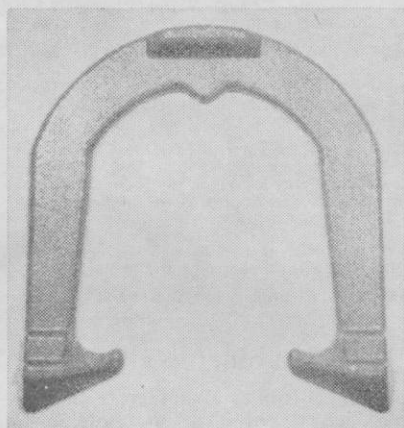
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Clyde Martz .....	13	2	79.5
Jim Solomon .....	10	5	74.9
Dan Beshore .....	10	5	71.5
Joe Kuchcinski .....	10	5	68.8
Clair Bruce .....	9	6	71.9
Rich Maroni .....	9	6	67.9
Buck Engle .....	8	7	74.5

**CLASS B-1** — Fred Lutter 6-1-60.5; Chuck Semans 5-2-63.4; Chuck Danner 5-2-57.8; Vince Sedlacek 5-2-55.2; C. Edmiston 3-4-53.1; Glen Sebring 2-5-53.4; Frank Peluso 2-5-50.3.

**CLASS B-2** — Russ Welton 6-1-55.3; Frank Kilinsky 5-2-55.0; Dave Maxwell 4-3-56.2; Don Kuchcinski 4-3-42.6; Bob Straitiff 3-4-51.9; Ed Blum 3-4-51.4; Tom Wilkins 3-4-48.7; Gene Lobaugh 0-7-44.0.

**CLASS B-3** — Roy Wellman 6-1-56.1; Ed Sell 6-1-52.8; Chuck Roball 5-2-51.9; Bob Branch 4-3-49.8; Roy McDonald 3-4-43.8; Herm Pover 2-5-39.4; Don Smith 2-5-32.2; Dale Welton 0-7-38.2.

**CLASS C-1** — Joe Geci 6-1-54.0; Ed Kuchcinski 5-2-54.5; Ray Rugg 5-2-48.5; John Fulton 4-3-52.3; John Baugher 4-3-52.3; Bert Rugg 3-4-43.7; Dick Dickson 1-6-44.2; Homer Lewis 0-7-39.5.

**CLASS C-2** — Ron Carr 7-0-51.3; Les Putt 5-2-45.9; Steve Kuchcinski 4-3-38.5; Dave Baker 3-4-

	W	L	%
Jack Rainbow .....	8	7	67.6
Al Plank .....	7	8	71.2
Mal Burkett .....	6	9	65.4
Wes Kuchcinski .....	6	9	64.8
H. Clipping .....	4	11	64.9
Frank Williams .....	3	12	59.5
Bob McKnight .....	2	13	60.8
Pete Vlachos .....	0	15	57.5

### CLASS C-2 (Continued)

45.2; Rich Senger 3-4-38.7; Jim Ruhl 3-4-34.2; G. Wintemute 2-5-33.4; Joe Mancini 1-6-36.6.

**CLASS C-3** — Al Sutton 4-1-38.7; El Collins 3-2-38.9; Dick James 3-2-32.5; George Rhea 2-3-41.8; Wm. Geci 2-3-38.3; J. Abbott 1-4-36.0.

**CLASS D-1** — J. Strahsmeier 3-0-39.8; Chick Denk 3-2-33.3; Don Harper 2-3-33.9; Dick Ristau 2-3-30.8; R. McGaverm 2-3-29.8; Mike Churley 1-4-27.5.

**CLASS D-2** — V. Nicholson 7-0-43.8; Paul Beer 6-1-44.3; Joe Kuch, Jr. 4-3-39.1; El Warner 4-3-37.0; M. Pelegrinelli 3-4-33.1; Harv Hayes 2-5-32.5; M. Alexander 2-5-25.2; P. Cunningham 0-7-27.5.

**CLASS D-3** — Joe Bean 7-1-24.1; Jim Wernicki 6-2-22.0; Wm. Maloney 5-2-20.1; Jim Maloney 4-3-20.0; B. Morrison 3-4-16.2; Ed Hain 3-4-16.1; R. Laskowski 1-6-21.6; Ed Straitiff 1-6-4.4.

## Steinfeldt And Hangen Top Ringer Champs In New York State

Carl Steinfeldt of Rochester and Ruth Hangen of Getzville, the reigning World Champions, captured individual honors in the New York State Tournament held at the Joe Dean Memorial courts in Outwater Park, Lockport, N. Y.

Hangen was undefeated (5-0) and had an 81.3 overall percentage in the Women's Class A category. Her longtime rival, defending champion Lorraine Thomas of Lockport, was runner-up with 4-1 and 66.2 marks, respectively.

Steve Crandall, 13, of Hornell, won the Junior title. His ringer average was 56.3.

**CLASS A** — Carl Steinfeldt, Rochester 11-0; 81.9; Steve Fennichia, Rochester 9-2-71.8; Joe Schultz, Jr., Brentwood 9-2-69.7; Anthony Sauro, Syracuse 8-3-61.3; Robert Sutton, Mineola 6-5-62.8; Richard Carnahan, Brockport 5-6-62.1; August Krause, Syracuse 5-6-61.0; Anthony Natale, Rochester 4-7-63.7; Louis Gancos, Brooklyn 4-7-59.6; Louis Stines, Brooklyn 4-7-56.6; William Fuller, Lacona 1-10-50.8; Willard Smith, Almond forfeit.

**CLASS B** — Len Berggren, Jamestown 7-0-53.1; Baron Parker, Buffalo 5-2-56.7; George Hale, Buffalo 5-2-56.7; Wilbur Kreppeneck, Lockport 4-3-52.3; Frank Retzback, Mattydale 3-4-41.4; Clair Rigby, Webster 2-5-40.7; Ray LaRose, E. Syracuse 1-6-43.2; James O'Connell, Romulus 1-6-35.6.

**CLASS C** — Paul Schultz, Brentwood 7-1-53.6; (won in playoff); Ronald Larkin, Rome 6-2-44.6; Robert Yeomans, Binghamton 5-2-45.3; August Reich, LeRoy 4-3-44.1; Gerald Nemschich, Medford 4-3-39.9; Berryl Greenfield, Richland 2-5-32.0; John Merrill, Fulton 1-6-31.9; Richard Saden, Dunkirk 0-7-32.4.

**CLASS D** — Eugene Hilliker, Dunkirk 7-1-50.0; (won in playoff); Hilton Zehr, Woodville 6-2-46.4; Richard Martino, Batavia 5-2-41.9; William Walker, Utica 5-2-40.8; Willist Pert, Binghamton 3-4-38.4; Fred Williams, Kirkwood 2-5-29.8; Larry Munn, Amherst 2-6-38.6; Robert Szscila, Burdett 0-7-24.2.

**CLASS E** — Ernest Hilperthaus, Ft. Edward 6-1-46.9; Charles Dickinson, Falconer 5-2-40.8; Joe Barbero, Sr., E. Rochester 5-2-40.4; Thomas Ryan, Peekskill 3-4-43.6; William Hatrick, Friendship 3-4-43.5; Walter Hooley, Montrose 3-4-34.3; Daniel Kemp, Castile 2-5-33.5; Jack Townsend, Canton 1-6-37.9.

**CLASS F** — Gerald Patchen, Wellsburg 7-0-42.1; Terry Powers, Fulton 5-2-35.7; Albert Hilsinger, North Tose 5-2-32.2; Richard Neal, Wellsville 4-3-30.9; Peter Fisher, Ft. Edward 3-4-32.1; Ervin Stanton, Prattsburgh 2-5-29.0; Joel Dunkle, Yorkshire 1-6-19.3; William Heikilla, Mattydale 1-6-18.4.

**CLASS G** — Richard Mudgett, Cattaraugus 6-1-45.5; Albert Conklin, Jamestown 5-2-41.1; Clarence Bogardus, Ft. Edward 5-2-40.6; Fred Brightman, Rochester 4-3-32.5; Robert Berry, Lockport 3-4-38.1; Carl Sturtevant, Rome 3-4-32.0; Scoop Davis, Barker 2-5-27.5; Mark Sylvester 0-7-23.2.

**CLASS H** — Roger Straight, Lake Luzerne 6-1-34.1; Lewis Flintjer, Blasdell 4-3-40.9; Earl Powers, Fulton 4-3-38.7; Henry Laughlin, Akron 4-3-35.4; Anthony Martino, Batavia 3-4-36.9; Donald Batchellor, Stafford 3-4-30.9; Jack Holder, Niagara Falls 2-5-30.5; James Crandall, Hornell 2-5-25.7.

**CLASS I** — William Johnston, Rome 6-1-37.7; Paul Sherman, LeRoy 5-2-28.5; William Rice, Sil-

### CLASS I — (Continued)

ver Springs 5-2-28.4; Harry Kinner, Vestal 4-3-24.7; Stanley Vincent, Gasport 4-3-23.5; Frank Oldenburg, Williamsville 2-5-23.2; George Hyder, Utica 2-5-19.0; Sheldon Bowen, Harrisville forfeit.

**CLASS J** — Robert Zimmerman, Mohegan Lake, 6-1-34.6; Jack Bater, LeRoy 5-2-36.1; Martin Silverstein, Peekskill 5-2-31.6; Fred Bailey, Arcade 4-3-32.6; Donald Waite, Carrataugus 3-4-32.5; Jack Thomas, Lockport 2-5-25.4; Gordon Egri, North Tonawanda 2-5-23.3; Charles Beardslee, Interlaken 1-6-17.6.

**CLASS K** — Lincoln Hall, Utica 6-1-36.0; Jack Bahr, Ft. Edward 5-2-35.4; Ken Weatherly, Lockport 5-2-31.1; Gerald Sojda, Alexander 3-4-33.2; James Sutton, Rome 3-4-29.6; Roy Wells, LeRoy 3-4-28.7; Dean Rogers, Delevan 2-5-28.1; K. V. Hopkins, Falconer 1-6-24.6.

**CLASS L** — David Schmidt, Gransevoort 6-1-29.0; Terry Cook, Wellsville 4-3-29.1; Richard Pike, DeKalb Jct. 5-3-25.8; K. W. Hopkins, James. town 5-3-25.0; Harold Ryan, Newfane 4-3-20.5; Bob Matthews, Batavia 3-4-22.3; Paul Singleton, Lockport 2-5-17.8; Maurice Clark, Newfane 1-6-25.3.

**CLASS M** — Robert Taylor, Canton 7-1-31.8 (won in playoff); Garry Reynolds, Wellsville 6-2-35.1; Tom Hosteller, Grand Island 5-2-28.7; Okey Rffle, Lockport 3-4-26.2; James Martino, Batavia 3-4-25.4; Douglas Kempf, Corfu 2-5-23.5; Clark Perry, Wellsville 2-5-17.4; Arthur Smith, Lockport 1-6-18.0.

**CLASS N** — Earl Brooks, Rome 7-0-30.9; Tom Dawson, Canton 6-1-34.3; Harold Weinborg, Peekskill 5-2-26.7; Joe Jarzabek, Cheektowaga 4-3-28.8; Joe Ribbons, Mexico 3-4-17.5; Ed Ritchie, Lockport 2-5-14.3; Harry Millard, Lockport 1-6-13.5; Chet Osinski, Syracuse 0-7-15.3.

**CLASS O** — Richard Patterson, Wyoming 6-1-36.4; Ernest Groff, Liverpool 5-2-27.7; Kelly Hatrick, Friendship 4-3-21.0; Don Walker, Rome 4-3-20.3; Harold Halstead, Alexander 4-3-18.9; Richard Lewis, E. Bethany 3-4-30.4; Bob Weinheimer, Lockport 2-5-17.9; John Cavanaugh, Syracuse 0-7-16.1.

**CLASS P** — Leo Latek, Springville 7-0-26.7; Paul Rudy, Niagara Falls 5-2-20.9; Ev Werth, Lockport 5-2-26.7; John Vandewater, Canton 5-2-22.1; Joe Sarro, Saratoga Springs 3-4-22.2; Leo Oulette, Brooklyn 2-5-16.2; Charles Leavitt, 1-6-18.0; Grand Dennis, Ogdensburg 0-7-20.4.

**CLASS Q** — David Clack, Lockport 6-1-24.9; Ken Nixon, Niagara Falls 5-2-26.5; Dale Bonnell, Rochester 4-3-17.8; Dave Scott, Castile 4-3-13.3; Ken Wardman, Whiteboro 3-4-13.1; Richard Langewicz, Mattydale 3-4-12.7; Harold VanEpps, Lacona 2-5-13.9; Dave Hapeman, Cheektowaga, 1-6-10.1.

## New York State — (Continued)

**CLASS R** — Don McElheny, Delavan 7-0-20.7; Rod Burnham, Rome 6-1-12.7; Lambert Burns, Williamsville 4-3-17.1; Ken Ciccirelli 4-3-10.2; Bob Denton, Rome 4-3-10.1; Frank Hesselink, Caledonia 2-5-4.5; Ed Rupiec, Lancaster 1-6-6.5; Larry Riendeau, Wingdale, forfeit.

**WOMEN - CLASS A** — Ruth Hangen, Getzville 5-0-81.3; Lorraine Thomas, Lockport 4-1-66.2; Jane Disinger, Lockport 3-2-58.8; Edith Werth, Lockport 2-3-51.6; Dorothy Stephanski, Lockport 1-4-44.6; Betty Singleton, Lockport 0-5-39.2.

**WOMEN - CLASS B** — Betty Bonnell, Rochester 6-0-46.4; Frances Carnahan, Brockport 3-3-39.1; Alice Case, Newfane 2-4-31.8; Ryta VanEpps, Lacona 1-5-25.5.

**WOMEN - CLASS C** — Debbie Kemp, Castile 4-0-10.8; Margaret Ouellette, Staten Island 2-2-9.7; Helen Hager, Brooklyn 0-4-6.8; Jeanette Riendeau, Wingdale, forfeit.

**JUNIOR - CLASS A** — Steve Crandall, Hornell 5-0-56.3; Richard Parker, Buffalo 4-1-41.5; Jim Rossow, Lockport 2-3-27.7; George Case, Newfane 2-3-21.1; Paul Sherman, LeRoy 1-4-28.0; Robert Coyle, Warsaw 1-4-27.7.

**JUNIOR - CLASS B** — John Baes, Lockport 4-0-18.6; Maurice Clark, Jr., Newfane 3-1-20.6; Anthony Parete, Lockport 1-3-11.5; Donna Dear, Lockport 1-3-11.3; John Barnwell, Lockport 1-3-9.0.

## Curt Day In "Barn Burner" For Indiana, Ohio, and Illinois Open Title At Frankfort, Indiana

**CLASS AA** — Curt Day, Frankfort 7-0-87.4; Clarence Bellman, Bremen 6-1-78.7; Stan Manker, Martinsville 4-3-67.2; Chet Reel, West Middleton 3-4-71.5; George Sales, New Castle 3-4-62.8; Elmer Harrison, Hamilton, Ohio 3-4-62.4; Paul Day, Frankfort 2-5-70.5; Ralph Maylahn, Milwaukee 0-7-65.5.

**CLASS A** — Al Overdorf, Brownsburg 7-0-59.9; John Gall, Anderson 4-3-64.0; Claude Estelle, Indianapolis 4-3-63.5; Jim McCombs, Greenville, Ohio 4-3-60.6; Howard Johnson, Huntington 3-4-60.2; Bob Wolfinger, Elkhart 3-4-55.8; Les Moore, Forest 2-5-51.4; Wellman Rennaker, Converse 0-7-52.5.

**CLASS BB** — Buddy Hodgdon, Lebanon 5-2-55.4; Jack Andres, Lafayette 5-2-54.8; Bob Moit, Indianapolis 4-3-57.0; John Shuck, Sharpville 4-3-56.5; Bill Ridge, Bargersville 4-3-52.4; Jim Pierson, Mooresville 3-4-50.7; Jim Ashbaugh, Valparaiso 3-4-50.2; Herb McCoskey, Pekin—forfeit.

**CLASS B** — Martin Drummond, Perrysville 7-0-49.3; Wayne Waggoner, Seymour 5-2-55.3; Arnold Marshall, Seymour 4-3-45.3; Everett Bowyer, Peru 3-4-44.0; Lee Wilcox, Indianapolis 3-4-41.8; Kenny Bunge, Martinsville 3-4-38.3; Sylvester Hahn, Elwood 2-5-42.4; Joe Morgan, Scottsburg 1-6-42.9.

**CLASS CC** — Junior Guthrie, Bremen 6-1-45.1; Lloyd Gosnell, Seymour 5-2-46.4; Bob Pence, Lafayette 5-2-38.9; Bill Everett, Lafayette 4-3-43.7; Glen Whitaker, Lafayette 3-4-41.5; Harold Cadwallader, Lafayette 3-4-35.8; Jerry Smith, Fort Wayne 2-5-38.0; Frank Laurie, New Castle 0-8-27.4.

**CLASS C** — John Foss, Laporte 6-1-42.0; Russell Jackson, Warsaw 4-3-38.5; Everett Bowyer,

**CLASS C — (Continued)**  
Peru 4-3-37.4; Tom McCord, Lafayette 4-3-30.8; E. G. Campbell, Greentown 3-4-39.1; A. W. Thomas, Indianapolis 3-4-36.0; David Collier, Bargersville 3-4-33.3; Randy McKinniss, Lafayette 1-5-34.3.

**CLASS DD** — Bill Tom, Elkhart 6-1-39.7; Ron Engle, Anderson 6-1-33.8; Jeff Bowyer, Frankfort 4-3-34.5; Gene Mendenhall, Noblesville 4-3-29.9; Richard Hostetter, Indianapolis 3-4-29.8; Brian O'Connor, New Castle 2-5-32.5; Bob Reid, Scottsburg 2-5-32.4; Ed Howdeshell, Rochester 1-6-32.4.

**CLASS D** — Virgil Jackson, Warsaw 6-1-38.2; Gene Loy, Union City 5-2-40.9; Don Spray, Frankfort 5-2-31.5; Steve Croddy, Kokomo 4-3-34.8; Grant Davis, Otterbein 4-3-34.3; Sam Chatman, Lebanon 3-4-32.2; Fred Armentrout, Speedway 1-6-20.3; Jim Johnson, Lafayette 0-7-17.6.

**CLASS A — WOMEN** — Kathryn Harrison, Hamilton, Ohio 6-0-72.5; Jackie Fisher, Rigdon 2-4-55.7; Candy Loy, Union City 2-4-52.9; Phyllis Laurie, New Castle 2-4-50.8.

**CLASS B — WOMEN** — Marsha Wilson, Lafayette 6-0-44.3; Lorna Hodgdon, Lebanon 3-2-21.4; Barb Cunningham, Marion 1-5-18.2; Laura Ball, Lafayette 1-5-12.6.

**CLASS A — JUNIORS** — Eric Kingma, Lafayette 5-1-40.4; Fred Kingma, Lafayette 3-3-37.3; Steve Gall, Anderson 3-3-30.8; Kyle Kingma, Lafayette 1-5-29.4.

**CLASS B — JUNIORS** — Scott Johnson, Brooks 3-1-6.8; Chuck Slaughterback, Lafayette 3-1-13.4; Bob Scowden, Buckcreek 3-1-11.2; Rick Meyers, Battleground 1-3-4.3; Mark Gall, Anderson 0-4-11.8.

## From Here And There

From Des Moines, Iowa comes word that Dale Dixon, many times champion from the state of Iowa, has suffered a severe heart attack and will be confined to a hospital for at least three to four weeks. His doctor says that he will return to good health again, but a little time is necessary for his complete recovery. Get well cards will be welcomed at his home address, 2616 - 49th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50310.

## New Emphasis Needed In The NHPA

By Russell Gadoury of Massachusetts

We are now trying to publicize our sport. Why? In the hope that we will grow, especially in membership. Will it happen? I think not. Why? For the same reason we haven't grown in the past. What is that reason? We are locked into a tournament mentality. We think tournaments alone will sell our sport to those on the outside. Are there any other reasons? Yes. Two. They are the high cost of dues and the lack of any benefits to the pitchers.

Forget for the moment any unknown pitchers, those who buy the millions of horseshoes sold each year. Merely survey the members of clubs and leagues who do not join the NHPA. How many clubs can boast of having even half of their members in the NHPA? Any promotion that the NHPA can devise is bound to have the effect of benefitting local clubs more than the NHPA. This is good for the clubs, but not for the NHPA.

The NHPA must completely change its priorities as to what is important, if it is to grow. For too long all too many NHPA members have believed that the skill of our best pitchers is the best way to sell our sport. The "work your way to the top if you want any glory" and "if we could just get Day, Seibold, and company on TV, people will flock to us" thinking. The only "glory" we now give are tournament or class champion patches. The World Tournament has provided considerable exposure to our best players. Have the host clubs noted any dramatic increases in their memberships because of this exposure? I doubt it.

What are the new priorities needed? They are three. First, reduce the price of admission (dues) to a more acceptable level. Second, expand the Awards Program. Three, get the NHPA involved in league play, leagues that have weak pitchers as well as good ones. The Awards Program is the carrot to attract league pitchers.

First we must reduce the dues. The 1974 dues increase was justified by saying we need more money to promote. The result has been more money but a reduction in membership. It seems obvious to me that we should explore other ways to gain the added income. The following price structure could be used.

1. Reduce NHPA dues to \$3.00, juniors \$1.00.
2. Charge players in sanctioned tournaments ten cents. If sixty entries, \$6.00 is sent to the NHPA.
3. League sanction fee, \$4.00. Tournament sanction fee, \$4.00.
4. Court registration fee, \$1.00 per court, \$12.00 maximum. Registration good for a two-year period. Payment of this fee by clubs or individual (back yard courts) pitchers entitles them to be listed in a National Directory of Courts. The directory would be updated every two years. A certain number would be distributed free to state and league officials and additional copies provided for a very small fee.

Second, we must greatly expand our Awards Program. We must start recognizing accomplishments by a large range of pitchers, not just class champions. Such awards as: Most Improved Pitcher; perfect games; pitching various numbers of consecutive ringers; pitching X amount over average; league champions; and others. These awards need not be emblems. We could issue Most Improved Pitcher belt buckles. A merit badge could be given for four consecutive ringers. Bars would be issued that could be attached to the basic badge, for greater runs of ringers. The top pitchers might disdain such an award, but a 10 or 20 percenter would appreciate the recognition by the NHPA. The point is, such awards should be available. You earn it, you get it. An Awards Program will help the NHPA gain high visibility.

Third, we must begin sanctioning leagues. I strongly advise we do not attempt to insist on uniformity in the conduct of leagues, any more than we demand uniformity for tournaments. The primary purpose of the Awards Program and the reduced dues is to make the sanctioning of leagues an attractive idea at the local level. Of course, to obtain a league sanction, all league members must be NHPA members.

In the November 1974 News Digest, Ronald Lundberg, secretary of the "C"



## Emphasis Needed — (Continued)

league in the Minneapolis Horseshoe Club, wrote of his concern that the NHPA had raised the dues from \$1.50 to \$5.00. He had pushed mandatory membership for his 80 members in the past but could not see how he could justify this at \$5.00. He said, "Maybe the NHPA should give the game back to the guy that only plays in the league one night a week or one tournament a year." I say that, for all intents and purposes, this one night a week guy never had the game, so far as the NHPA is concerned. IT'S ABOUT TIME WE START-ED!

The one point we must recognize is that the vast majority of horseshoe pitchers pitch for recreation only. One night a week is enough. They do not like to travel or disrupt their weekends for tournaments. To them, leagues are fun, tournaments are work. You doubt this? The St. Moritz Horseshoe club in Massachusetts has about 30 of its 50 members in the NHPA. That is probably the highest ratio of any club in New England. The largest league in our state, the Twin County League, has at most half a dozen NHPA members. The rest are content with their league play, have no interest in tournaments, and have no good reason to join the NHPA. The NHPA must begin to take an interest in these people if it is to grow. The Preamble to our Constitution reads in part, "... promote establishment of leagues ..." Let's start promoting, in a way that will benefit our sport and the NHPA.

The only way this new priority can come about is if the Executive Council knows that you, the horseshoe pitchers, want the change. They won't know unless we tell them. Will each of you do me a favor? Will you drop me a line, even a postcard will do, and tell me three things? 1. Whether you agree or disagree with me. 2. If you agree, and this plan were implemented, would your league consider obtaining a sanction? 3. What league or club you belong to. If you care to add comments or suggestions for improvement, feel free to do so. Especially your ideas on other awards and types of awards to be used.

There is a deadline. Changing the dues and other fees means a change to the By-Laws. Proposed changes are supposed to be in the hands of the By-Laws Committee by February. Write to me now. I'll let the Executive Council know what you think. Thank you. Russell Gadoury, 44 Edward Rd. Watertown, MA 02172.

## Henton Edges Vandegriff For Columbus Jct., Iowa Open Crown

**CLASS A** — Glen Henton, Maquoketa 5-0-75.7; Bill Vandegriff, Fairfield 4-1-72.3; Art Hampton, Iowa City 3-2-69.9; Harold Darnold, Burlington 2-3-66.6; Ronnie Burgess, Toledo 1-4-63.4; Marion Lange, Bondurant 0-5-57.1.

**CLASS B** — Don Trafford, Davenport 4-1-58.7; Byron Hafner, Letts 4-1-55.5; Stoney Jackson, Burlington 4-1-56.8; Howard Huntley, Cedar Rapids 1-4-40.6; Bennie Carter, Davenport 1-4-42.0; Roger Baldwin, Clarence 1-4-43.2.

**CLASS C** — Don Prottzman, Mt. Pleasant 5-0-52.5; Lester Bell, Lone Tree 3-2-55.2; Larry Bender, West Liberty 2-3-53.9; Madeleo Blake, Letts 2-3-49.7; Richard Proctor, Unionville 2-3-45.2; Floyd Underwood, Winterset 1-4-49.6.

**CLASS D** — Wally Beason, Muscatine 5-0-57.1; Gayle Fuller, Muscatine 3-2-46.3; Charley Foxx, Ottumwa 2-3-48.8; Jerry Darnold, Burlington 2-3-38.8; Lewis Tarbox, Olin 2-3-41.9; Leo Marth, Charles City 1-4-35.7.

**CLASS E** — Elmer Tobias, Muscatine 5-0-53.8; Curtis Ziemann, Luana 3-2-41.8; Matt Marx, Cedar Rapids 3-2-36.5; Leonard Draper, Des Moines 2-3-43.2; Bob Sproston, Mt. Vernon 2-3-40.1; Pete Roe, Lacona 0-5-41.6.

**CLASS F** — Joe Welcher, Osceola 4-1-37.3; John Schantz, Wapello 3-2-35.6; Danny Sease, Des Moines 3-2-33.6; David Edmondson, Wapello 2-3-32.9; Bob Porter, Wyoming, Ill. 2-3-23.5; Boyd Kisling, Stockport 1-4-37.9.

**CLASS G** — Cliff Bucknell, Charles City 5-0-39.8; Leslie Hottle, Iowa City 3-2-28.3; Raymond Lyon, Birmingham 3-2-32.1; Jim Rolan, Des Moines 2-3-33.1; Glen Spears, Grandview 2-3-30.1; E. J. Keltner, Des Moines 0-3 forfeit.

**CLASS H** — Harry Hegarty, Stanwood 5-0-29.8; Art Reed, Creston 4-1-32.9; Max Chidester, Blakesburg 3-2-34.1; Howard Zihlman, Brighton 2-3-23.6; Leo Lamparek, Cedar Rapids 1-4-26.8; Brett Baldwin, Clarence 0-5-25.8.

**CLASS I** — Claude Nanke, What Cheer 4-1-28.2; Gene Acord, What Cheer 4-1-32.8; Adrian Crane, What Cheer 3-2-31.3; Ralph Crawford, Columbus Jct. 2-3-30.1; Harry Carman, Davenport 2-3-29.6; Pern Easton, Ottumwa 0-5-18.5.

**CLASS J** — Virgil Hoel, Floyd 2-0-34.8; Paul Clark, Stanwood 1-1-8.3; Joel Coria, Sigourney 0-2-1.8.



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## Your New England Director Reports . . . By Peter Shepard

Your director attended the Frye Memorial tournament at Winchester, Virginia recently. It was a great tournament. As all people sometimes need a kickoff point, I chose Winchester, Virginia for it. This site will make a very good place to hold the 1978 World Tournament.

At the 1976 World Tournament, your director resigned effective on October 1. All New England was asked to accept it or reject it and find a replacement. I have told all concerned that I have able assistants to take over. It is my feeling that these assistants who have worked hard are capable of taking my place.

However, at the World Tournament, one New England member had a different idea. He did not want any of the assistants to take over as he had another man for the job.

Many of you have written to our NHPA president voicing your opinions that you did not want me to resign. He stated to me to acknowledge my area's wishes and to stay on as director. My assistant also requested me to stay. She is Mrs. Joan Weik of Connecticut and is doing a fine job for which I am proud. My other assistant was Don Fales, who has given up the assistant appointment to assume the presidency of the New England association. To him I extend my congratulations and know that he will do a fine job.

I am happy that I have so many backers in this fine sport which is on the move for which I am very proud.

In life we have to stop along the way and see if all is well. In business we have to stop and reevaluate and then proceed forward. So I guess that by staying on as your director, will be the pause that refreshes and rekindle the fire that will bring bigger and better things. Let us all resolve to move forward together, locally, in each state throughout New England and Nationally in the sport that we all enjoy.

## Lowell Davis Wins Roseburg, Oregon Open Classic

The weather was beautiful. Stewart park in Roseburg, Oregon never looked better on a hot day. The courts were in perfect condition, but the turnout was small.

**CLASS A** — Lowell Davis, Creswell 4-1-65.0; Ridge Leggett, Roseburg 3-2-64.0; Lauren Hill, Troutdale 4-3-59.9; Horace Vincent, Eureka, Cal. 3-2-44.6; Vic Joyner, Philomath 1-4-58.3; Esthel Benner, Salem 1-4-48.7.

**CLASS B** — Chas. Wendling, Scio 6-1-41.4; Leonard Christensen, Harrisburg 4-3-43.0; Ken Leatherman, Portland 4-3-42.2; Elmer Otnes, Oregon City 4-3-41.3; Phylliss Joyner, Philomath 4-3-39.8; Bob Proctor, Redding, Cal. 3-4-37.7; Henry

### CLASS B — (Continued)

McGrew, Albany 2-5-37.3; Don Weinberg, Portland 1-6-31.0.

**CLASS C** — Chas. Christensen, Harrisburg 8-1-29.0; Bob Perry, Roseburg 6-2-32.7; John Franich, Milwaukie 6-2-30.5; Carl Shoberg, Lebanon 4-3-22.8; Jack Stryker, Portland 2-5-20.4; Freeman Williams, Roseburg 2-5-17.6; Dave Shultz, Jennings Lodge 2-5-16.4; Joe Franich, Milwaukie 0-7-15.7.

## Earle Graves Winner Of Rocky Mountain Open

Veteran Earl Graves continued his 1976 victories by winning the Rocky Mountain Open at Boulder, Colorado, proving a veteran can come back with the right practice and concentration.

**CLASS A** — Earl Graves, Colo. 6-1-62.4; Bill Thomas, Colo. 5-2-53.9; Gerald Labbe, Colo. 4-3-55.5; Jim Tulk, Colo. 4-3-53.3; Tom Roney, Colo. 4-3-53.0; Les Grosenback, Colo. 3-4-53.6; Ben Fields, Colo. 2-5-53.4; Paul LaCrosse, Colo. 0-7-44.2.

**CLASS B** — Gail Campbell, Colo. 5-0-57.9; Bob Engel, Colo. 3-2-47.8; Harold Bindschadler, Wyo. 3-2-46.2; George Abrams, Colo. 3-2-43.3; Hugh Wagner, Colo. 1-4-33.1; Art Schliske, Wyo. 0-5-39.3.

**CLASS C** — Chas. Noble, Colo. 3-1-40.4; Dale Boss, Colo. 3-1-44.4; Don Whitmer, Colo. 2-2-42.0; Glen Robeck, Colo. 1-3-26.8; Al Perry, Colo. 1-3-29.2.

**CLASS D** — Harry Boss, Colo. 4-1-27.3; Stan Barnes, Colo. 4-1-29.3; Ray Danielson, Colo. 3-2-33.1; Starless Dearing, Colo. 3-2-31.5; Lynn Norton, Colo. 1-4-8.8; Dave Norton, Colo. 0-5-8.2.

## Ken Jensen New Champion Of Michigan

Ken Jensen of St. Joseph waded through eleven consecutive victims to win the 1976 Michigan State championship at the Chief Okemos Sportsman Club in Dimondale, Michigan.

Jensen and "Doc" Maison, the defending titlist, tangled in the final round with Jensen surging into a 21-0 lead. Maison had to win to tie Jensen and force a play off contest for the title. He never recovered from Jensen's blazing start and settled for runnerup honors.

Other final title winners were Leo Fitzpatrick, with Oscar Hope, and George Puskar placing second with 8 and 3 records in Class B. Keith Milliman, claimed the B-2 division, Frosty Wyrick, defeated Joe Childers in a play off. Chal Torrey, copped the Class C-2 crown, while Wayne Krauss was the E Class's new champion.

Pat Smith and Gerald "Doc" Maison were nominated, among others, and inducted into the Wolverine State Horseshoe Pitcher's Association Hall of Fame at the awards ceremony held at the conclusion of the state tournament.

Maison was state champion three times. Smith served as Public Relations Director for the W.S.H.P.A. for 11 years and was editor of "Ringer Report".

### CLASS A

	W	L	%
Ken Jensen, St. Joseph	11	0	71.6
Doc Maison, Warren	9	2	72.2
Stan Swarthout, Milan	7	4	67.1
Russ Blumerick, Sterling Hts	6	5	64.0
Bob Wells, Jackson	6	5	63.9
James Ostrander, Lansing	6	5	63.0
Rick Gyorkos, Taylor	6	5	61.6
Bob Williams, Sr., Cement City	5	6	62.7
Joe Holland, Lake Orion	3	8	58.7
Bob Darnold, Ypsilanti	3	8	55.7
Pat Smith, Dimondale	3	8	54.5
Dick Pelton, Horton	1	10	54.5

### CLASS B

	W	L	%
Leo Fitzpatrick, Jackson	9	2	56.5
Oscar Hope, Lansing	8	3	58.1
George Puskar, Detroit	8	3	57.7
Joseph Lenard, Detroit	7	4	54.5
Paul Janning, Marcellus	6	5	53.3
Wilford Horton, Lansing	6	5	52.6
Jus Perticone, Jackson	5	6	55.3
Harley Miller, Sturgis	5	6	54.2
Orlin Knuth, Reed City	4	7	49.1
Lee Jacobs, Belleville	4	7	48.1
Al Thompson, Detroit	2	9	54.2
Al Aspensen, Portland	2	9	48.9

## Michigan State — (Continued)

**CLASS B-2** — Keith Milliman, Sturgis 10-1-46.3; Bob Dove, Lapeer 9-2-48.9; Earl Thrums, Sherwood 7-4-48.5; Jim Schneider, Jackson 6-5-47.8; Wally Frank, Detroit 6-5-46.8; Casey Moubay, Lansing 5-6-48.0; Frank Penterics, Brooklyn 5-6-47.4; Marion Collins, Sebawaing 5-6-43.1; Craig Teall, Holt 4-7-45.1; Jerry Moran, Ypsilanti 3-8-45.3; Jim Clarkson, Oxford 3-8-41.4; Walt Koski, Lapeer 3-8-40.6.

**CLASS C** — Frosty Wyrick, Anchorville 10-1-48.6; Joe Childers, Lapeer 10-1-51.8; Louis Chelf, Jackson 7-4-46.4; Fred Coryell, Lansing 7-4-45.4; Frank Gyorkos, Taylor 7-4-45.3; Vern Snyder, Battle Creek 6-5-40.5; John Vitton, Lake Orion 5-6-35.7; Leonard Robinson, Charlotte 4-7-38.8; Bill Dalby, Lake Orion 4-7-36.4; Henry Wozniak, Detroit 3-8-36.5; Duane Gillin, Metamora, Ohio 3-8-25.4; Dale Traister, Battle Creek 1-10-25.5;

**CLASS C-2** — Chal Torrey, Jackson 10-1-44.8; Duane Bastian, Ypsilanti 9-2-34.2; Lloyd Bartley, Lake Orion 8-3-29.9; Milt Greenman, Jackson 7-4-35.3; Leonard Ritzler, Ypsilanti 7-4-35.2; Milt Swigert, Oxford 6-5-36.2; Louis Hirschman, Montrose 6-5-31.6; Bob LeClair, Sterling Hts 4-7-29.3; Jim Compton, Dimondale 3-8-28.9; Doug Lake, Lansing 3-8-28.3; Bob Williams, Jr. Cement City 3-8-26.0; Ed Kincaid, Sherwood 0-11-19.9.

**CLASS D** — John Decker, Holt 11-0-33.8; Ray Bridenbaugh, Lapeer 7-4-28.0; Don Green, Lapeer 6-5-31.3; Orville Schoenick, Pontiac 6-5-29.4; Paul Raychok, Lake Orion 6-5-28.9; Lou Gallup, Sturgis 6-5-27.9; Fred Smith, Dimondale 6-5-27.3; Tom Bracey, Jackson 6-5-26.0; Duane Gray, Hadley 6-5-24.2; Dean Robinson, Flint 3-8-22.1; Dick Beard, Lansing 2-9-24.6; Ed Tymozek, Mt. Clemens 1-10-19.9.

**CLASS E** — Rex Foster, Jackson 10-1-35.0; Wayne Krauss, Jackson 10-1-26.6; Carl Messer, Levonia 7-4-26.7; Roger Green, Nashville 7-4-24.7; Paul Howard, Lansing 7-4-23.9; Irv Pasch, Lansing 4-4-21.7; Leonard Krauss, Charlotte 6-6-23.2; Joe Spittler, Jackson 4-7-20.1; Jim Jarman, Nashville 4-7-19.9; Neil Bastian, Ypsilanti 2-9-17.1; Pat McGuire, Battle Creek 2-9-10.3; John Boerema, Dimondale 0-11-13.5.

**SENIOR-CLASS A** — Ken Jensen, St. Joseph 6-0-71.7; Willie Horton, Lansing 3-3-52.1; Lee Jacobs, Belleville 3-3-43.3; Vern Snyder, Battle Creek 0-6-33.7.

**WOMEN - CLASS A** — Sandy Wohlgenuth, Jackson 4-0-51.4; Jean Swarthout, Milan 2-2-52.6; Betty Kemp, South Lyon 2-2-41.6; Ilah Beard, Lansing 2-2-35.0; Liz Darnold, Ypsilanti 0-4-21.7.

**CLASS B** — Neoma McAllen, Olivet 4-1-21.2; Clara Raychok, Lake Orion 3-2-16.0; Donna Wyrick, Anchorville 3-2-14.7; Mary Traister, Battle Creek 3-2-12.3; Charlotte Pelton, Horton 1-4-7.9; Linda Krauss, Jackson 1-4-7.5.

**JUNIOR BOYS - CLASS A** — Robbie Darnold, Ypsilanti 4-0-38.0; Dion Gyorkos, Taylor 2-2-31.8; Derrick Gyorkos, Taylor 2-2-31.8; Scott Gray, Hadley 2-2-26.8; Joel Schneider, Jackson 0-4-15.0.

**JUNIOR BOYS - CLASS B** — Bob Garneau, Dimondale 5-0-15.4; Gary Graber, Pottersville 4-1-6.6; Chris Little, Lansing 3-2-7.0; Chris Garneau, Dimondale 2-3-4.0; Damion Gyorkos, Taylor 1-4-3.9; John Graber, Pottersville 0-5-4.4.

**JUNIOR GIRLS** — Shelly Wells, Jackson 2-0-22.0; Jill Schneider, Jackson 1-1-2.9; Alicia Wells, Jackson 0-2-9.7.

## John Cothorn Top Man In Idaho State Championship

The 1976 Idaho state tournament was held at the Eastman Park courts, Buhl, Idaho, on August 28-29.

E. J. Wiley of Nampa was awarded a plaque, and life membership in the State Association for being the Idaho State Champion for twelve consecutive years, 1952 to 1964. He was also given a life membership in the Boise Horseshoe Club last year, and will be recommended for life membership in the National Association. His average for that period was 74%. An injury in 1964 cost him the forefinger and index finger of his right hand. Still pitching and enjoying the game, he has earned the name of "Mr. Horseshoe of Idaho." Officers elected were: President, Marvin Grayson, 1616 16th Ave., Lewiston; Vice President, Walter Hastings, 1702 12th Ave., Lewiston; Secretary, Walter McGarvey, 709 Prospect Ave., Lewiston. The 1977 State tournament will be at Lewiston, Idaho over the Labor Day weekend.

**CLASS A** — John Cothorn, Buhl 6-0-49.4; Dean Curry, Lewiston 4-2-46.4; Les Reighard, Boise 1-5-37.7; Roger Evans, Buhl 1-5-30.0.

**CLASS B** — Burton Bruins, Gooding 7-0-36.0; Con Moser, Buhl 5-2-27.7; Floyd Frey, Eden 4-3-26.3; John Bishoff, St. Anthony 3-4-27.2; Estil Edmonds, Buhl 3-4-24.8; Ray Short, Gooding 3-4-23.2; John Evans, Castleford 2-5-18.3; E. J. Wiley, Nampa 1-6-23.2.

**CLASS C** — Bob Mitchell, Shelley 7-1-33.5; Floyd Fletcher, Boise 6-2-35.4; Ray Click, Boise 5-3-33.0; Butch Quigley, Buhl 5-3-29.7; Bernard Holland, Rupert 4-4-32.2; Mark Jerome, Meridian

## CLASS C — (Continued)

4-4-29.8 Bert Stoddard, Idaho Falls 3-5-28.7; Dennis Phipps, Boise 2-6-24.2; Lyle Anderson, Idaho Falls 0-8-23.2.

**CLASS D** — Dale Weber, Idaho Falls 8-0-30.4; Walt McGarvey, Lewiston 6-2-25.9; Marvin Bartosovsky, Buhl 6-2-23.9; Roger Andrews, Twin Falls 5-3-25.5; Marvin Grayson, Lewiston 4-4-17.0; Les Agee, Eden 3-5-16.8; Glen Reed, Eden 2-6-17.9; Ed Smith, Sugar City 2-6-17.4; Nick Anderson, Idaho Falls 0-8-12.5.

**LADIES CLASS** — Jerry Short, Gooding 4-0-13.5; Teddy Frey, Eden 0-4-8.0.

## Lathe Lasoos Long, Then Larrups Lenz To Gallop To Stockton's Class D Open Title (No. Calif.)

Bud Lathe of Sacramento, came out of the first Northern California Class D starting gate like the thoroughbred he is, (being the 1975 Northern California "D" Champ) and although boxed in on the rail twice, came on strong in the home stretch to turn back Jim Long's all out challenge 32-26, then nipped Clair Lenz by a nose at the wire, 39-35.

John Hintzman continued Sacramento's dominance in the 2nd race, as he outdistanced Turlock's Ray Garcia by a length. This was John's second straight trip to the winner's circle in a week and he now moves up to the Class C field.

The 3rd heat was all Dick Shrene, as the Turlock flash galloped past Larry Karlen in a photo finish 36-32.

**GROUP I** — Bud Lathe, Sacramento 7-2-34.0; Clair Lenz, Shasta 5-3-35.5; Jim Long, Sacramento 5-3-32.8; Joe McConahy, Mosswood 4-3-37.1; John Howell, Sacramento 3-4-28.3; Oscar Farmer, Stockton 2-5-28.3; Gary Crane, Sacramento 2-5-23.7; Ray Sandoval, Turlock 1-6-28.9.

**GROUP II** — John Hintzman, Sacramento 6-1-35.1; Ray Garcia, Turlock 5-2-38.6; Vic Day, Turlock 5-2-37.4; Jim Arnold, Turlock 5-2-34.9; Roy Chase, Turlock 2-5-28.0; Glenn Kelly, Sacramento 2-5-26.3; Ed Anderson, Stockton 2-5-25.4; Ron Barnett, Livermore 1-6-28.6.

**GROUP III** — Dick Shrene, Turlock 7-1-32.8; Larry Karlen, Shasta 6-2-37.5; Tom Mandich,

### GROUP III — (Continued)

Stockton 4-3-27.7; Ray Mittelsteadt, Stockton 4-3-27.4; George Kinkel, San Jose 3-4-28.3; Don Westreicher, Turlock 3-4-20.6; Mike Vanotti, Stockton 2-5-24.0; Sam Franks, Sacramento 0-7-18.0.

**GROUP IV** — Joe Kremer, Sacramento 5-1-20.7; Leroy Austin, Sacramento 4-2-21.0; Allen Pool, Stockton 3-2-25.6; Lee Thornhill, Sacramento 2-3-21.2; Richard Ennis, Stockton 2-3-17.2; Mel Long, Sacramento 0-5-14.4.

**GROUP V** — Phil Heinle, Stockton 5-1-17.1; Richard Smith, Stockton 4-2-17.2; John Garcia, Turlock 3-2-16.0; Les Spivak, Sacramento 2-3-8.0; Mac Mower, Sacramento 2-3-4.5.

## Tom Webb Whips Five, Takes Colusa Class A (No. Calif.)

Northern California Class A champ, Tom Webb of Rio Dell-Scotia, served notice that he's out to repeat in 1976 as he fashioned a perfect 5-0 pitching performance and averaged 61.2%.

Cliff Johnson won 6 of 7 in Group II to reign supreme over hometown Ernie Hall, who had the best game percentage of 43.4 in a field of seven. High percentage game of the day was authored by champ Tom Webb, a fine 70% effort.

**GROUP I** — Tom Webb, Rio Del-Scotia 5-0-61.2; Bob Hanlon, Sonoma Co. 3-2-57.7; Pete Manitone, Sacramento 3-2-50.9; Max Vice, Unoffil. 2-3-50.3; Horace Vinsant, Rio Del-Scotia 1-4-54.5; Oscar Statham, Stockton 1-4-50.3.

**GROUP II** — Cliff Johnson, Sacramento 6-1-39.7; Ernie Hall, Colusa 5-2-43.4; Arnie Coleman, Stockton 4-3-37.4; Ray Williams, Auburn 3-4-38.3; Phil Ingersoll, Rio Del-Scotia 3-4-36.9; Erling Brekke, Rio Del-Scotia 3-4-28.3; Harry Lucas Sacramento 2-5-30.6; Vern Brightman, Rio Del-Scotia 2-5-27.1.

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Dear Ellis:

Horseshoe pitchers: The article "New Emphasis needed in the NHPA", appearing elsewhere in this issue, is my solution to the lack of growth in the NHPA. In trying to keep the article short, I was forced to leave many things unsaid. I cannot emphasize too strongly the value of a good awards program. Two recent occurrences illustrate this. Don Weik, a very good Connecticut pitcher, won the Vermont Open. We kidded him that he didn't need the Tournament Champion emblem since he had one with gold lettering (1976 state champion). No way was he going to give it away! Another pitcher, around 50%, hadn't won since 1973, the last time the year appeared on the emblem. He was jokingly embarrassed at this because his pitching shirt has five consecutive yearly emblems arranged in a semi-circle.

If these two better pitchers take pleasure in receiving this recognition of their skills, how much more so would the lower-average pitchers? Take a look at the awards program of the American Bowling Congress if you want to see what can be done. Something has to be done if we want to grow, and we can't afford to wait. Therefore, if you think my approach has merit, please take a few minutes of your time to let me know.

Thank you, Ellis, for giving me this extra space.

Russell A. Gadoury  
Secretary, Mass. HPA

### Jensen Cops Michigan Senior Horseshoe Title

Ken Jensen launched the 1976 Michigan State Horseshoe Pitching Championships at the Chief Okemos Sportsman's Club. Jensen was undefeated in 6 contests and averaged 71.4% ringers.

Willy Horton and Lee Jacobs tied for second in the senior division.

Young Bobby Garneau ruled the Junior Boys B group by copping 5 consecutive victories, Gary Graber lost only to Garneau and settled for second with a 4 and 1 record.

Robby Darnold dominated the Class A Junior Boys competition. He went 4 for 4 for the title while Dion Gyorkos and Derrick Gyorkos and Scott Grey all tied for runnerup honors with 2 and 2 records. Darnold's high game was 47%.

Shelley Wells edged her friend, Jill Schneider for the Junior Girls state title winning the deciding contest.

### Pritchard Wins Playoff For Red Oak, Iowa Open Title

Class A-1 and Class A-2 had a play-off for Champion of the Red Oak Tournament between Dean Pritchard of Jct. City, Kansas and Woody Wilson of Red Oak. Dean Pritchard won 51-20.



## Red Oak — (Continued)

**CLASS A-1** — Dean Pritchard, Jct. City Kansas 6-0-64.8; Kenneth Kinney, Mo. 3-2-57.3; Guy Spitzer, Adair 3-2-58.9; Marion Lange, Bondurant 2-3-50.3; Wally Uhlig, Anita 2-3-55.3; Kenneth Schorg, Remsen 0-5-49.4.

**CLASS A-2** — Woody Wilson, Red Oak 4-2-60.8; Art Hampton, Iowa City 4-1-65.4; Ray Carvin, Mo. 3-2-53.5; Arnold Lester, Ill. 2-3-51.4; Earl Wiges, Exira 1-4-55.7; Fred Kinney, Mo. 1-4-52.1.

**CLASS B** — Bernard Ricker, Afton 4-1-58.1; George Whitlatch, Altoona 3-2-56.0; Dean Carter, Council Bluffs 3-2-50.3; Floyd Underwood, Winterset 2-3-49.1; Larry Bender, West Liberty 2-3-47.3; Jan Flemming, Minden 1-4-46.6.

**CLASS C** — Gary James, McClelland 4-1-47.7; Wilbur Gay, Mo. 3-2-41.7; Art Brown, Patterson 3-2-46.0; Lewis Tarbox, Olin 3-2-42.6; John Roberts, Hartford 1-4-43.1; Bruce Taylor, Sioux City, Iowa 1-4-34.8.

**CLASS D** — Wilbur Andrews, Red Oak 5-0-39.0; Jake Davis, Wilton Jct. 3-2-41.3; Curtis Ziemann, Luana 3-2-40.0; Bob Bjorkgren, Marcus 2-3-37.2;

## CLASS D — (Continued)

Chuck Knight, Winterset 1-4-34.4; Max Ungles, Mo. 1-4-30.2.

**CLASS E** — Vince Ehrman, Anita 5-0-34.5; Vern Miller, Atlantic 4-1-44.5; Joe Welcher, Osceola 3-2-33.5; Danny Sease, Des Moines 2-3-34.0; Ray Daugherty, Council Bluffs 1-4-32.4; Bob Hitchcock, Mo. 0-5-34.9.

**CLASS F** — Dale Johnson, Mo. 4-1-28.1; Ralph Crawford, Columbus Jct. 4-1-28.3; Jim Harden, Ames 2-3-28.2; Dan Poppie, Minden 2-3-30.9; Leon Roush, Mo. 2-3-28.2; Fayette Pierce, West Des Moines 1-4-24.4.

**CLASS G** — John Krueger, Oakland 3-1-26.0; Bill Stalder, Brooks 3-1-21.5; Alvin Strasil, Falls City, Nebr. 2-2-18.8; Mike Christensen, Council Bluffs 2-2-17.9; Conrad Germain, Ames 0-4-12.1.

**CLASS H** — Larry Wendt, Elliott 3-0-12.3; Tom Grau, Council Bluffs 2-1-4.9; Ron Roberts, Desota 1-2-6.7; Ralph Myhlhausen, Council Bluffs 0-3-8.8.

**JUNIOR BOYS** — Paul Roberts, Hartford 2-0-25.0; Brian Flemming, Minden 0-2-13.5.

**JUNIOR GIRLS** — Heather Whitlatch, Altoona 2-1-2.0; Pam Roberts, Hartford 1-2-2.0.

## Mountain Folks Reap Trophies — Wyoming State

In Wyoming, it appears mountain folks get a feel for horseshoes that city dudes fail to experience. Maybe it is the feel that comes from removing shoes from horses at dusk so the horses can rest comfortably at night and putting those shoes on every morning preparatory to the work day.

The Men's State Title was decided in a playoff by Ferris Mt. Raymond and Ten Mile Miller. Raymond won because he apparently had more horses to attend. Ruth Raymond, Ken's Mrs. did her chores by taking first place in the Ladies Class B and daughter Sandy took the third place trophy. Mrs. Ten Mile Miller captured the 2nd place trophy in the Ladies championship class thereby adding the second trophy to the Miller collection.

Evelyn Smith of Laramie, a rookie horseshoe pitcher without previous tournament experience, won the Ladies State Championship by defeating Mrs. Ten Mile Miller. For the first time in several years there were no competitors for the Junior State Championship.

By ballot, at the annual convention, the President and Secretary-Treasurer retained their respective offices. Hugo Lenz of Wheatland was made 1st Vice President and Don Whitmer was elected 3rd Vice President.

**CLASS A** — Raymond, Rawlins 6-1-48.3; Miller, Saratoga 6-1-51.1; German, Casper 5-2-51.4; Harrison, Cheyenne 5-2-50.0; Bindschadler, Laramie 3-4-43.4; Lenz, Wheatland 2-5-39.2; Matson, Rawlins 1-6-31.6; Eiseman, Riverton 0-7-35.4.

**CLASS B** — Stemple, Rawlins 6-1-43.3; Demshar, Rock Springs 6-1-35.4; Schiske, Meridan 4-3-38.1; Schutz, Laramie 3-4-34.2; Lundberg, Laramie 3-4-27.1; Martin, Laramie 3-4-26.7; Warren, Laramie 2-5-31.2; Whitmer, Cheyenne 1-6-31.3.

**CLASS C** — Schroyer, Laramie 8-2-27.5; Vigil, Casper 7-3-25.5; Poydack, Rawlins 6-4-27.1; North, Casper 4-6-24.6; Laurenson, Rock Springs 4-6-21.8; Eiseman, Riverton 1-9-15.2.

**CLASS D** — Pilnacek, Laramie 9-1-23.9; Pulse, Cheyenne 8-2-29.3; Dungan, Casper 6-4-16.9; Vigil, Casper 3-7-14.1; Gaylord, Casper forfeit, Cole, Laramie forfeit.

**CLASS E** — Maul, Cheyenne 7-2-13.9; Hayes, Rawlins 6-3-12.1; Steele, Rawlins 5-4-12.2; Mathewson, Laramie 0-9-6.9.

**LADIES A** — Smith, Laramie 6-1-27.7; Miller, Saratoga 1-6-18.4.

**LADIES B** — Raymond D. 8-1-14.4; Williams, Laramie 7-2-16.3; Raymond S. Rawlins 6-3-14.1; Beltz, Laramie 2-7-2.7; Burns, Laramie 2-7-2.1 York, Riverton forfeit.

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## Maddox Wins Twentieth State Title In West Virginia

Ralph Maddox of Poca, won his twentieth title as West Virginia State Horseshoe Champion in the State Tournament held September 4 and 5 at Moundsville. Forty-two horseshoe pitchers from all over the state participated in the two day event.

Maddox remained undefeated in the 12 man Class and despite terrific winds which actually blew the shoes in the air on Sunday afternoon he managed to wind up the tourney with a 73.3 average. Sonny Bertrand of Moundsville placed second, his only loss being to Maddox in their final game.

Men's Class B was won by Jerry Wykle of Frankford with a 7-0 record. Second place went to Roy Cline of Beckley and third place was won by Don Swaim of Berkeley Springs.

At the conclusion of Class C even the winner couldn't go home undefeated as the top three finishers in that class were all determined to take first place. However, the final game determined Lynn Reed of Weston to be the winner and Don Dotson of Salem and Arnold Griffith of Oceana tied for second.

There were several determined pitchers in Class D. The final game saw Andy Novel of Moundsville and Clyde Baker of Maxwelton tied for first. Glenn Gillespie of Weston and Don McCloud of Moundsville tied for third. In the playoff game for first, Novel defeated Baker 52-29 pitching 45.1 percent for the game (his high for the tournament). Gillespie placed third.

Class E did have an undefeated winner, Marty Adamaik of Moundsville. As a matter of fact, host club Moundsville kept everything at home as their pitchers Dave Lightner and Charlie Clark placed second and third respectively.

West Virginia Ladies Champion is Eloise Keene of Ronceverte. She finished with a percentage of 24.4 and no losses. Carol Flowers of Lumberport placed second and Emma Davis of Lumberport placed third.

**CLASS A** — Ralph Maddox, Poca 11-0-73.3; Sherman Bertrand, Moundsville 10-1-67.6; Don Marshall, Beckley 9-2-63.4; Harry Davis, Clarksburg 7-4-58.1; Joe Cochran, Ronceverte 6-5-57.9; Carl Shawver, Charleston 6-5-52.1; Jim Titus, Lost Creek 5-6-54.2; Gene Lucas, Daniels 3-8-55.5; Sherley Davis, Clarksburg 3-8-51.0; Raymond Harmon, Parkersburg 2-9-52.2; Buck Mann, Fairlea 2-9-50.4; Marshall Flowers, Lumberport, 2-9-49.1.

**CLASS B** — Jerry Wykle, Frankford 7-0-58.6; Roy Cline, Beckley 6-1-52.1; Donald Swaim, Berkeley Spgs. 4-3-49.0; Herbert Murray, Parkersburg 4-3-48.4; Richard Wiseman, Asbury 3-4-49.5; Dennis Unger, Berkeley Spgs. 2-5-47.8; Ken Buchanan, Parkersburg 2-5-46.6; Lee Merwin, Wheeling 0-7-34.3.

**CLASS C** — Lynn Reed, Weston 6-1-49.7; Arnold Griffith, Oceana 5-2-45.5; Donald Dotson,

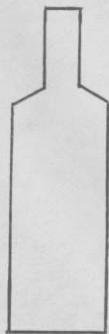
**CLASS C** — (Continued)

Salem 5-2-44.1; Fred Umbel, Parkersburg, 4-3-43.1; Willie Burge, Weirton 3-4-42.7; Carl Wigal, Parkersburg 3-4-39.2; Russ Wade, Wadestown 2-5-36.2; James Davis, Lumberport forfeit.

**CLASS D** — Andy Novel, Moundsville 5-1-37.3; Clyde Baker, Maxwelton 4-2-36.4; Glenn Gillespie, Weston 3-2-32.7; Donald McCloud, Moundsville 3-2-29.9; Jim Keene, Ronceverte 1-4-24.3; Loman Tumlin, Parkersburg 0-5-20.1.

**CLASS E** — Marty Adamiak, Moundsville 5-0-16.7; Dave Lightner, Moundsville 4-1-19.8; Charlie Clark, Moundsville 3-2-19.9; Alex Sabol, Moundsville 2-3-15.4; John Strader, Weston 1-4-11.7; D. Tennant, Burton forfeit.

**LADIES CLASS** — Eloise Keene, Ronceverte 2-0-24.4; Carol Flowers, Lumberport 1-1-18.9; Emma Davis, Lumberport 0-2-5.0.



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## Kabel Winner Of Ohio State Championship

Horseshoe pitchers came from all parts of the state over Labor Day weekend. We had 210 entries: 157 men, 20 ladies, 26 boys and 7 girls. Thanks to all pitchers, scorekeepers, groundskeepers and office help. The weather was beautiful — 6 drops of rain.

### CLASS A

	W	L	%
W. Kabel	11	2	75.3
J. Knisley	10	3	76.0
G. Riffle	10	3	74.0
M. Roseberry	10	3	70.4
S. Manker	8	5	70.0
H. Anthony	7	6	73.8
A. Copeland	6	7	70.3
G. Roberts	6	7	66.9
J. Pillion	6	7	63.5
K. Kugler	5	8	68.6
P. Focht	4	9	70.1
M. Bannister	4	9	60.4
E. Harrison	2	11	62.2
F. Brown	2	11	59.9

**CLASS C** — H. Bryant 6-1-56.9; M. Gardner 5-2-56.5; S. Powers 5-2-55.1; H. Brunner 3-4-56.0; J. Brown 3-4-50.0; F. Latimore 3-4-48.6; Z. Campbell 2-5-51.0; Dilgard 1-6-48.7.

**CLASS D** — K. Wagonfield 4-1-55.5; T. Pearce 4-1-58.7; C. Mays 3-2-56.8; R. Hoerst 3-2-47.9; J. Wilson 1-4-48.6; G. Stiffel 0-5-42.5.

**CLASS E** — E. Waggoner 4-1-50.7; A. Maur 4-1-51.3; D. Rose 3-2-52.4; D. Hummel 3-2-50.9; T. Boesch 1-4-37.3; K. Stinchcomb 0-5-34.8.

**CLASS F** — J. Boesch 4-1-50.3; H. Fouss 4-1-48.1; D. Bussey 2-3-51.3; R. Futrell 2-3-51.3; D. Knotts 2-3-41.1; G. Kline 1-4-46.5.

**CLASS G** — N. Ramey 4-1-53.5; H. Hopkins 4-1-48.7; B. Chappel 3-2-45.9; H. Wright 2-3-41.1; H. May 2-3-37.8; D. Stump 1-4-43.9.

**CLASS H** — L. Coy 5-0-48.3; D. Roberts 4-1-55.4; L. Rose 3-2-43.3; F. Asher 2-3-41.5; D. Jenkins 1-4-44.9; W. Meador 0-5-39.5.

**CLASS I** — P. Rohrs 5-0-52.5; B. Knepper 3-2-43.5; W. Robinette 3-2-43.1; H. Wolfe 2-3-34.5; B. Johnson 1-4-40.3; D. Young 1-4-35.7.

**CLASS J** — J. Kiser 5-0-50.0; B. Fourmau 3-2-43.5; J. Ridinger 3-2-39.2; J. Deweese 2-3-42.1; R. Frost 2-3-41.0; A. Davis 0-5-35.0.

**CLASS K** — R. Cochran 4-1-40.1; G. Thome 3-2-44.1; D. Faulkner 3-2-42.1; O. Cross 2-3-38.9; D. Henry 2-3-36.8; E. Glass 1-4-39.8.

**CLASS L** — D. Stewart 5-0-42.9; R. Miller 4-1-34.8; J. Winfield 3-2-31.4; F. Karacia 2-4-24.1; S. Harshbarger 1-4-27.1; W. Pitsenbarger 1-4-25.7.

**CLASS M** — J. Williams 4-1-48.0; B. Scholer 4-1-44.1; L. Hite 3-2-39.9; J. Schaffner 3-2-36.3; C. Brickles 1-4-32.6; C. Brady 0-5-32.6.

**CLASS N** — D. Buckingham 5-0-45.6; B. Mabbitt 4-1-44.7; R. Ridinger 3-2-41.1; J. Talmadge 2-3-29.1; T. Eichelberger 1-4-31.9; C. Duncan 0-5-22.0.

**CLASS O** — J. Fisher 5-0-41.0; W. Morrow 4-1-47.4; G. Gibbons 3-2-38.0; M. Snider 2-3-37.7; H. Fisher 1-4-39.7; G. Pierson 1-4-38.5.

**CLASS P** — N. Longwell 5-0-41.3; B. Williams 3-2-35.5; B. Huff 3-2-33.5; B. Hoff 2-3-26.2; F. Worner 2-3-25.5.

**CLASS Q** — D. Logsdon 4-1-36.1; R. Roberts 3-2-34.5; D. Ullery 3-2-31.0; G. Peterson 3-2-29.7; G. Glassburn 1-4-29.8; A. Sobieski 1-4-20.7.

### CLASS B

	W	L	%
T. Harris	11	0	61.2
D. Daniels	7	4	64.2
T. McEldowney	6	5	64.6
J. Hughes	6	5	62.4
B. Colville	6	5	60.0
K. Waggoner	6	5	58.0
G. Rice	6	5	57.7
J. McCombs	6	5	56.8
J. Napier	5	6	59.9
E. Noe	2	9	54.7
C. Shackelford	2	9	53.1
Tuttle	2	9	45.9

**CLASS R** — D. Dombrowsky 5-0-36.4; L. Dexter 4-1-31.1; D. Nickel 3-2-33.1; G. Warvel 2-3-20.1; B. Kuhn 1-4-26.1; W. Still 0-5-16.3.

**CLASS S** — D. Thomas 5-0-37.3; B. Williams 4-1-24.2; G. Curly 3-2-22.7; M. Braddock 2-3-21.3; Bye; Bye.

**CLASS T** — A. Shepherd 5-0-28.1; J. Fourman 4-1-26.9; R. Elam 3-2-22.6; J. Kimmey 2-3-23.2; C. Myers 1-4-14.2; R. Ward 0-5-13.0.

**CLASS U** — G. Gardner 5-0-29.9; H. Cox 3-2-25.0; H. Allen 2-3-21.1; W. Godwin 2-3-20.0; G. Wheeler 2-3-13.7; K. Moore 1-4-16.8.

**CLASS V** — D. Razook 5-0-27.1; H. Cole 3-2-24.5; D. Schlosser 3-2-20.3; D. Wheeler 2-3-24.4; J. Slamer 2-3-18.8; R. Sturgill 0-5-9.2.

**CLASS W** — M. Dawson 5-0-9.3; M. Miller 3-2-10.6; N. Teaford 3-2-8.8; R. Hymer 2-3-10.3; B. Proffit 2-3-9.3; Bye.

**CLASS A — JUNIOR BOYS** — Brian Neff 7-0-71.9; M. Bussey 6-1-54.1; R. Hymer 5-2-56.9; M. Hoerst 4-3-53.4; M. Brown 2-5-44.5; S. Hummel 2-5-44.4; P. Hummel 1-6-44.8; R. Reeder 1-6-40.5.

**CLASS B — JUNIOR BOYS** — T. Eichelberger 4-1-46.3; D. Brown 4-1-44.4; B. Reeder 4-1-40.3; J. Smith 2-3-27.4; E. Brown 1-4-16.0; D. Gibbs 0-5-19.1.

**CLASS C — JUNIOR BOYS** — K. Short 4-1-36.0; A. Thome 4-1-31.2; T. Schlosser 4-1-23.6; S. Rohrs 2-3-19.6; M. Williams 1-4-13.2; T. Johnson 0-5-5.2.

**CLASS D — JUNIOR BOYS** — J. McGilton 4-1-13.2; K. Geiser 4-1-10.8; T. Hymer 3-2-8.8; T. Saad 2-3-4.4; M. Duncan 2-3-3.2; J. Thompson 0-5-6.4.

**CLASS A — JUNIOR GIRLS** — A. Reno 2-1-33.2; S. Roberts 2-1-28.6; L. Reno 2-1-28.2; G. Duncan 0-3-18.1.

**CLASS B — JUNIOR GIRLS** — B. Harrison 3-0-3.6; C. Hymer 2-1-6.9; L. Smith 1-2-2.8.

**CLASS A — LADIES** — K. Harrison 6-1-65.5; O. Reno 6-1-68.8; H. Roberts 4-3-55.5; C. Still 4-3-55.2; J. Reno 4-3-54.1; G. Proffit 2-5-42.4; J. McCombs 1-6-44.1; R. Kirk 1-6-43.6.

**CLASS B — LADIES** — H. Brown 4-1-41.1; H. Ortolfo 4-1-49.4; D. Still 2-3-46.4; E. Duncan 2-3-43.7; A. Brown 2-3-38.3; M. Thomas 1-4-27.1.

**CLASS C — LADIES** — J. Schlosser 4-1-43.9; L. Halcomb 4-1-40.2; C. Dombrowsky 3-2-37.8; J. Myers 3-2-34.2; R. Curley 1-4-20.8; J. Hymen 0-5-17.3.

## Herfurth, Michaud, Howe, Domey Win Massachusetts State Titles

After winning the Western Mass Invitational in June, Bernard Herfurth was quoted in the Springfield newspaper, "There's a fellow in Sutton who is better than I. He was nice enough to stay home and let me win." Two months later that fellow from Sutton, Ed Domey, did not stay home. He came to the courts of the Greater Lowell Horseshoe Club with every intention of successfully defending his Massachusetts State title. With the score 32-18 in his favor, Ed had the game in the bag, or so it seemed. Twenty-six shoes and twenty-five ringers later, the champ was floored and Mr. Herfurth had regained the crown he wore so proudly in 1973 and 1974.

Debby Michaud and Rick Howe had no difficulties successfully defending their Women's and Boy's championships, as they are the class of the field at this time. Both were popping games in the 80's. Barbara Domey won a best of three match over her sister, Janice, to repeat as Girl's champion, in a close contest. It might have been otherwise. On the scheduled date of the match Barbara was too ill to compete. Rather than see a championship go by default, especially as the two girls are so evenly matched, it was decided to postpone their match for one week. Janice then filled in the Boy's class and averaged 50.6% ringers.

In the Mass State Mixed Doubles Championship, Fran Norman and Chris Borglund teamed up to defeat Dan Beane and Bev Fontaine for the championship, in a close 36-30 play-off battle.

**CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS** — Bernard Herfurth 7-0-72.0; Ed Domey 6-1-69.9; Bill Allain 4-3-64.1; Paul Cormier 4-3-62.8; Charles Richardson 3-4-55.7; Russ Sweeney 2-5-58.0; Mel Merritt 2-5-50.3; Russ Gadoury 0-7-51.2.

**CLASS B** — Dan Beane 6-1-54.1; John Duffy 5-2-58.2; Paul Drowne 4-3-55.5; Ron Prue 4-3-50.3; Ed Bodinski 3-4-55.6; Mike Murphy 3-4-52.0; Fred Simon 2-5-50.9; Paul Ducharme 1-6-40.5.

**CLASS C** — Bill Progen 6-1-44.2; Ray Peloquin 5-2-47.0; William Levesque 4-3-51.9; William White 4-3-43.6; Jerry LoConte 3-4-40.3; Joe Grillo 3-4-39.8; Joe Guy 3-4-36.5; Don Harrison 0-7-33.6.

**CLASS D** — Nick Vafides 6-1-39.9; Charles Bonani 5-2-40.6; Bill Knowles 4-3-35.5; Paul Dupuis 4-3-34.4; Al LaRose 4-3-30.6; Alfred Hamel 3-4-42.3; Howard Stewart 2-5-32.1; Richard Shepard 0-7-26.0.

**CLASS E** — James Wyllie 5-2-36.0; Al Doucette 4-3-31.4; Harry Schriker 4-3-29.9; Ralph Forstrom 4-3-28.1; Anthony Naciewicz 3-4-28.9; Robert Butler 3-4-28.3; William English 3-4-25.9; Edmund Harrington 3-4-23.8.

**CLASS F** — Jerry Copeland 5-0-34.5; Armando

### CLASS F — (Continued)

Deluca 4-1-16.3; Bill McMahon 3-2-27.3; Herbert Cornforth 2-3-25.6; Paul Landry 1-4-13.8; Moe Farmer 1-4-11.1.

**CLASS G** — Don Fontaine 4-1-22.2; Edwin Hamilton 4-1-24.1; James Taverna 3-2-18.7; James Osgood 2-3-12.7; Joe Lombardo 1-4-17.5; Tom Henley 1-4-15.7.

**WOMEN - CLASS A** — Debby Michaud 5-0-69.7; Edith Gadoury 4-1-34.5; Joyce Landry 3-2-27.4; Bev Fontaine 2-3-24.4; Mary Steeves 1-4-20.7; Rose Marie Sousa 0-5-21.2.

**JUNIOR GIRLS** — Barbara Domey 2-0-46.7; Janice Domey 0-2-41.7.

**JUNIOR BOYS** — Rick Howe 5-0-78.3; Gary Dumont 4-1-31.0; Paul Domey 3-2-47.0; Rick Dupuis 2-3-18.2; Keane Stroup 1-4-5.6.

**MASSACHUSETTS STATE DOUBLES** — Fran Norman - Chris Borglund; Dan Beane - Bev Fontaine; John Gelinas - John Duffy; Joe Grillo - Ed Harrington; Ron Prue - Don Fontaine; Don Harrison - Dick Shepard; Russ Sweeney - Ed Nelson; Bill Lawson - Don Blomquist; Gardner Alden - Virginia Alden; Russ Gadoury - Bart Sargent; Howard Stewart - Bob Butler; Bob Steeves - Mary Steeves.

## Bob Graham Regains Texas State Title; Jayme Bruney, Ladies Champ; Eddie Posey Tops Juniors

Bob Graham, the steady Houston, Texas tosser, took his second Texas State title with a 7-0 record, and 70.2% tournament. Rod Hatton, with a 4-3 mark, was a distant second with Jim Ostrander taking third place. Graham's consistency did the damage as he pitched a record-setting tournament, breaking his 1975 mark of 67.2%. The ladies were led by Jayme Bruney of San Antonio, who was shocked with the first round loss to Debbi Newkirk of Dallas, but pitched strong the rest of the day to win her first State Title with a fine 4-1, 26.0% mark. Debby took second on the strength of her 3-2, 21.3% effort. Eddie Posey from Arlington won the State Junior Crown with a perfect 4-0 day,

## Texas State — (Continued)

while Joey Pizzini of San Antonio took second with 3-1. In Class B, Jack Campbell of Houston was forced into a play-off by Hal Mineer and Jeff Gaston, but took their measure and the top prize with a 44.3%, 6-2 day. Both Mineer and Gaston pitched superb but had to settle for second and third respectively. In other action, Bob Binge took Class C, John Brown won Class D, Bobby Williams of Arlington took Class E, Tim Tillman of Rockport was undefeated in winning Class F, and Glynn Pennington of Grapeland won Class G and was undefeated. In the doubles, Allen and Randall Williams of Arlington had a perfect 6-0 record to take the State Crown; Graham and Pennington were runner-up. During the annual business meeting, Nolan Morris of Grapeland was voted the most improved pitcher's trophy and Bob Alexander of San Antonio won the Mose Sanderson sportsmanship award. Archie Roach of Denton, Texas was unanimously elected to the Texas Horseshoe Pitcher's Hall of Fame, becoming the 7th member in the elite circle. Archie joined the N.H.P.A. in 1964 and in his 12 year career has served as president, 1st and 2nd vice president, Hall of Fame chairman, and is currently assistant regional director of Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana. He organized the Denton Club which hosts the Tri-State Tournament each year. In other business, all of the incumbent officers were re-elected to another term with Bobby McCharen of Houston being elected as editor of the Newsletter and member of the executive council. Special thanks is given to Gordon Miles and Bob Emerson of V.F.W. Post 4815 and all ladies and other Post members who so graciously supported and contributed to making the 1976 State Tournament such a success.

**CLASS A** — Bob Graham 7-0-70.2; Rod Hatton 4-3-53.0; Jim Ostrander 4-3-47.6; Bill Campbell 3-4-48.1; Art Ullom 3-4-46.1; Jim Burrow 3-4-44.3; Jim Woodson 2-5-51.1; Bobby McCharen 2-5-48.5.

**CLASS B** — J. Campbell 6-2-44.3; H. Mineer 6-3-43.7; J. Gaston 5-3-40.8; J. Noll, Jr. 4-3-40.2; S. Smith 3-4-40.5; R. Finney 3-4-35.2; V. Callow 2-5-42.9; G. Zarnicki 1-6-33.3.

**CLASS C** — B. Binge 7-1-43.2; G. Morris 6-2-41.2; C. Posey 5-2-39.6; W. Brune 4-3-32.5; N. Morris 4-3-24.3; R. Howard 2-5-28.6; C. Evil-sizer 1-6-24.7; B. Emerson 1-6-21.4.

**CLASS D** — J. Brown 4-1-26.0; B. Alexander 3-2-25.5; R. Gettier 3-2-23.5; J. Pizzini 2-3-26.5; K. Rice 2-3-20.5; T. Howard 1-4-16.0.

**CLASS E** — B. Williams 5-1-18.7; P. Emerson 4-2-16.4; T. Wilkinson 3-2-22.5; T. Tillman 2-3-14.0; T. Jones 2-3-13.7; G. Miles 0-5 forfeit.

**CLASS F** — T. Tillman 6-0-37.1; L. McCaughey 5-1-14.8; J. Roemer 4-2-16.6; L. Parlett 3-3-12.9; A. Cheatham 2-4-13.1; K. Jones 1-5-7.4; B. Lally 0-6 forfeit.

**CLASS G** — G. Penningham 4-0-22.4; J. Noll, Sr., 3-1-12.5; S. Newkirk 2-2-10.0; L. Shelton 1-3-11.2; M. Skidmore 0-4-5.0.

**WOMEN** — J. Brune 4-1-26.0; D. Newkirk 3-2-21.3; J. Pizzini 2-2-21.6; L. Zarnicki 1-3-10.8; L. Posey 1-3-4.1.

**JUNIORS** — E. Posey 4-0-33.3; J. Pizzini 3-1-28.3; A. Williams 2-2-38.3; K. Pizzini 1-3-6.7. R. Williams 0-4-9.2.

## Rioux, Simmons, Michaud, Domey Reign As 1976

### New England Champions

Only one 1975 New England champion repeated in the 1976 tournament held at Heritage Recreation Center in Sutton, Massachusetts last Labor Day weekend. Debby Michaud successfully defended her Women's title, averaging 73.6%, pitching high games of 86.1% and 84.4%, and posting two shutouts.

Normand Rioux defeated defending champion Ed Domey 52-36 in a play-off game to recapture the title he had held in 1972-74. In the final round of play Rioux had defeated Domey handily, jumping out to a quick 19-0 lead. In the play-off, it was Domey with 23 for 26 forcing the play early but leading only 10-3. Rioux then came on strong, finishing with 80.5%.

Maine's Brian Simmons finally put a stop to Rick Howe's run of championships to gain the New England Boy's title. He stopped Howe in game two, 50-40, with 81.4%. The 102-shoe game featured 22 four deads. Rick would still have been in contention except for a Paul Domey upset in round 5, 50-37, because in round six Paul also upset Brian 50-24.

Janice Domey displaced her sister Barbara as the Girl's titlist. Janice pitched games of 59.6%, 38.6%, and 60.5% for a three-game sweep. Her 53.0% aver-

## New England — (Continued)

age broke the Girl's record set by Barbara last year.

During the membership meeting Rhode Island's Peter Heroux and Massachusetts's Gilbert Brinkman were inducted into the New England Hall of Fame as pitcher and organizer, respectively. Anita Patenaude, Maine, and Kevin Hollister, Vermont, received special awards as the most improved pitchers over the past year. A motion was moved by unanimous vote to retain Peter Shepard as Regional Director. Don Fales, formerly an assistant regional director, was elected President of the association. †

**MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS**—Normand Rioux, Conn. 14-1-72.5; Edward Domey, Mass. 14-1-75.3; Don Weik, Conn. 13-2-69.5; Albert Lord, Me. 12-3-72.6; Bernard Herfurth, Mass. 11-4-68.2; George Trabucchi, Conn. 9-6-61.8; Charles Richardson, Mass. 8-7-57.9; Robert Traquair, N.H. 7-8-63.2; Mike Patenaude, Me. 7-8-60.6; Robert Davis, N.H. 7-8-56.7; Paul Cormier, Mass. 5-10-60.3; Dan Beane, Mass. 5-10-55.0; Mel Merritt, Mass. 3-12-56.0; Jack Moore, Conn. 3-12-53.8; Fred Sibley, Me. 1-14-58.1; Amos Whitaker, Mass. 1-14-50.5.

**WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS** — Debby Michaud, Mass. 5-0-73.6; Althea Sevigny, N.H. 3-2-44.2; Mary Roberts, N.H. 3-2-42.1; Edith Gadoury, Mass. 3-2-39.4; Colleen Boudreau, N.H. 1-4-35.6; Carlene Goodrich, Vt. 0-5-33.0.

**JUNIOR BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS** — Brian Simmons, Me. 6-1-75.6; Rick Howe, Mass. 5-2-77.5; Jeff Bochesse, Conn. 5-2-68.5; Mike Kibbee, N.H. 4-3-69.4; Paul Domey, Mass. 4-3-68.7; Joe Merritt, Mass. 3-4-65.5; Robert Howe, Mass. 1-6-49.5; Gary Dumont, Mass. 0-7-36.6.

**JUNIOR GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS** — Janice Domey, Mass. 3-0-53.0; Barbara Domey, Mass. 1-2-36.6; Linda Patenaude, Me. 1-2-36.3; Susan Traquair, N.H. 1-2-23.2.

**MEN'S CLASS B** — Al Boudreau, N.H. 7-0-60.1; Murland Bradley, Conn. 2-5-50.6; Mickey Vecchitto, Conn. 4-3-48.4; Bill Doyle, Conn. 4-3-46.4; Ron Prue, Mass. 3-4-47.4; George Smolander, Mass. 2-5-45.1; Paul Drowne, Mass. 2-5-44.7; Willy Paradis, Conn. 1-6-42.2.

**MEN'S CLASS BB** — Sam Raymond, N.H. 5-2-56.9; Dennis Hansen, Conn. 5-2-47.8; Fran Norman, Mass. 5-2-48.8; Pete Bochesse, Conn. 4-3-55.5; Roger Henson, Conn. 3-4-50.0; Gardner Alden, Mass. 3-4-43.8; Leon Mason, N.H. 2-5-48.3; Clint Simmons, forfeit; Dick Doble, N.H. (Fill-in) 36.4.

**MEN'S CLASS C** — Harry Reid, Mass. 6-1-44.2; Ray Benson, Vt. 5-2-49.1; Al Gallant, Me. 1-2-43.5; Bill Progen, Mass. 4-3-49.4; Angelo Cieslak, Mass. 3-4-43.3; Bill White, Mass. 2-5-40.4; Don Harrison, Mass. 2-5-31.9; Vincent Williams, Conn. 1-6-30.6.

**MEN'S CLASS CC** — Al Hamel, Mass. 6-1-45.8; Charles Bonani, Mass. 6-1-49.4; Pat Gallant, Me. 6-1-49.4; Jerry LaConte, Mass. 3-4-36.3; Don Fales, N.H. 3-4-35.4; Joe Guy, Mass. 2-5-40.0; Bob Griffin, Me. 1-6-33.1; Joe Grillo, Mass. 1-6-29.9.

**MEN'S CLASS D** — David Richards, Me. 5-2-43.6; Guido Giorgette, Conn. 5-2-46.6; Leonard Roy, Me. 5-2-39.9; Frank Wagner, Conn. 4-3-36.8; Nick Vafides, Mass. 3-4-36.4; Granny Dressel, Vt. 3-4-35.8; Dick Shepard, Mass. 2-5-31.4; James Wyllie, Mass. 1-6-33.5.

**MEN'S CLASS DD** — Roger Bolduc, Me. 6-1-30.6; Wes Patenaude, Me. 6-1-37.2; James Styles, Jr., N.H. 5-2-35.6; Al LaRose, Mass. 4-3-33.7; Francis Conant, Me. 3-4-29.3; Gerald Barney, Vt. 3-4-27.0; Hector Sevigny, N.H. 1-6-31.1; Zen LaGrow, Vt. 0-7-19.3.

**MEN'S CLASS E** — Harry Smith, Me. 6-1-38.8; Rene Rodrigue, Conn. 5-2-31.9; Tom Robertson, R. I. 4-3-37.2; Jay Benton, Conn. 4-3-33.6; Dwight Hansen, Conn. 4-3-32.6; William Dickinson, Mass. 2-5-29.8; Charles Hanson, N.H. 2-5-24.4; Tony Naciewicz, Mass. 1-6-31.6.

**MEN'S CLASS EE** — John Airale, Mass. 6-1-38.5; Bill McMahon, Mass. 5-2-29.6; Bill English, Mass. 4-3-28.6; Ralph Forsstrom, Mass. 4-3-26.9; Ed Harrington, Mass. 4-3-26.5; Harry Schricker, Mass. 2-5-27.6; Gerald Bolduc, Me. 2-5-23.1; Peter Benson, Vt. 1-6-27.2.

**MEN'S CLASS F** — Bob Butler, Mass. 6-1-23.5; Dale Land, Mass. 6-1-25.4; David Baillargeon, N.H. 4-3-25.0; Ray Fife, N.H. 4-3-24.8; Chris Borglund, Mass. 4-3-24.3; Mark Knight, Vt. 2-5-29.8; Al Doucette, Mass. 1-6-22.5; Bob Steeves, Mass. 1-6-17.3.

**MEN'S CLASS FF** — Moe Farmer, Mass. 6-1-31.2; Al Arpino, Mass. 6-1-26.3; Paul Landry, Mass. 5-2-23.5; Ed Hamilton, Mass. 3-4-22.4; Donald Moreau, N.H. 3-4-21.3; Armando DeLuca, Mass. 3-4-14.4; Bart Sargent, Mass. 1-6-18.5; Mike Desroches, Mass. 1-6-13.5.

**MEN'S CLASS G** — Jim Taverna, Mass. 5-1-18.6; Paul St. Pierre, Mass. 4-2-21.8; Jim Styles, Sr., N.H. 3-3-15.8; Bob Brimicombe, N.H. 3-3-14.4; James Osgood, Mass. 3-3-11.7; Dick Gardner, Vt. 2-4-16.1; Percy Howe, Mass. 2-4-7.6.

**WOMEN'S CLASS B** — Debby Traquair, N.H. 5-1-34.0; Donna Gelinas, Mass. 5-1-32.1; Anita Patenaude, Me. 4-2-28.9; Joyce Landry, Mass. 4-2-27.6; Pat Tarrallo, N.H. 1-5-20.9; Rose Sousa, Mass. 1-5-20.1; Mary Steeves, Mass. 1-5-19.2.

**JUNIOR BOYS CLASS B** — Gary Richardson, Mass. 6-1-43.5; Ken Fales, N.H. 6-1-43.6; Rick Fife, N.H. 5-2-40.7; Ray Fife, N.H. 5-2-40.0; Calvin Young, Me. 3-4-26.8; Lucien Hodgman, N.H. 2-5-28.6; Jeff Vecchitto, Conn. 1-6-21.5; Brian Towle, Mass. 0-7-13.8.

**JUNIOR BOYS CLASS C** — David Martin, Mass. 8-0-28.1; Rodney Weik, Conn. 7-1-31.2; Doug Bochesse, Conn. 6-2-24.1; Rick Dupuis, Mass. 5-3-22.9; Greg Goodrich, Vt. 4-4-22.6; Billy Tarrallo, 3-5-11.0; Eddie Traquair, N.H. 2-6-12.9; Richard Shepard, Mass. 1-7-9.2; Keane Stroup, Mass. 0-8-3.1.

**JUNIOR GIRLS' CLASS B (unsanctioned-scorers' class)** — Sherry Brochu, N.H. 5-0-18.6; Darlene Towle, Mass. 3-2-7.9; Kim Ryan, Mass. 3-2-5.5; Linda Beique, Mass. 3-2-3.6; Mary DesJardins, Mass. 1-4-4.4; Carol DesJardins, Mass. 0-5-1.3.



## Southern California Association

### CHAMPIONSHIP A

	W	L	%
John Walker, Chula Vista	6	0	75.0
Jerry Schneider, Pico Rivera	5	1	70.4
Arnie Mortenson, Glendale	4	2	61.5
Newell Flann, Westminster	3	3	63.9
Eston Brown, Anaheim	2	4	57.5
Jim Weeks, Norwalk	1	5	58.5
Bill Cessna, Midway City	0	6	51.2

### CHAMPIONSHIP F

	W	L	%
Earl Hogan, San Bernardino	6	1	30.1
Virgil Dickey, San Bernardino	5	2	25.6
Aaron Hoggatt, Sun City	5	2	23.8
Wally Shipley, Orange	5	2	23.7
Ross Faulkner, Huntington Park	3	4	22.3
Don Tutich, Shadow Hills	3	4	18.3
Don McAllister, Colton	1	6	13.7
Al Nichols, Carson	0	7	18.8

### 44% & UNDER HANDICAP

	W	L	%
Ernest Durr, La Puente	11	1	48.2
Thomas Buck, Sun City	11	1	40.5
Louis Strauss, Lomita	9	3	36.6
Virgil Dickey, San Bernardino	9	3	28.0
Hank Drogemuller, Van Nuys	8	3	43.4
Gene Strauss, Lomita	8	3	46.4
Floyd Brown, Exeter	7	4	38.2
Earl Hogan, San Bernardino	7	4	26.2
Gerry Kloefer, Yucaipa	7	4	33.9
Don Tutich, Shadow Hills	7	4	20.3
Ross Faulkner, Huntington Park	6	5	19.8
Erwin Klessig, Bell Gardens	6	5	27.0
Harold Slagg, Ontario	5	6	34.7
Bob Schmidt, Corona	5	6	26.2
Ned Stratton, Rosemead	5	6	16.9
Ken Vickery, Riverside	5	6	33.3
Don McAllister, Colton	5	6	9.9
Harry Morin, San Bernardino	4	7	21.5
Ed Schroeder, San Diego	4	7	29.9
Ralph Alvine, Chula Vista	2	9	26.9
Curt Cessna, Midway City	1	10	16.9
Bob O'Neill, Yucaipa			forfeit

### CHAMPIONSHIP D

	W	L	%
Archie McCallum, Riverside	7	0	41.1
Harold Slagg, Ontario	5	2	38.7
Thomas Buck, Sun City	4	3	45.1
Larry Ford, San Diego	4	3	37.6
Hank Drogemuller, Van Nuys	3	4	40.1
Gene Strauss, Lomita	3	4	38.1
Louis Strauss, Lomita	1	6	39.9
Gerry Kloefer, Yucaipa	1	6	33.5

### SAN DIEGO A HANDICAP

	W	L	%
John Walker, Chula Vista	4	1	77.0
Robert Hudson, San Diego	3	2	61.3
Ward Berg, Pasadena	3	2	40.7
Bob O'Neill, Yucaipa	2	3	45.7
Charles Kerr, San Diego	2	3	46.0
Arnie Mortenson, Glendale	1	4	60.0

### SAN DIEGO C HANDICAP

#### GROUP ONE

	W	L	%
Gene Strauss, Lomita	4	1	57.5
Larry Ford, San Diego	4	1	47.3
Vern Beard, San Diego	4	1	58.6
Stan Standard, Laguna Beach	3	2	51.7
Joe Holder, Yucaipa	1	4	41.4
Paul Aurand, San Diego	0	5	18.9

#### GROUP TWO

	W	L	%
Thomas Buck, Sun City	4	1	46.5
Charles Tucker, LaJolla	3	2	51.5
Ralph Alvine, Chula Vista	3	2	31.8
Louis Strauss, Lomita	3	2	34.6
Lou Gesler, Brawley	2	3	36.1
Stan Dobson, LaMesa	0	5	40.0

#### PLAYOFF

	W	L	%
Gene Strauss, Lomita	3	0	62.8
Thomas Buck, Sun City	2	1	46.4
Charles Tucker, LaJolla	1	2	44.7
Larry Ford, San Diego	0	3	39.6

### SAN DIEGO DOUBLES

	W	L
John Walker - Jack Butler	10	3
Thomas Buck - Bob O'Neill	10	3
Gene Strauss - Larry Ford	9	3
Mike Moyer - Louis Strauss	8	3
Vern Beard - Paul Aurand	6	5
Charles Tucker - Jim Mauney	6	5
Stan Dobson - Clyde Herren	5	6
Charles Kerr - Ralph Alvine	4	7
Stan Standard - Ed Schroeder	4	7
Arnie Mortenson - Don Tutich	4	7
Ward Berg - Lou Gesler	2	9

### LOUIS DEAN DOUBLES

	W	L
Jim Weeks - Don McAllister	8	3
Joe Raykowski - Louis Strauss	8	3
Gene Strauss - Spenser Birt	8	3
Bob O'Neill - Ed Pierre	7	4
Thomas Buck - Virgil Dickey	6	5
Harold Slagg - Bob Schmidt	6	5
Earl Johnson - Ross Faulkner	6	5
Fred Percy - Mel Lingenfelter	5	6
Bill Cessna - Curt Cessna	5	6
Bill Van Sant - Ken Vickery	4	7
Hank Drogemuller - Ralph Alvine	3	8

## Kilgore Top Man At Higginsville, Mo. Annual Benefit Open

Charles Kilgore of Plattsburg, Missouri "outringered" Jerry Wooden to claim title honors in the fourth annual Benefit Open tournament held at Higginsville, Missouri, September 25-26.

The tournament is held each year to raise money for the Special Olympics fund at the Higginsville State School and Hospital. The fund provides the mentally retarded residents of that facility a means of going to the Special Olympics.

The tournament boasts the most beautiful scorekeepers to be seen anywhere as some of the ladies working at the school give willingly of their time to help out.



## Benefit Open — (Continued)

Four classes were rained out this year and many of these pitchers donated their entry fees to the cause. The Higginsville Horseshoe Club donated fourteen trophies and many of the members donated a great deal of time and effort. Ken Wilsie, tournament director, expresses his sincere thanks to all who took part in this humanitarian event. Final standings are indicated by percentage and shoes pitched according to ringers made.

**CLASS A** — Killgore SP 506 R 390 77.0; Woodson SP 520 R 397 76.3; Cooper SP 476 R 333 69.9; Plute SP 376 R 279 74.2; E. Winston SP 484 R 315 65.0; Kempfe SP 342 R 195 57.0; Wilsie SP 246 R 95 38.2; Strohm SP 262 R 145 55.3.

**CLASS B** — Green SP 356 R 186 52.2; Edmondson SP 298 R 156 52.3; Ellermon SP 292 R 138 47.2; B. Winston SP 304 S 143 47.0; Snelson SP 312 R 133 42.6; Buche SP 330 R 137 41.5; Grif-fel SP 314 R 106 33.7; Smith SP 310 R 97 30.3.

**CLASS F** — Kenny SP 290 R 111 38.0; Parker SP 296 R 95 32.0; Campbell SP 332 R 87 26.2; Guild SP 308 R 77 25.0; Cole SP 318 R 81 25.4;

### CLASS F — (Continued)

Woods SP 336 R 64 19.0; E. Shepard SP 288 R 76 26.3.

**CLASS G** — Basesinger SP 342 R 79 26.7; Gill SP 348 R 92 26.4; Kueck SP 332 R 64 19.2; Lewis SP 390 R 93 23.8; Gallet SP 380 R 78 20.5; Scott SP 384 R 67 17.4; Dykes SP 352 R 48 11.0.

**CLASS H** — K. Swigart SP 250 R 48 19.2; Helt SP 304 R 39 12.8; Tennill SP 326 R 22 6.7; Van Boening SP 272 R 30 11.0; L. Swigart SP 316 R 38 12.0.

## Uhlig Tops Creston, Iowa Open Tournament

**CLASS A** — Wally Uhlig, Anita 5-1-56.0; Guy Spittler, Adair 5-1-50.0; Ken Fraser, Franciseo, Calif. 4-2-58.8; Bernard Ricker, Afton 3-3-46.6; Gary James, McClelland 2-4-44.2; Art Brown, Patterson 2-4-41.3; Fred Lavett, Seaside, Calif. 0-6-37.0.

**CLASS B** — John Roberts, Hartford 5-1-45.3; Jake Davis, Wilton Jct. 4-2-42.9; Ray Owens, Worth, Mo. 4-2-40.6; Wilbur Andrews, Red Oak 3-3-39.5; Don Prottzman, Mt. Pleasant 2-4-38.2; Phil Robertson, Garden Grove 2-4-38.9; Chuck Knight, Winterset 1-5-36.7.

**CLASS C** — Don Schutjer, Oskaloosa 5-1-37.4; Verne Miller, Atlantic 4-2-29.5; John Brown, Des Moines 4-2-35.1; Dale Johnson, Burlington Jct. 2-4-32.0; Leonard Draper, Des Moines 2-4-27.4; Joe Welcher, Osceola 2-4-30.7; Maurice Clark, Osceola 2-4-28.4.

**CLASS D** — Vince Ehrman, Anita 4-2-32.7; Jim Rolan, Des Moines 3-3-34.1; Ray Lyon, Birmingham 3-3-30.3; Ray Daugherty, Council Bluffs 3-3-33.8; Don Kullberg, Ft. Dodge 3-3-26.5; Bob Hitchcock, Skidmore, Calif. 3-3-33.0; Leon Roush, Maryville, Mo. 2-4-27.7.

**CLASS E** — Harold Garner, Russell 6-0-34.2; Jim Harden, Ames 4-2-30.5; E. J. Keltner, Des Moines 3-3-26.5; Ralph Crawford, Columbus Jct. 3-3-24.4; Elton Marquis, Gowrie 2-4-26.5; Bill Stalter, Brooks 2-4-22.4; James Hackett, Council Bluffs 1-5-22.1.

**CLASS F** — Dale Owens, Grant City, Mo. 6-0-23.1; Robert Parker, Jr., Des Moines 4-2-19.1; Conrad Germain, Ames 4-2-14.8; Tom Grau, Council Bluffs 3-3-9.9; Larry Wendt, Elliott 3-3-9.1; Ron Roberts, Desota 1-5-6.4; Ralph Myhlhausen, Council Bluffs 1-5-6.4.

## Second Annual Eli Reno Memorial Open Horseshoe Tournament

Ottie Reno, author of several books on the sport of horseshoe pitching, is again sponsoring the Eli Reno Memorial Open Tournament. The event will be held at the Pike County Ohio Indoor Horseshoe courts. Tournament dates are:

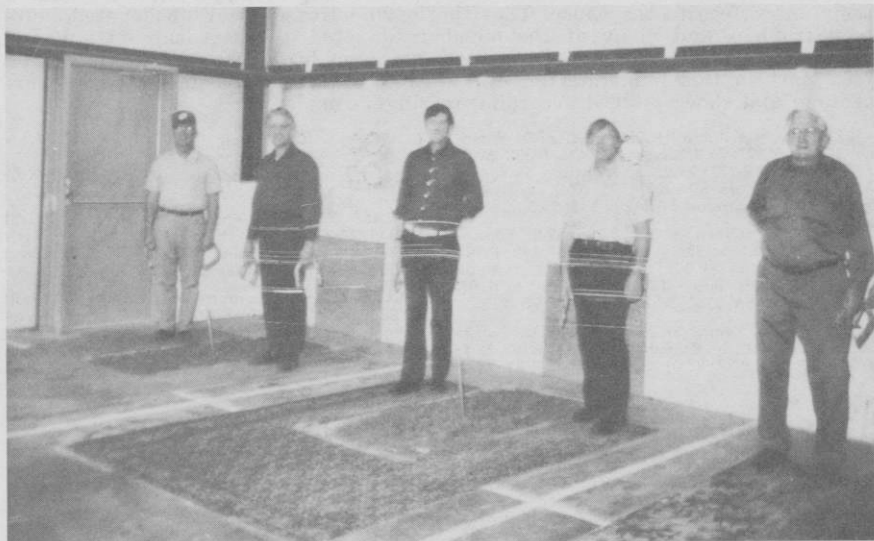
Nov. 27 Class C Men 12:00 noon  
Nov. 27 Class A Women 7:00 p.m.  
Nov. 28 Class A Men 12:00 noon  
Dec. 3 Junior Boys 7:00 p.m.

Dec. 4 Class D Men 12:00 noon  
Dec. 4 Junior Girls 7:00 p.m.  
Dec. 5 Class B Men 12:00 noon  
Dec. 11 Class E Men 12:00 noon  
Dec. 12 Class F Men 12:00 noon

First and second place in all men's classes will receive a copy of Ottie Reno's newest book, "Pitching Championship Horseshoes." This will be the paperback edition. Juniors and women will receive trophies. There will be \$200.00 in prizes and prize money awarded in addition to the trophies. All men and women classes will receive \$1.00 in prize money for each game they win. The winner of each class will also receive free entry into the next open tournament of their choice played at the Pike County Indoor Courts.

The entry fee will be \$6.00 and must be sent in with your entry. Send all entries to Donnie Roberts, Route 5, Lucasville, Ohio 45648 or phone 614-289-4101. \$200.00 prizes and prize money. Enter now. Deadline November 21, 1976 midnight.

## Colchester, Illinois Indoor Courts Open, November 27



The new 3-court indoor facility will be the scene of indoor activity starting on November 27th in Colchester, Illinois. Joe Hightower, originator and promoter of this new court layout invites all pitchers and friends to visit this new facility.

The indoor courts in Friendway Park open November 27th with two six man round robins most every Saturday all winter. The first 6 entries of under 40% pitchers each week will play at 9:00 A. M. The first 6 entries of over 40% pitchers each week will play at 12:00. Entry fee of \$2.00 at game time. Blue, red and white ribbons will be given instead of trophies. Ringer percentage kept in all meets. Lunch served every Saturday and very clean rest rooms.

If you would like to bring your own club or group of 6 or more any Sunday afternoon or week day, please contact Joe Hightower, Colchester, Ill. 62326. Phone 309-776-4887.

## San Bernardino County (Calif.) Annual Championships

The 1976 San Bernardino Annual County Tournament was played on the Fairground courts in Victorville California during Fair time in August.

Again it was Art Dahl of Victorville, who conditioned the 4 courts and made them playable, also coordinated all tournament arrangements and details with County Fair and area officials. He was assisted by Gerry Kloefer and Ralph Randall. Ralph Randall successfully defended his San Bernardino County Class A title with 7 straight wins and a ringer average of 55.3%. The deciding

In Class B, newcomer and rookie pitcher, Walter Glende, Barstow, is the new champion, 6-1, 32% ringer average.

In the Senior Citizen's Class (60 years plus) which was played on Senior Citizen's Day, Virgil Dickey successfully defended his title, 5-0 and a 30% ringer average.

**CLASS A - CHAMPIONSHIP** — Ralph Randall, Barstow 7-0-55.3; Ben Logg, Barstow 6-1-50.0; Bob O'Neill, Yucaipa 4-3-43.2; Jerry Lambert, San Bernardino 4-3-40.1; Paul Grybb, Big Bear 3-4-35.1; Art Dahl, Victorville 3-4-30.8; Fred Adolphi, Apple Valley 1-6-28.5; Joe LaPaglia, Bloomington 0-7-17.6.

**CLASS B** — Walter Glende, Barstow 6-1-32.0; Clair Ostrander, Apple Valley, 5-2-25.5; Carl Eggleston, Apple Valley, 4-3-25.8; Ken Spears, Barstow 3-4-23.8; Joe Lapaglia, Bloomington 2-5-16.0; D. Wallendal, Barstow 2-5-13.6; Dan Spargur, San Bernardino 1-6-19.7; Virgil Dickey, San Bernardino forfeit.

## San Bernadino County — (Continued)

**SENIOR CITIZENS CLASS - (60 yrs plus)** — Virgil Dickey, San Bernardino 5-0-30.0; Earl Hogan, San Bernardino 4-1-32.0; Lloyd Whitrock, San Bernardino 2-3-17.0; George Rodocker, Highland 2-3-9.0; Joe Raby, Rialto 1-4-17.0; Harry Morin, San Bernardino 1-4-13.0.

## Van Sant Edges Griggs For Altamont, Ill. Schuetzenfest Crown

In one of the finest horseshoe games ever witnessed at the Altamont Schuetzenfest, Karl Van Sant of Cayuga, Indiana defeated Ellis Griggs of Plainville, Illinois 50 to 49 in the final match to capture first place prize money and trophy. Each pitcher threw the same number of ringers, 73 out of 96 shoes pitched for a fine 76 per cent.

Charlie Webb of Cahokia, Illinois took third place money and trophy. He also was presented the large trophy for throwing the most consecutive ringers in one game. Charlie started his game with Burl Taylor with 25 straight ringers to earn this trophy.

Henry Franke, fresh from his World Tourney experience, took first place in Class A with Harold Swofford taking second and Ray Myers third. This also marked the return to competition of Gary Farnsworth, who because of a lack of competitive pitching, failed to place, he however is capable of coming back to pitch high percentage horseshoes once again.

The Local Class went right down to the final game also with Calvin McGuire nudging Herb Becker for the top spot with a 30 to 27 victory in the last game. Louie Kroening also pitched well to finish third. Trophies were given for the first three places in each class; a large trophy was given for the most consecutive ringers thrown in one game and \$250 in cash was divided in the Championship Class.

**CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS** — Van Sant 9-0-76.8; Griggs 8-1-77.6; Webb 7-2-69.3; Darnold 6-3-56.5; Schlosser 5-4-56.8. Taylor 4-5-59.3; W. Martin 3-6-57.5; Lyman 2-7-51.8; Miller 1-8-64.9; Wilson 0-9-52.6.

**CLASS A** — Franke 5-0; Swofford 4-1; Myers 2-3; Wolf 2-3; Gibson 2-3; Farnsworth 0-5.

**LOCAL CLASS** — McGuire 7-0; Becker 5-2; Kroening 5-2; P. Milleville 5-2; M. Milleville 3-4; Gilbert 2-5; Beccue 1-6; Stuemke 0-7.



Pictured are those players who participated in the Altamont, Illinois annual Schuetzenfest Open tournament held recently.

## COMING EVENTS

April 1-3, 1977 — 9th Annual Open Carolina Dogwood Festival Horseshoe Tournament, Lakewood Park, 16 lighted courts, Statesville, North Carolina. Men's, Women's, Boys and Girls Divisions. Top cash and trophy awards.

Sept. 18-19, 1977 — Annual Statesville Autumn Open tournament, Lakewood park courts, Statesville, North Carolina. Trophies and cash awards. Mens, Juniors and Ladies and Girls divisions. Roger Norwood defending Champion.

### 1976-1977 INDOOR SCHEDULE

#### PINECREST INDOOR HORSESHOE CLUB Elwood, Indiana

Send all entries to Emma Gall, 2217 E. 4th St., Anderson, In. 46012. Phone 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.

ENTRY FEE \$7.00 on all Tournaments except Indoor State — \$8.00.

Nov. 27-28 — **Northeast Open**. Mailing deadline Nov. 17. Phone deadline Nov. 19.

Jan. 15-16, 1977 — **Winter Round Up**. Mailing deadline Jan. 5. Phone deadline Jan. 7.

Feb. 19-20 — **Ringer Classic**. Mailing deadline Feb. 9. Phone deadline Feb. 11.

Mar. 12-13 — **John Gall Special**. Mailing deadline Mar. 2. Phone deadline Mar. 4.

Apr. 16-17 — **Wood Ringer Classic**. Mailing deadline Apr. 6. Phone deadline Apr. 8.

Apr. 30 — **Henry Brooks Memorial**. For old timers 58 and older.) Mailing deadline Apr. 20. Phone deadline Apr. 22.

May 1 — **Ladies Day Open**. Mailing deadline Apr. 20. Phone deadline Apr. 22.

May 14-15 — **Red Bud Open**. Mailing deadline May 4. Phone deadline May 6.

### DAY-BELL INDOOR COURTS

#### SCHEDULE 1976-1977

November 13-14 — **Thanksgiving Special Open**  
December 18-19 — **Santa's Special** (Special Trophies and Gifts)

January 15-16, 1977 — **Iceicle Open**

February 12-13, 1977 — **Valentine Open**

March 19-20, 1977 — **Harry Henn Memorial Open** and Special

April 23-24, 1977 — **Championship** (Open only to first and second place winners of any previous tournament at Day-Bell)

April 30-May 1, 1977 — **Open** only to anyone who has pitched in a previous tournament and not won a trophy.

All tournaments will have an entry fee of \$7.00. It is also required that in order to have a sanctioned tournament that pitchers in classes A, B, C have a National and state membership card. Other classes are also asked to have the card. Send entry fee and ringer percentage from previous tournament to Day-Bell Courts, 320 Clay Street, Dayton, Kentucky, 41074 or Phone 1-606-581-7009, ten days prior to tournament. No entries will be accepted without entry fee or beyond deadline. Entries will be filled for classes on a first come basis, and after a class is filled, no more entries will be accepted. Get your entry in early if you want to make sure of pitching. Classes A and B will pitch at 12:30 on Sunday afternoon. Classes C and D on Saturday Night at 6:30. Classes E and F will be on Saturday afternoon. Day-Bell is located just 10 Minutes from Cincinnati, easy from I-75, on Kentucky Route 8 East.

### ARIZONA 1976-77 SCHEDULE

Feb. 18-19-20 — **Annual Valley of the Sun Open**, **Rendezvous Park**, Mesa, Arizona.

Mar. 26 — **Snowbird Open**, **Rendezvous Park**, Mesa.

Mail entries to Ralph McCarty, 233 N. Val Vista Dr., No. 512, Mesa, Arizona 85203. Entries close one week prior to first playing date. Fees are \$3.00 for all except the Valley of the Sun which is \$5.00.

Oct. 23 — **State Tournament**, **Rendezvous Park**, Mesa, Arizona.

Nov. 13 and 20 — **Tempe Parks Open**, **Daley Park**, Tempe, Arizona.

Dec. 4 — **Mesa Parks Open**, **Rendezvous Park**, Mesa.

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Jan. 22 — **Valley of the Sun Warm-up**, **Rendezvous Park**, Mesa.

### RUSH INDOOR COURTS

#### 1976-1977 Season . . . Rushville, Indiana

#### Entry fee all tournaments \$7.00

Nov. 13-14 — **Thanksgiving Open**, Mailing deadline Nov. 3. Phone deadline Nov. 5.

Dec. 11-12 — **Christmas Open**, Mailing deadline Dec. 1. Phone deadline Dec. 3.

Jan. 8-9, 1977 — **New Years Open**, Mailing deadline Dec. 31.

Feb. 5-6 — **Rush Indoor Open**, Mailing deadline Jan. 25. Phone deadline Jan. 27.

Mar. 5-6 — **March Open**, Mailing deadline Feb. 23. Phone deadline Feb. 25.

Apr. 4-5 — **Rushville Open**. Mailing deadline March 24. Phone deadline March 25.

Apr. 25-26 — **Spring Special**. Mailing deadline April 15. Phone deadline April 17.

Send all entries to Emma Gall, 2217 E. 4th St., Anderson, IN 46012. Phone 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.

### HERITAGE RECREATION CENTER

#### 1976-77 WINTER SCHEDULE

November 14 — **Turkey Shoot** .39% and under

November 21 **Turkey Shoot** .40% and up

December 12 **Christmas Classic** .39% and under

December 19 **Christmas Classic** 40% and up

January 16 **January Thaw** .39% and under

January 23 **January Thaw** .40% and up

February 13 **Edgar Landry**

February 20 **Edgar Landry** Memorial 39% and under

February 27 **Edgar Landry** Memorial 40% and up

March 20 **Easter Ham Shoot** .39% and under

March 27 **Easter Ham Shoot** .40% and up

April 17 **Heritage Nat'l Open** .39% and under

April 30 **Heritage Nat'l Open** .40% and up

May 1 Sat. & Sun. pitching for Class A.

May 29-30 **Anniversary Open**

Entry fee \$8.00 (includes paid scorekeepers). Mail to: Heritage Recreation Center, Route 146, Sutton, Mass. 01527. Deadline for entries, one week before scheduled date. All entries accepted will be notified of playing time by postal card.

## Coming Events—Continued

### 1976-1977 FLORIDA SCHEDULE

Send \$5.00 entry fee to reach appropriate tournament director (or post marked) 7 days prior to tournament date. All tournaments NHPA sanctioned for Classes A & B. Contestants must hold current State Assn. membership card.

- Nov. 13 — Sunshine Open, Sunshine Park, Orlando, Fla. Contact E.  
 Nov. 20 — Naples Thanksgiving Open, Naples, Fla. Contact J.  
 Nov. 27 — "Birthplace of Speed", Ormond Beach, Fla. Contact D.  
 Dec. 4 — Fla. State Open, Bee Ridge Park, Sarasota, Fla. Contact C.  
 Dec. 11 — Seminole Open, Seminole, Fla. (Sanctioned all classes). Contact A.  
 Dec. 18 — Orlando Open, Sunshine Park, Orlando, Fla. Contact E.  
 Jan. 8, '76 — Plant City Open, Plant City, Fla. Contact F.  
 Jan. 15 — West Coast Open, Ed. Wright Park, Clearwater, Fla. Contact K.  
 Jan. 22 — Sarasota Open, Bee Ridge Park, Sarasota, Fla. Contact C.  
 Jan. 29 — Manatee County Open, Bradenton, Fla. Contact G.  
 Feb. 5 — Pinellas County Open, Seminole, Fla. (Sanctioned all classes.) Contact A.  
 Feb. 12 — Naples Open, Naples, Fla. Contact J.  
 Feb. 18-19 — Suncoast Open, Bradenton, Fla. Contact G.  
 Feb. 25-26 — Strawberry Festival, Plant City, Fla. Contact F.  
 Mar. 5 — New Smyrna Open, New Smyrna Beach, Fla. Contact I.  
 Mar. 12 — Seminole Pow-Wow, Seminole, Fla. Contact A.

- Mar. 19 — Fun 'N Sun Festival, Ed. Wright Park, Clearwater, Fla.  
 Mar. 25-26 — Desoto Open, Bradenton, Fla. Contact G.  
 Apr. 2 — Orange County Open, Sunshine Park, Orlando, Fla. Contact E.  
 Apr. 9 — Bee Ridge Open, Bee Ridge Park, Sarasota, Fla. Contact C.  
 Apr. 16 — American Legion Open, Titusville, Fla. Contact H.  
 Apr. 23 — Florida State (Closed), Ed. Wright Park, Clearwater, Fla. Contact B.  
 Apr. 30 — Ormond Beach Open, Ormond Beach, Fla. Contact D.

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 B — Norm Gaseau, 1908 Nugget Dr., Clearwater, Fla. 33515 (813-443-2892)  
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 D — Howard Hawes, P. O. Box 423, Bunnell, Fla. 32010 (904-437-2091)  
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 K — Geo. Buskey, 603 Southgate Park, Clearwater, Fla. 33516 (813-441-3332)

### PIKE COUNTY OHIO INDOOR SCHEDULE

#### Eli Reno Memorial Open

- Nov. 27 — Class C Men - 12:00 noon  
 Nov. 27 — Class A Women - 7:00 p.m.  
 Nov. 28 — Class A Men - 12:00 noon  
 Dec. 3 — Junior Boys - 7:00 p.m.  
 Dec. 4 — Class D Men - 12:00 noon  
 Dec. 4 — Junior Girls - 7:00 p.m.  
 Dec. 5 — Class B Men - 12:00 noon  
 Dec. 11 — Class E Men - 12:00 noon  
 Dec. 12 — Class F Men - 12:00 noon

#### January Open Tournament

- Jan. 22 — Class C Men - 12:00 noon  
 Jan. 22 — Class A Women - 7:00 p.m.  
 Jan. 23 — Class A Men - 12:00 noon  
 Jan. 28 — Junior Boys - 7:00 p.m.  
 Jan. 29 — Class D Men - 12:00 noon  
 Jan. 29 — Junior Girls - 7:00 p.m.  
 Jan. 30 — Class B Men - 12:00 p.m.  
 Feb. 5 — Class E Men - 12:00 noon  
 Feb. 5 — Class F Men - 12:00 noon

#### March Open Tournament

- Mar. 26 — Class C Men - 12:00 noon  
 Mar. 26 — Class A Women - 7:00 p.m.  
 Mar. 27 — Class A Men - 12:00 noon  
 Apr. 1 — Junior Boys - 7:00 p.m.  
 Apr. 2 — Class D Men - 12:00 p.m.  
 Apr. 2 — Junior Girls - 7:00 p.m.  
 Apr. 3 — Class B Men - 12:00 noon  
 Apr. 9 — Class E Men - 12:00 noon  
 Apr. 10 — Class F Men - 12:00 noon  
 All classes will play 50 point cancellation and all classes will be 8 players. For the men, Class A is usually 60% and up. Class B is usually 50% to 59%. Class C is usually 40% to 49%, and Class D is usually 30% to 39%. We always have a class from 15% to 20%. Entry fee for all tournaments will be \$6.00. The entry fee must be included with all entries. Send entry to Donnie Roberts, Route 5, Lucasville, Ohio 45648 or phone 614-289-4101.

## Al Ward Winner Of New Jersey AAU Open Tournament

Al Ward topped Tom Skinner in a playoff for the New Jersey AAU open title. This was Al's first time to play in the Class A division.

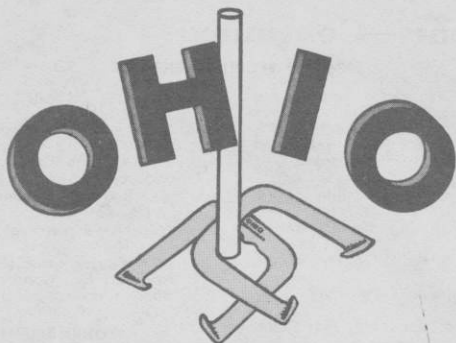
**CLASS A** — Al Ward, N.J. 5-2-52.0; Tom Skinner, N.J. 5-2-54.7; Lou Gancos, N.Y. 4-3-57.0; Al Cherry, N.J. 4-3-54.6; Nick Lysy, N.J. 3-4-49.1; Ted Lewis, N.J. 3-4-45.4; Ed Severs, N.J. 3-4-44.6; Ron Vogel, N.J. 1-6-40.9.

**CLASS B** — Del Fithian, N.J. 5-2-41.7; H. Lee, N.Y. 5-2-42.5; C. White, N.J. 4-3-41.4; Al Price, N.J. 4-3-37.7; L. Zozzaro, N.J. 4-3-34.5; R. Shober, N.J. 3-4-35.1; J. Seland, N.J. 3-4-31.4; J. Drust, N.J. 0-7-24.2.

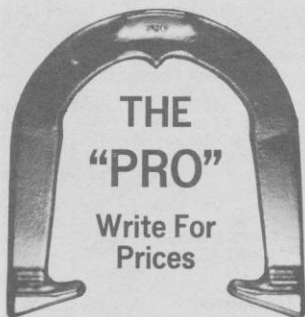
**CLASS C** — H. Christensen, N.J. 7-0-42.0; Tom Bailiff, N.J. 5-2-30.3; Al Beebe, N.J. 5-2-24.3; Tom Reitz, N.Y. 4-3-30.0. John Cottell, N.J. 4-3-31.7; Pat Joyce, N.Y. 2-5-21.8; Nick Similie, N.J. 1-6-18.6; F. Strandskoud, N.J. 0-7-21.1.

**CLASS D** — Bob Moser, 6-1-19.3; John Mozzeo, N.J. 5-2-24.0; Mike Campicotto, N.Y. 5-2-17.3; V. DeMicco, N.J. 5-2-16.0. H. Hanania, N.J. 3-4-20.0; H. Smith, N.J. 3-4-14.3; Marge Melnik, N.Y. 1-6-4.6.





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