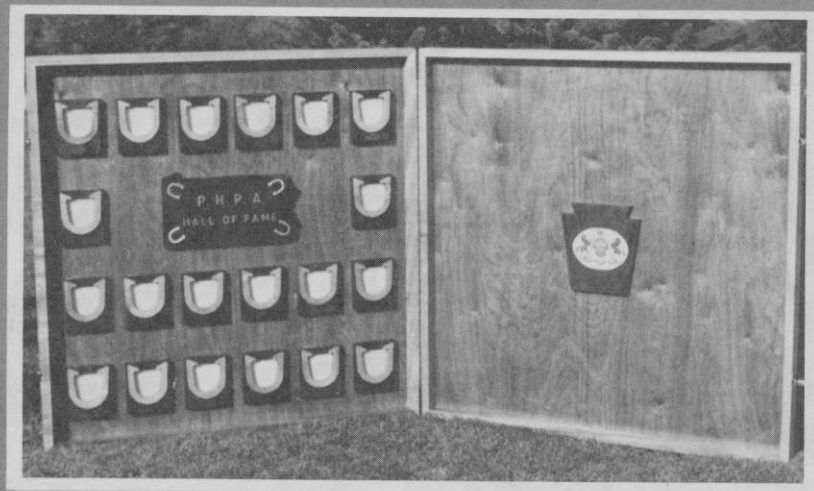


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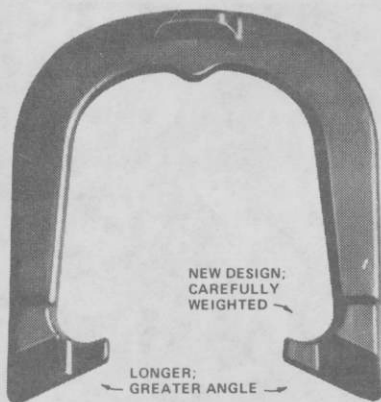
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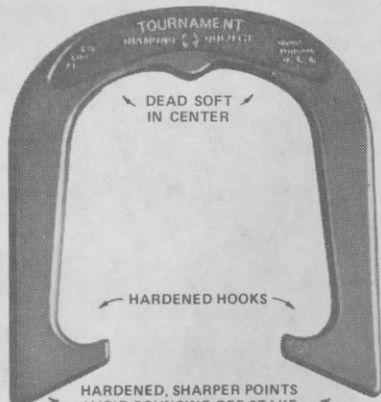


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NHPA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

In the June 1976 issue of the Digest I published the World Tournament Bonus Fund Program, which was approved by the majority of all the NHPA staff. So far to date we have only collected \$80.00. The support has been very disappointing. I would appreciate if all Regional Directors and State Secretaries would give this program great attention and get it off the ground. If it's not going to work or if you're now not interested in trying, please inform me and we will cancel the program. Remember Harold Cook of 10926 - 87 Ave., No. Seminole, Florida is the Treasurer.

The Executive Council has approved Sol Berman's Publicity Committees suggestion by member Glen Portt from Georgia concerning a National Raffle. In order to raise money for Publicity, Sol Berman will select a chairman and publish the details in the Digest later. We would appreciate if all States would get behind this program. It will certainly help the progress of our sport.

Donnie Roberts attended the National Sporting Goods market in Chicago first part of February. He looked at many styles of patches and items for the NHPA award program. He is also getting quotes from several companies. By attending he came up with some new ideas. We hope to have programs ready by convention time.

Happy to announce the Council has approved to reimburse Pete Shepard for his out of pocket expense for the extra money needed for the unfortunate mixed up NHPA party in 1976. In addition extra trophies were approved and had to be purchased by Levittown for the tournament of which Pete paid for himself. This amount was approved and refunded. Thanks, Pete, for your help. We have all learned a great lesson.

Attention all candidates for NHPA office. There is now a new section in the Judiciary section passed by the convention delegates. It reads as follows: "Issues pertaining to future kWorld Tournament sites, Candidates for office, and changes in the Constitution and By-Laws shall be submitted to the News Digest for publication several months prior to the National Convention."

In order to give the delegates ample time to decide on who to vote for I am suggesting all candidates be published in the April Digest. This should give all states time to discuss their wishes with their delegates attending the convention. The By-Laws changes will also be published in the April issue.

The council has approved the 1977 W. T. schedule submitted by Donnie Roberts and approved by the host Greenville. Knowing we can't please everyone we are confident it will please the majority.

Council approved the signing of Joe Goldstein for another 6 months starting February 15 through August 15, 1977. It is the same contract word for word and fee is as last year's.

Sincerely,
Wally Shipley

COVER PICTURE . . . At impressive ceremonies held on Labor Day weekend in 1976 at Erie, Pennsylvania, John Fulton of Carlisle, Pennsylvania and Michael Reidl of Pittsburgh were inducted into Pennsylvania's newly established Hall of Fame following the unveiling of the beautiful handcrafted portable display depicting the Hall of Fame inductee plaques.

REG. DIR. BARRY CHAPELLE REPORTS FROM NORTHWEST

Since the position of Regional Director was created, I have noticed that several of the Directors, including myself, have not had publications printed in our national newsletter. Because the Northwest is well removed from the geographic hotbed of horseshoes and most people are not familiar with us, I would like to introduce to the rest of the nation, "Horseshoes in the Pacific Northwest."

Our region is broken up into three states; Idaho, Oregon, and Washington. Idaho does not have a lot of activity, as its few members are scattered over a wide area, but they showed interest in a national charter in 1976 and we are hoping that they will have one in 1977. Major centers of interest are Lewiston in the northwest and Boise and Buhl in the southern part of the state. Many Idaho pitchers participate in tournaments in eastern Oregon and Washington. E.J. Wiley from Nampa pitched in the World Championship class many times in Murray, Utah and he is still active in the game. Probably the best pitcher in the state is Clarence Cummins.

The state of Washington is rich in horseshoe tradition and although their NHPA membership is down from previous years, they had 380 members in their state association in 1976, with half of those being NHPA members. Their NHPA membership is still in the top ten, and a few years ago, was number one nationally. The man most responsible for this was Herb Okeson, who was a recipient of the annual Stokes award and was also responsible for the NHPA Hall of Fame showcase. He resigned as Secretary-Treasurer of the state association last fall and suffered a severe heart attack shortly after but is now well on the road to recovery.

Washington boasts of three ex-Worlds Champions; John Monasmith in the men's division, Kelly O'Brien in the junior girls, and Francis "Winnie" Winetrot a two-time winner in the Intermediate division. Washington also claims the winner of the last years World Junior "B" division, Joe Bartlett. "Winnie" was "Mr. Horseshoe" in the state for many years and has been honored by having a series of tournaments named after him. Every year during the winter months, they have a series of six tournaments, held bi-weekly at Seattle, called the Winetrot Classic. After all six tournaments are held, special awards are given to the winners of the various classes. It's a fun event and a great tribute to a fine man. Monasmith was not active last year due to injuries and job commitments but we hope to see him again this year. Kelly finished third in last year's World Junior Girls' division. Also smooth-swinging Henry Knauff is a title threat in any tournament he pitches in. He is the current state champ and hopes to get to Greenville this summer. Other top pitchers are Ed Fishel, Bill Foss, Herb Criss, and Joe Krug.

Washington does a good job with inter-city and club competition. This helps keep interest at a high level and provides keen competition during the off-season months. Much of it is done on a handicap basis so all pitchers can compete equally. State President, Bill Owens, hosts much of this competition on courts on his own property at Mt. Vernon. He has four indoor courts and 18 outdoor courts. During the spring and summer months there are many fine open tournaments throughout the state. The only drawback with any of the facilities is that most of them are sand or sandy loam courts. It does keep their maintenance problem down, however.

The state of Oregon is also rich in horseshoe tradition and ranks in the top ten in NHPA membership. Under the expert guidance of President Elmer Otnes, and Vice President Bill Hulshof, a variety of activities is offered its members. From April through September, there are twenty-one tournaments with all but two NHPA sanctioned. Included in this list is a state doubles tournament where the teams are seeded by percentage, which leads to very close competition; an unsanctioned "fun day" which has competition in seniors, intermediates and mixed doubles, plus a huge potluck dinner and lots of door prizes, and a weekend where the state has three sectional tournaments. Some of the clubs are working on challenge matches on a home and home basis with neighboring clubs and this is adding to the fun.

The big names in Oregon are familiar to most horseshoe pitchers. Sarah Byers, now deceased, won the Worlds Women's title in 1950 and 1951. Bob West is a definite contender for the World Championship whenever he can attend and finished seventh last year. Vicki Chapelle Winston, although now married and living in Missouri, started her brilliant career in Oregon in the early 1950's. Her father, Cletus Chapelle, has done more for the NHPA in the Northwest for the last 25 years than any other person and served as NHPA President for a year in the 1950's. He has pitched in every Oregon State Championship Tournament since 1940. Some names that bear watching are current state champion Ridge Leggett, who averaged over 80%; Jim Burke, who pitched in Eureka in 1973 and has now recovered from a heart attack and consistent Lowell Davis. Howard Peterson, who would be a threat for the Senior's title if he could attend the World Tournament, and Sandy Bartel, a fifteen year old young lady who averaged over 60% twice last summer. Speaking of names, here's an interesting bit of trivia, Ted Allen won the Oregon State Championship in 1932.

Several items of interest have evolved over the years in the Northwest, and are worth sharing. A few years ago, the state of Washington started an award system that eliminated giving trophies in Men's Classes A and B and Women's Class A. Most of the winners in these classes already had several trophies and were looking for other kinds of awards. From this groundwork, a beautiful wooden plaque in the shape of the state was designed and is now awarded to the winners of these classes. Once a plaque is won, any future finish which merits an award is rewarded with a plate inscribed for that particular tournament to be mounted on the plaque, which will hold eighteen plates in all. The beauty of this system is that a pitcher can have his whole list of tournament achievements on just one piece of hardwood. The plaque mounts easily on a wall and is an attractive conversation piece. The state of Oregon, after studying Washington's system, has adopted a similar awards system which will be inaugurated this year. Naturally, their plaques will be shaped like the state of Oregon.

Another item worth mentioning is a team match between the top eight players of Oregon and Washington. This event has been held for the past three years with fairly good success, but is questionable this year because of sponsorship problems. We hope to continue it if we can, because it has been an enjoyable and very competitive event. It is scored on a team basis, and after every member of Oregon has played every member of Washington (eight rounds of eight games each) the wins are totaled up. The winning team splits the prize. This type of competition is ideal for neighboring states to try.

CHAPELLE REPORTS — (Continued)

Each year, the area wraps up its summer season with the annual Pacific Northwest Open, held in Yakima, Wash. This tournament was started in 1946 and has been held every year since then. Cletus Chapelle, who helped found the event, has pitched in every one of the tournaments. The tournament annually attracts over one-hundred entrants from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Canada, and occasional participants from other areas. It is a truly fine way to finish a season.

Both Oregon and Washington put out excellent newsletters to their members. Washington puts out a magazine every month and Oregon has about six a year, from March to November. Both states have also established their own Halls of Fame.

One of the few weaknesses in our region is the lack of an outstanding facility which could host a world tournament. Although nothing has appeared in the immediate future to remedy this situation, we are hopeful to someday have a world tournament in our area. Almost one of every ten NHPA members lives in the Northwest, and we would like to give them a chance to pitch in a World Tournament someday.

FRANK ALSLEBEN OF MINNESOTA MOST ARDENT HORSESHOE FAN

by Will Gullickson

Frank "Ace" Alsleben of Moorehead, Minn. is believed to be one of the most ardent horseshoe pitching fans and followers.

The art of watching others pitch and compete in leagues and tourneys was taken up by "Ace" about 30 years ago. While he watches and follows softball, baseball, bowling and other sports with interests also, horseshoe rates as his favorite. It is not unusual to see him on the sidelines watching the pitchers at the Fargo and Moorehead leagues every summer evening. Tournaments bring him out and he watches with feverish interest from the first and last pitch.

"Ace" has become a close friend of hundreds of pitchers around the nation. He is a long-time subscriber of the NHPA News Digest and other publications on the sport. He became a close friend of John Monasmith of Washington when he pitched in the 1967 World Tournament at Fargo. Frank Stinson, the late Art Engebretson and other Upper Midwest pitchers consider Alsleben a great friend and booster of the game.

A collector of sports record books, "Ace" is seldom stumped on trivia questions. He has a stock of record books on all sports. Remembering names has always been a long suit for the 57-year-old Moorehead sportsman.

Now is is waiting for the 1977 horseshoe season to roll around. He will be on the sidelines watching the quarter-turns and the three-quarter turns sail through the air at Oak Grove Park in Fargo and at the Moorehead Park Board-Legion courts.

ARNIE MOSNESS WINNER OF FIRST WESTERN MONTANA INDOOR OPEN

On the night of November 13, 1976 Western Montana held their first Indoor Open Tournament. The response was somewhat overwhelming but with the help and understanding of all hands, things went well. Forty-nine pitchers showed up and we played for nine hours on twelve temporary courts. Arnie Mossness was the winner.

The tournament was held in the Showbarn at the Bozeman, Montana Fairgrounds. This building is 200 by 60 feet clear span with a dirt floor with excellent overhead clearance. It is heated throughout, bleachers on one long side, a kitchen and heated restrooms. In short, a super place to play horseshoes in the winter.

All games were 60 shoe with a last point option. Like all states we have differing opinions on the merits of the limited shoe game versus the 50 point game but nearly all tournaments in western Montana are 60 shoe, last point option.

CLASS A — Arnie Mossness, Big Timber, 6-2-51.9; Willard Martin, Conrad, 6-2-51.2; Clayton Warner, Lewistown, 6-2-49.7; Les Reese, Great Falls, 5-3-48.1; Nat Clark, McLeod, 4-4-50.0; Irv Kershner, Bozeman, 4-4-41.0; George Larson, Augusta, 2-6-37.8; Art Hamilton, Fishtail, 2-6-34.7; Floyd Rada, Chouteau, 1-7-36.7.

CLASS B — Tim Deasy, Butte, 6-1-36.8; Ken Harmon, Bozeman, 5-2-40.7; Del Dumham, Laurel, 5-2-38.1; Bill Foss, Billings, 4-3-40.8; Lee Beihl, Buffalo, 3-4-45.2; El Watts, Bozeman, 3-4-36.1; Ken Willis, Laurel, 2-5-39.9; Steve Ketterling, Billings, 0-7-36.6.

ARNIE MOSNESS — (Continued)

CLASS C — Bud Geise, Helena, 6-1-29.8; Phil Townsend, Manhattan, 4-3-31.5; Guy Warwood, Bozeman, 4-3-31.1; Wendell Patch, Billings, 4-3-30.7; Lowell Fields, Columbus, 3-4-35.1; Harry Hefty, Bozeman, 3-4-34.5; H. VanWinkle, Bozeman, 3-4-26.6; Ivor Johnson, Billings, 1-6-28.8.

CLASS D — Rick Casad, Billings, 6-1-31.2; Sam DeBore, Bozeman, 5-2-34.1; Bill Cooper, Bozeman, 4-3-31.6; Oscar Arneson, Billings, 4-3-27.6; Tom Brownlee, McLeod, 3-4-28.7; Oscar Bridgewater, Bozeman, 3-4-25.5; Gaben Wagner, Bozeman, 2-5-21.2; George Kamps, Bozeman, 1-6-19.2.

CLASS E — Bob Lohe, Butte, 7-0-36.8; Pat Carpenter, Helena, 5-2-28.6; Bob Ferguson, Bozeman, 4-3-28.5; Ralph Domer, Helena, 4-3-26.8; E.E. Kessler, Bozeman, 3-4-16.4; Ken Mikesell, Nye, 2-5-16.5; Jim Hyde, Missoula, 2-5-15.7; Glen Cox, Manhattan, 1-6-20.2.

CLASS F — Larry Juttner, Great Falls, 7-0-16.9; Bob Lowell, Laurel, 5-2-13.0; Gary Hefty, Bozeman, 5-2-8.0; Barry Hefty, Bozeman, 4-3-9.2; Larry Hefty, Bozeman, 3-4-10.6; Kevin Creighton, Missoula, 2-5-8.6; Rick Mohana, Bozeman, 0-7-4.0.

CALIFORNIA STATE CHAMP "DEADEYE" WILLIAMS ADDS NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAMPIONSHIP

Walter Ray Williams kept his string of consecutive tournaments won intact, since joining the men's division, by adding the No. Calif. Championship to his list. The California State Champ was awesome in the clutch and amassed 384 ringers out of 460 shoes for a 83.5% average. San Jose's Don Titcomb edged Ken Fraser by percentage to place second.

Glen Casey of Turlock pulled an upset in the Consolation group by getting past Millard Miller to capture the consolation title. The tournament was sponsored by the Seaside Club and was held on the centrally located San Jose Ryland Park courts.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Walter Ray Williams, Auburn, 7-0-83.5; Don Titcomb, San Jose, 5-2-72.6; Ken Fraser, Golden Gate, 5-2-72.0; Bill Weathers, Turlock, 4-3-68.7; Monte Latino, Sacramento, 3-4-67.8; Fred Lavett, Seaside, 2-5-58.0; Jack Seymour, Golden Gate, 1-6-59.9; Rueben Lee, San Lorenzo, 1-6-57.5.

CONSOLATION — Glenn Casey, Turlock, 6-1-58.6; Millard Miller, Turlock, 5-2-61.9; Lou Fontaine, San Jose, 4-3-54.2; Bill Vines, Turlock, 4-3-54.0; Ernie Hall, Colusa, 4-3-53.3; Tom Webb, Rio Del-Scotia, 3-4-57.4; Ron Sanders, Seaside, 3-4-54.6; Jim Adams, Turlock, 0-7-35.8.

LOU FONTAINE WINS NO. CALIF. CLASS A CHAMPIONSHIP

San Jose's Lou Fontaine pitched superbly on the San Lorenzo courts to edge out Millard Miller of Turlock to capture the No. Calif. Class A Championship. Lou averaged 59.8% over the 7 games with only 1 effort on the minus side. Miller pitched the high game of 71.4%. Bob Mauzey of Santa Rosa was tops in the Consolation group with Frank Butcher salvaging the high game of 71.4% and the second place trophy.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Lou Fontaine, San Jose, 6-1-59.8; Millard Miller, Turlock, 5-2-59.8; Lloyd Potter, San Jose, 4-3-59.4; Tom Webb, Rio Del-Scotia, 4-3-58.8; Mate McBride, Sacramento, 4-3-55.2; Fred Cates, Colusa, 3-4-53.3; Pete Manitone, Sacramento, 2-5-55.8; Bob Hanlon, Sonoma Co., 0-7-46.2.

CONSOLATION — Bob Mauzey, Sonoma Co., 6-1-56.4; Frank Butcher, Stockton, 5-2-58.4; Ernie Hall, Colusa, 5-2-57.3; Ron Sanders, Seaside, 4-3-50.0; Earl Blanton, Mosswood, 4-3-45.5; Joe Sandowski, San Jose, 2-5-50.2; Luke Braun, Mosswood, 2-5-43.0; Jack Parnell, Colusa, 0-7-42.6.

COLEMAN OUTSTANDING IN NO. CALIF. CLASS C CHAMPIONSHIP

Stockton's Arnie Coleman completely outclassed all entrants to run away with the No. Calif. Class C championship by averaging 57.1%. Wayne Chambers of the Golden Gate Club placed second, averaging 42.6%, losing one game, that to Champ Arnie. Jim Adams and Ray Sandoval, two top Turlock tossers, battled for the Consolation title with Jim winning a close playoff game 50-45.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Arnie Coleman, Stockton, 7-0-57.1; Wayne Chambers, Golden Gate, 6-1-42.6; Jim Long, Sacramento, 5-2-39.8; Glenn Kelly, Sacramento, 3-4-36.1; Bud Lathe, Sacramento, 2-5-38.8; Don Muenchow, Mosswood, 2-5-32.8; Page Kesler, Sonoma Co., 2-5-32.2; Jim Cooper, Stockton, 1-6-32.1.

CONSOLATION — Jim Adams, Turlock, 6-2-39.4; Ray Sandoval, Turlock, 5-3-39.4; Arnold Davis, Shasta, 4-3-37.9; Frank Cravalho, Golden Gate, 4-3-35.4; Ben Yost, Vallejo, 3-4-37.6; Clyde Lamb, Livermore, 3-4-37.1; Larry Butterfield, Livermore, 3-4-32.7; Ernie Kim, Mosswood, 1-6-35.1.

ED DOMEY 3-TIME WINNER OF FRANKLIN COUNTY FAIR TOURNEY (MASS.)

The 5th Annual Franklin County Fair tournament held in Greenfield, Mass. was won by Ed Domey of Sutton, Mass. after a playoff match with Paul Cormier. Charles Richardson, a former champion, ran third.

CLASS A — Ed Domey, 4-2-66.7; Paul Cormier, 3-3-66.4; C. Richardson, 2-3-60.5; Joe Merritt, 4-1-65.1; Paul Domey, 3-2-66.9; M. Merritt, 0-5-56.5.

CLASS B — Rick Howe, 6-0-60.9; L. Barnes, 4-2-53.3; Ed Roussel, 3-3-51.0; R. Hastings, 3-3-48.1; G. Alden, 3-3-41.9; G. Richardson, 1-5-43.0; A. Whitaker, 1-5-41.8.

CLASS C — W. Baker, 6-1-36.6; R. Copley, 5-2-42.8; A. Blaser, 5-2-39.5; R. Roussel, 3-4-36.9; R. Howe, 3-4-33.5; R. Barnes, 3-4-33.2; Al Hamel, 2-5-34.6; R. Shepard, 1-6-19.0.

CLASS D — Joe Guy, 6-1-34.5; T. Nacewicz, 5-2-29.1; C. Kuklewicz, 4-3-28.0; M. Hartwell, 3-4-31.2; S. Wickline, 3-4-24.5; Al Mundell, 3-4-22.3; H. Sasse, 2-5-27.8; T. Daliberte, 2-5-26.9.

CLASS E — D. Land, 6-1-25.6; M. Farmer, 6-1-24.5; Ron Barnes, 5-2-27.8; C. Armitage, 5-2-23.2; El Barton, 2-5-25.1; J. Osgood, 2-5-16.3; R. Holden, 2-5-15.8; R. O'Brien, 0-7-17.3.

RUEBEN LEE REAPS SENIOR'S CHAMPIONSHIP (NO. CALIF.)

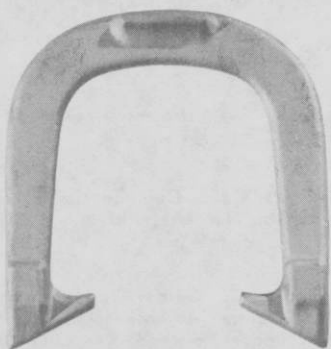
Veteran Rueben Lee ran roughshod over a contingent of Seniors to post his best effort of the season; a sizzling 67.3 percent for the tournament. Bill Weathers placed second hitting a 65.0 percent average.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Rueben Lee, San Lorenzo, 5-0-67.3; Bill Weathers, Turlock, 4-1-65.0; Earl Blanton, Mosswood, 3-2-53.5; Ernie Hall, Colusa, 1-4-45.5; Bruce McVicar, Mosswood, 1-4-45.3; Marshall Jones, San Jose, 1-4-35.1.

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SONNY BLACKWELL REPEATS AS GEORGIA STATE CHAMPION

Sonny Blackwell made a clean sweep of Class A to win the annual Georgia state championship for the second year in a row. L.H. Anthony topped Class B as did R. J. Holden in Class C. Mae Brooks was the winner in the Ladies division while Mickey Thomas had clear sailing to win the Junior title.

CLASS A — Sonny Blackwell, 8-0-62.4; Glen Portt, 7-1-64.5; Grady Brwoner, 5-3-52.1; E.A. Bannister, 5-3-52.7; Jim Haley, 4-4-49.5; J.E. Brooks, 4-4-50.9; Joe Kelly, 2-6-40.1; Ira Walters, 1-7-45.9; Donald Jones, 1-7-48.6.

CLASS B — L.H. Anthony, 5-0; Morris Oliver, 4-1; Alvin Kesler, 3-2; Lee Blankenship, 2-3; Marshall Brooks, 1-4; Danny Martin, 0-5.

CLASS C — R.J. Holden, 7-0; Donnie White, 6-1; Bill Collier, 5-2; Charles Thomas, 4-3; Leo Harper, 4-3; Hugh Mullinax, 2-5; Carroll Kesler, 1-6.

WOMEN'S CLASS — Mae Brooks, 2-0; Ruby Brooks, 1-1; Martha Martin, 0-2.

JUNIORS — Micky Thomas, 3-0; Wayne Brooks, 2-1; Kenneth Brooks, 1-2; Edwin Brooks, 0-3.

POWERS WINNER OVER CARSON FOR YEAR-ENDER OPEN TITLE IN MARYLAND

Grant Powers was the victor over Dale Carson in a playoff for the title in the Year-End Open tournament held at the Picnic Island courts in Salisbury, Maryland. The combo of Willard Sammons and Louis Smith copped top honors in the doubles competition. Eugene Corregan topped the Junior division.

CLASS A — Grant Powers, Md., 7-1-58.0; Dale Carson, Md., 6-2-66.9; Ted Lewis, N.J., 6-1-53.7; Delbert Fithian, N.J., 4-3-47.2; Wayne Willy, Md., 3-4-50.8; Ernest O'Neal, Md., 2-5-54.8; Richard Bevan, Md., 1-6-40.2; Willard Sammons, Del., 0-7-39.0.

CLASS B — Parker Sturgis, Md., 8-1-36.4; Owen McAteer, Md., 7-2-40.7; Glenn Epiley, Pa., 7-2-38.3; Alton Adkins, Md., 6-3-38.1; Jack Blades, Md., 5-4-29.8; Albert Beebe, N.J., 4-5-30.4; Ray Greenlaw, Pa., 4-5-26.8; Johnny Southland, Md., 2-7-25.5.

CLASS C — Frank Vranish, Md., 6-3-33.3; Stan Abell, Md., 6-1-32.7; Harold Klein, Md., 6-1-33.6; Ken Holden, Md., 4-3-26.7; Lewis Walls, Md., 3-4-27.2; George McCabe, Del., 2-5-29.4; Pete Fleming, Md., 1-6-24.5; Chas. Cherrix, Md., 0-7-12.4.

CLASS D — Bob Park, Md., 8-1-24.8; Ray Huffman, Md., 7-2-20.1; George Layton, Md., 6-3-24.8; Ed Rodgers, Md., 6-3-21.2; Earl Baker, Md., 5-4-19.0; Elwood Wheatley, Md., 5-4-18.7; Fred Beeman, Md., 4-5-17.1; Newton Hayden, Md., 3-6-12.6; Mel Jackson, Md., 2-1-17.9; Allen Layton, Md., 0-9-17.9.

CLASS E — Ray Matlock, Md., 7-0-29.7; Tony Peck, Md., 5-2-21.8; Bobby Davis, Md., 5-2-17.0; Billy Louthan, Md., 4-3-15.3; Paul Baker, 3-4-13.8; Louis Smith, Md., 2-5-7.0; Robert Davis, Md., Forfeit.

JUNIORS — Eugene Corregan, Md., 7-0-28.7; Donald Webb, Md., 5-2-27.0; Jeff Layton, Md., 5-2-24.5; Chas. Cherrix, Jr., Md., 4-3-30.1; Jerry Webb, Md., 3-4-14.3; Lance Wheatley, Md., 2-6-8.2; Connie Brunn, Md., 1-2-2.4; Alan Abell, Md., 1-2-14.3; Dana Wheatley, Md., 1-2-8.0; Billy Harris, Md., 0-2-5.2; Peggy O'Neal, Md., 0-2-2.0.

LATE FALL ACTIVITIES OF SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION SIMPSONVILLE, S.C. FALL OPEN TOURNAMENT

CLASS A — C. Brown, Tenn., 5-1-66.2; W.E. Stephens, S.C., 5-1-62.7; A.J. Nave, S.C., 5-1-60.0; E.A. Bannister, Ga., 3-3-53.5; Ron Miller, S.C., 2-4-49.2; J.E. Brooks, Ga., 1-5-48.8; James Brooks, Ga., 0-6-42.1.

CLASS B — Rocky Stephens, S.C., 5-0-41.9; Keith Garrett, S.C., 3-2-39.4; Wayne Brooks, Ga., 3-2-26.1; Sandy Stephens, S.C., 2-2-31.1; James Collins, S.C., 2-3-37.3; Johnny Tollison, S.C., 0-5-21.1.

CLASS C — Leo Harper, Ga., 3-1-21.0; Edwin Brooks, Ga., 2-2-9.1; Will Carpenter, Ga., 1-3-11.8.

ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA OPEN TOURNAMENT

CLASS A — A.J. Nave, 4-2; J.P. Reeves, 4-2; W.E. Stephens, 3-3; Ron Miller, 1-5.

CLASS B — James Collins, 6-0; Keith Garrett, 3-3; Johnny Tollison, 2-4; Randy Ferrall, 2-4.

JUNIORS — John Tollison, Larry Miller, Derrick Miller.

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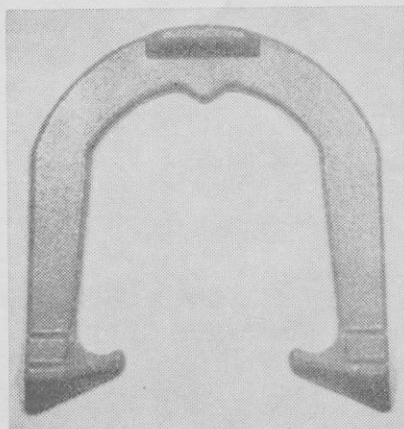
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POTTS REGAIN KANSAS STATE TITLE FOR TWELFTH TIME

Merlin Potts of Leonardville, Kansas regained the Kansas state championship to make it 12 times in the last 14 years. John Smith dropped two to gain the runnerup spot. Jeff Amthor had an 8-1 record to win the Junior championship. Emaline Pearce's 3 straight wins wrapped up the Ladies title. This was her second straight title. Orchids to Bob Booe and Herb Flickenger for a job well done.

In the annual meeting Sam Adams was elected President; Bob Shaw, Vice-Pres. and Bill Chester, Sec.-Treas. The 1977 State tournament will be held on the Gage park courts in Topeka, Kansas on the Labor Day weekend. The 1976 meet was held at Leavenworth.

CLASS A — Merling Potts, Leonardville, 11-0-72.5; John V. Smith, Atchison, 9-2-61.05; Larry Morton, Topeka, 8-3-57.8; Gene Fleek, Leavenworth, 8-3-56.0; Dean Prichard, Junction City, 7-4-60.3; Wesley Schendel, Eurdora, 6-5-53.0; Alden Allbaugh, Newton, 6-5-52.5; Al Hultz, Kansas City, 3-8-47.7; Marines Tamboer, Wichita, 3-8-45.7; Joe Krehbiel, Galva, 2-9-44.6; Bob Booe, Atchison, 2-9-37.3; W. W. Webb, Russell, 1-10-31.8.

CLASS B — Roger Potts, Leonardville, 10-1-51.5; Guy Tinder, Leavenworth, 9-2-55.3; Earl Pearce, Garden City, 8-3-51.4; Frank Knouft, Topeka, 8-3-51.5; Art Krehbiel, McPherson, 8-3-46.9; David Kincaid, Kansas City, 6-5-41.8; Buzz Dickson, Leavenworth, 5-6-41.5; Jim Krehbiel, Galva, 4-7-40.2; Bill Chester, Leavenworth, 3-8-42.6; Sam Adame, Lawrence, 3-8-38.3; Paul Voelker, Atchison, 1-10-39.6; Bill Perich, Atchison, 0-11-27.5.

CLASS C — David Murphy, Manhattan, 10-1-42.5; Clif McFadden, Marion, 9-2-41.7; Ken Talkington, Americus, 8-3-41.2; Herb Flickenger, McPherson, 6-5-35.8; Tuffy Graham, Topeka, 5-6-39.9; Rex Seibel, Marion, 5-6-36.5; Al Holding, Walnut, 5-6-33.3; Wayne Shelinbarger, Topeka, 4-7-39.3; Marvin Zenger, Moundridge, 4-7-37.8; George Brady, Atchison, 4-7-33.0; Walter Crook, Topeka, 3-8-34.3; Jesse Hobbs, Horton, 3-8-34.1.

CLASS D — Ed Clark, Garden City, 9-2-36.5; Ed Stennle, Hillsboro, 8-2-37.3; Marvin Reheis, Wichita, 8-3-34.8; Russell Lucas, Mapleton, 7-4-41.4; Joe Amthor, Atchison, 6-5-35.1; La Vern Sperline, Morrell, 6-5-35.6; Charles Kaniper, Ottawa, 6-5-33.4; Lou Hammer, Lawrence, 4-7-33.9; Albert Ewy, Moundridge, 4-7-33.6; Fred English, Topeka, 3-8-31.1; Gene McCart, Topeka, 3-8-29.6; Blondie Rettele, Lansing, 2-9-31.9.

Kansas State — (Continued)

CLASS E — Lloyd Cattrell, Holton, 9-1-34.4; Red Whittington, Reading, 7-3-33.9; Jim Haller, Sr., Lawrence, 7-3-31.0; Warren Link, Wichita, 6-4-33.6; Delbert Peters, North Newton, 6-4-32.8; Harvey Lister, Topeka, 5-5-33.7; Walter Harrison, Topeka, 5-5-31.2; John Adame, Topeka, 4-6-31.0; H. R. Hutchison, Topeka, 3-7-31.2; Bob Shaw, Emporia, 2-8-29.2; Herb Schroder, Gossell, 1-9-24.8; Leroy Lertz, Forfeit.

CLASS F — Al Ard, Leavenworth, 9-0-34.4; Mark Holding, Walnut, 7-2-27.4; Waldo Ewy, Moundridge, 6-3-26.4; Ken Smith, Holton, 6-3-25; Ernest Dilley, Emporia, 5-4-21.8; Maurice Trower, Topeka, 5-4-18.2; Ken Brown, Everest, 4-5-15.4; Terry Goodwin, Leavenworth, 2-7-10.5; Roy Kreutzer, Forfeit; Doyle Talkington, Forfeit.

LADIES — Emaline Pearce, Garden City, 3-0-40.5; Mary Clark, Garden City, 2-1-40.1; Waldean Haller, Lawrence, 1-2-10.4; Pauline Zvolanek, Solomon, 0-3-23.5.

JUNIORS — Jeff Amthor, Atchison, 8-1-47.4; Jim Haller, Lawrence, 7-2-45.2; Don Holding, Walnut, 7-2-42.9; Jerry Amthor, Atchison, 7-2-41.2; Jim Booe, Atchison, 5-4-37.4; Dale Shelinbarger, Topeka, 5-4-25.5; Jim Zvolanek, Solomon, 3-6-13; John Chester, Leavenworth, 2-7-15; Tracy Sperline, Morrell, Forfeit.

LEVI MILLER WINS SARASOTA, FLORIDA OPEN

In spite of the cold weather a fine crowd was on hand for the annual Sarasota, Florida Open. Levi Miller finally took the top honors of the day after besting Floyd Bartley, Marv Richmond and Duaine Whitmer in the play-offs. Other winners were Mickey Broughton in Class B winning over Fitzpatrick in the play-off, Charles Howery Class C, Gene Myers Class D, Chris Miller Class E, Hap Harrison Class F, Paul Barrette Class G, and Ralph Rollins in Class H.

CLASS A-1 — Duaine Whitmer, Winter Haven, 4-1-51.5; Jack Fahey, Bradenton, 3-2-62.5; Ken Drury, Canada, 3-2-62.0; Paul Scheub, Sarasota, 3-2-56.0; Dick Ferguson, Sarasota, 2-3-53.6; Byron Hafner, Iowa, 0-5-48.4.

CLASS A-2 — Levi Miller, Sarasota, 4-1-63.0; Floyd Bartley, Orlando, 4-1-60.0; Marv Richmond, Minnesota, 4-1-57.0; Charlie Fix, Okeechobee, 2-3-48.5; Henry Franke, Centralia, Ill., 1-4-27.5; Norwood Ramey, Ohio, Forfeit.

CLASS B-1 — Mickey Broughton, Tampa, 5-0-57.2; Joe Steimer, Winter Haven, 4-1-57.6; Harold Cheffer, Naples, 3-2-50.4; Les Long, Ill., 2-3-48.8; Henry Mullet, Sarasota, 1-4-42.0; Art Schroeder, 0-5-35.6.

CLASS B#2 — L. Fitzpatrick, Florida, 4-1-54.8; Joe Holland, Michigan, 4-1-47.6; Jim Peterson, Orlando, 3-2-44.4; Bob Widdersheim, Clearwater, 2-3-41.2; Dwight Thatcher, Brooksville, 2-3-40.8; Pete Luster, 0-5-36.8.

CLASS C-1 — Charles Howery, Clearwater, 5-0-38.4; Cliff Swank, 4-1-36.4; Cliff Madren, Orlando, 2-3-40.4; Vern Wagner, 2-3-38.0; Marion Collins, Dunedin, 2-3-34.0; Floyd Hammit, Illinois, 0-5-19.5.

CLASS C-2 — Joe Morgan, Indiana, 4-1-44.4; Ken Reeb, Winter Haven, 3-2-42.0; Al Baldwin, Indiana, 3-2-37.6; Frank Stites, Bradenton, 2-3-41.6; Herb Hitchcock, Orlando, 2-3-34.4; Charlie Pitton, Clearwater, 1-4-37.6.

CLASS D-1 — Gene Myers, Clearwater, 4-1-38.6; Clyde Hewitt, Maine, 3-2-42.8; M. Rodocker, Ohio, 3-2-35.6; Pat O'Toole, Canada, 2-3-36.4; Swen Bowman, Wisconsin, 2-3-28.4; Roy Gravnik, Bradenton, 1-4-32.3.

CLASS D-2 — Morris Gillespie, Sarasota, 5-0-39.5; George Buskey, Clearwater, 4-1-37.0; Art Mathews, Okeechobee, 2-3-38.5; Ivan Gilman, Milwaukee, 2-3-26.5; Ray Miller, Sarasota, 1-4-25.5; Pat Gallant, Forfeit.

CLASSE — Chris Miller, Sarasota, 5-0-40.0; Earle Johnson, Bradenton, 4-1-25.6; Walter House, Sarasota, 3-2-30.0; Les Peary, Bradenton, 2-3-34.4; Jim Fourman, Ohio, 1-4-30.0; Earl Colgan, Illinois, 0-5-18.4.

CLASS F — Hap Harrison, Clearwater, 5-0-32.8; Rex Swinson, Sarasota, 4-1-42.8; W. Haley, 3-2-41.6; W. Rouse, 2-3-26.4; Tom Keltner, Clearwater, 1-4-17.6; Jonas Taylor, Sarasota, 0-5-14.4.

CLASS G — Paul Barrette, Canada, 5-0-26.5; Russ Adcock, Bradenton, 4-1-15.5; Lee Davis, Seminole, 3-2-22.5; H. Anderson, 2-3-20.5; H. Halstead, 1-4-10.0.

CLASS H — Ralph Rollins, Maine, 5-0-24.5; Larry Judd, Sarasota, 4-1-20.0; Ed Harrington, 3-2-15.0; Archie Carter, 2-3-7.5; H. Bagnall, 1-4-13.0.

RICHMOND EDGES RADEMACHER IN PLAYOFF IN MANATEE COUNTY FLA. OPEN

Marv Richmond emerged victor over John Rademacher to lay claim to the annual Manatee County Open championship played on the Kiwanis Trailer park courts and conducted by the Bradenton Club. 73 players converged on the courts to take part in two beautiful days of horseshoe competition. First place trophies were donated by the Shanon Funeral Home.

CLASS A-1 — Marv Richmond, 5-1-58.4; John Rademacher, 5-1-60.7; Jack Fahey, 4-2-61.9; Mark Freeman, 3-3-60.8; Levi Miller, 2-4-60.3; Ken Drury, 1-5-52.3; William Riley, 1-5-50.6.

CLASS A-2 — Duane Whitmore, 4-1-60.9; Paul Scheub, 3-2-57.8; Floyd Bartley, 3-2-56.7; Charles Fix, 2-3-51.3; Joe Steiner, 2-3-51.3; Dick Ferguson, 1-4-52.0.

CLASS B-1 — Mickey Broughton, 5-1-54.4; Leo Fitzpatrick, 5-1-58.3; Joe Holland, 3-3-51.9; H. Cheffer, 3-3-48.7; Byron Haffner, 3-3-47.8; Les Long, 1-6-45.1.

CLASS B-2 — Dyke Thatcher, 3-2-50.0; Howard Lea, 3-2-45.3; Joe Morgan, 3-2-37.2; Bob Widdersheim, 3-2-40.2; Henry Mullet, 2-3-38.2; Dick Weigel, 1-4-40.0.

CLASS C-1 — Verg Wagner, 6-0-45.4; Marion Collins, 4-2-42.1; Charles Gline, 3-3-41.7; Charles Howrey, 3-3-39.8; M. Bradley, 3-3-37.5; R. Swenson, 1-5-24.6.

CLASS C-2 — Charles Pitton, 5-1-44.9; Clyde Hewitt, 5-1-39.6; George Buskey, 3-3-40.3; Jene Meyers, 3-3-38.8; Speed Gillespie, 2-4-37.7; Art Matthews, 2-4-36.5; Al Baldwin, 1-5-33.0.

CLASS D-1 — Cliff Swank, 4-1-37.1; Harold Shaw, 4-1-39.7; Delmar Hallock, 3-2-38.1; Pete Luster, 2-3-36.5; Swen Bowman, 2-3-36.0; Milton Myhre, 0-5-23.8.

CLASS D-2 — Maurice Rodocher, 5-1-38.0; Frank Stites, 4-2-46.5; Henry Franke, 4-2-39.7; Lester Peary, 3-3-34.1; Royce Wrucke, 3-3-30.6; Louis Haley, 2-4-37.3; Chris Miller, 0-6-30.7.

CLASS E-1 — Pat O'Toole, 4-1-38.2; Walter House, 4-1-38.3; Roy Gravink, 3-2-31.6; E. Ronemous, 2-3-38.0; Ivan Gilman, 2-3-31.3; Ed Scheutz, 0-5-28.5.

CLASS E-2 — Jim Fourman, 5-1-28.2; John Wortel, 5-1-27.6; Earl Colgan, 3-3-24.3; Russ Adcock, 3-3-23.7; William Wallschlager, 3-3-20.2; Lee Davis, 1-5-22.9; Tom Keltner, 1-5-12.3.

CLASS F-1 — Paul Barrette, 5-0-18.0; Ralf Rollins, 4-1-13.4; H. Oldenburg, 3-2-6.8; Archie Carter, 2-3-9.3; Lorene Bagnel, 1-4-11.3; Harold Holstead, 0-5-4.2.

CECIL MONDAY TOP MAN IN 1976 VIRGINIA STATE TITLE CHASE

Cecil Monday had a perfect record of 11 straight wins to take the 1976 Virginia state title. In the Ladies' division it was J. Phelps with 7 in a row to win that title. F. Cooper Jr. racked up 7 straight victories to win the coveted Boys' title. A Monday was an easy winner in the Girls' class with 2 straight wins.

CLASS A — Cecil Monday, 7-0-74.7; Doc Good, 5-2-62.9; Charles Price, 4-3-72.9; Frank Monday, 4-3-67.7; Boo Henson, 3-4-62.6; Jas Bullion, 3-4-62.0; Clyde Martin, 2-5-57.6; O'Hara Barnette, 0-7-57.1.

CLASS B — C.P. Monday, 6-1-60.0; Earl McDaniel, 5-2-53.0; Paul Miller, 4-3-48.6; Gene Phelps, 4-3-45.7; Frank Cooper, 3-4-50.4; Guy Buchanan, 3-4-43.8; Cecil Phelps, 2-5-38.6; Ronnie Smith, 1-6-36.6.

CLASS C — Claude Painter, 5-2-46.7; Dean Routon, 5-2-44.2; Monte Wiles, 5-2-43.4; Kenny Henson, 4-3-44.4; Eddie Orndorff, 4-3-41.5; B. Hill, 4-3-41.5; Clyde Whiteside, 1-6-26.4; Millard Young, 0-7-23.4.

CLASS D — Glenn Harris, 4-1-42.0; Butch Martin, 4-1-34.3; Jesse Grim, 3-2-40.5; Red Britton, 3-2-32.2; Tommie Inge, 1-4-27.4; W. Fitzgerald, 0-5-24.8.

CLASS E — Lee Wiley, 2-1-27.1; Larry Haines, 2-1-25.0; James Fitzgerald, 1-2-22.0; C. Martin, Jr., 1-2-17.6.

CLASS A — J. Phelps, 2-1-45.8; N. Hottinger, 2-1-33.1; Betty Inge, 2-1-30.5; Connie Monday, 0-3-18.3.

JUNIOR BOYS — Frank Cooper Jr., 3-2-39.8; Tim Price, 2-3-35.6.

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Al Zadroga of Pennsylvania posted his 5th win of the annual Raymond L. Frye Memorial Open tournament held in Winchester, Virginia last season. Meet was sponsored by the Winchester Parks and Recreation Department.

Class E was a wild finish. Five out of the six men class ended in a tie for first place. Ken Stormer emerged the winner in the playoff.

CLASS A — A. Zadroga, Pennsylvania, 15-0-81.4; J. Solomon, Pennsylvania, 13-2-76.3; O. Engle, Pennsylvania, 11-4-78.6; A. Perry, Virginia, 11-4-71.7; D. Carson, Maryland, 10-5-64.4; S. Manker, Ohio, 9-6-67.5; C. Over, Pennsylvania, 9-6-65.7; C. Martz, Pennsylvania, 8-7-70.7; C. Price, Virginia, 7-8-66.9; R. Bechtel, Pennsylvania, 7-8-61.6; C. Eyler, Pennsylvania, 7-8-60.2; C. Martin, Virginia, 6-9-63.8; G. Sales, Indiana, 4-11-53.6; F. Williams, Pennsylvania, 3-12-55.7; J. Clippenger, Pennsylvania, 1-14-51.5; B. Dean, Virginia, (W.D. Injury).

CLASS B — F. Lutter, Pennsylvania, 6-1-55.9; D. Butts, Virginia, 5-2-55.9; F. Hix, Jr., Virginia, 4-3-51.6; F. Bechtel, Pennsylvania, 4-3-50.0; S. Davis, West Virginia, 3-4-51.4; S. Lutter, Pennsylvania, 3-4-47; G. Buchanan, Virginia, 3-4-46.1; D. Good, Virginia, (W.D. Injury) 0-7-57.4.

CLASS C — W. Wade, West Virginia, 7-1-53.4; B. Stillwell, West Virginia, 7-2-48.9; C. Painter, Virginia, 6-2-49.1; G. Sebring, Pennsylvania, 4-3-48.2; J. Baugher, Pennsylvania, 3-4-42.6; R. Dean, Virginia, 2-5-43.0; J. Fulton, Pennsylvania, 1-6-49.0; R. Thielke, Maryland, 1-6-34.9.

CLASS D — R. Wiseman, West Virginia, 6-2-47.9; R. Sites, Maryland, 6-3-43.9; P. Miller, Virginia, 5-3-46.4; R. Reynolds, Pennsylvania, 4-3-46.9; R. Huff, Pennsylvania, 3-4-42.3; D. Swaim, West Virginia, 3-4-41.4; P. Rose, West Virginia, 2-5-37.2; R. Vogel, New Jersey, 1-6-40.5.

CLASS E — K. Stormer, Maryland, 5-2-54.2; C. Phelps, Virginia, 4-3-42.9; W. Sammons, Delaware, 4-3-45.1; D. Baker, Pennsylvania, 3-3-45.3; W. Burge, West Virginia, 3-3-42.5; R. Wade, West Virginia, 1-4-42.3.

CLASS F — E. O'Neal, Maryland, 5-0-50.5; H. Wolfe, Ohio, 4-1-33.6; D. Leonard, West Virginia, 3-2-39.0; W. Gaither, West Virginia, 2-3-38.5; B. Hill, Virginia, 1-4-35.8; J. Van Metre, 1-4-34.9.

CLASS G — R. Shifflett, Virginia, 5-1-44.8; C. Clites, Pennsylvania, 5-2-41.3; E. Orndorff, Virginia, 4-2-38.6; R. Britten, Virginia, 2-3-38.9; H. Gray, West Virginia, 1-4-36.5; E. Rossen, West Virginia, 0-5-31.8.

CLASS H — G. Eppley, Pennsylvania, 5-0-45.4; C. Comer, West Virginia, 3-2-35.9; L. Baker, West Virginia, 3-2-32.3; H. Torrence, Virginia, 3-2-31.0; T. Fadorsen, Virginia, 1-4-20.7; L. Willey, Virginia, 0-5-26.0.

CLASS I — J. Leonard, West Virginia, 5-0-35.5; E. Clobus, Virginia, 3-2-33.2; R. Decker, West Virginia, 3-2-32.6; D. Cross, West Virginia, 3-2-29.8; C. Reynolds, Pennsylvania, 1-4-21.3; L. Haines, Virginia, 0-5-18.1.

CLASS J — B. Jankowski, Virginia, 6-1-27.0; G. Layton, Maryland, 4-2-28.5; R. Morgan, West Virginia, 2-3-22.7; J. Young, West Virginia, 2-3-22.4; L. Walls, Maryland, 2-3-21.8; T. Whetzel, Virginia, 1-4-18.9.

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JUNIOR BOYS — P. Parsell, Virginia, 7-0-73.7; R. Perry, Virginia, 6-1-60.2; S. Buchanan, 5-2-58.1; L. Hottinger, Virginia, 4-3-42.5; J. Price, Virginia, 3-4-39.5; D. Burge, West Virginia, 2-5-31.4; J. Layton, Maryland, 1-6-29.8; F. Haines, Virginia, 0-7-25.4.

LADIES — J. Phelps, Virginia, 6-0-62.7; C. Dean, Virginia, 5-1-50.0; F. Sager, Virginia, 3-3-45.5; N. Hottinger, Virginia, 3-3-36.4; C. Lowe, Virginia, 3-3-33.9; M. Haines, Virginia, 1-5-30.8; K. Hott, Virginia, 0-6-25.0.

GIRLS — L. Hottinger, Virginia, 2-0-40.9; F. Hottinger, Virginia, 0-2-27.3.

RUSS DeHART VICTOR IN ANNUAL PLANT CITY, FLORIDA OPEN

A record number of pitchers participated in the first tournament of the new year at the Plant City fairgrounds on January 8 in Plant City, Florida.

Russ DeHart of Indiana emerged as the champion. In Class B it was Bill Keegan, Fla. over Les Long of Ill. in a playoff match. Earle Morris of Florida prevailed over Henry Mullet, of Montana in the Class C division. Rene Rodrigue of Connecticut topped all comers in Class D. In the Class E bracket it was Lester Hite of Ohio over Swen Bowman of Wisconsin. Pat O'Toole of Canada took the measure of Harvey Hockstetler in a playoff for Class F honors. Art Graves of Illinois topped Don Clover of Michigan in a playoff in Class G. Chris Miller of Florida swept thru Class H while William Rouse of Florida was the winner in a tough Class I.

The tournament was saddened by the sudden death of Casey Bettisworth of Galesburg, Illinois. He was midway through pitching in Class A when his heart gave out. Efforts were made to revive him but were futile on his arrival at the hospital only a few blocks away.

Casey was a veteran in the realm of horseshoe pitching and was spending the winter with his wife Shirley at Ft. Myers, Florida. He had travelled some distance to play in most of the Florida tournaments. He was a fine gentleman and a great horseshoe pitcher, and all those who knew him will miss his friendly smile and warm handshake in his association with those on the courts.

CLASS A — R. DeHart, Ind., 6-1-62.3; J. Rademacher, Fla., 5-2-65.2; P. Scheub, Fla., 5-2-59.5; L. Miller, Fla., 4-3-57.6; Ken Drury, Canada, 3-4-54.9; Wm. Riley, Fla., 3-4-54.9; Chas. Fix, Ind., 2-5-53.4; C. Bettisworth, Ill.

CLASS B-1 — Wm. Keegan, Fla., 5-0-60.6; D. Whitmer, Fla., 4-1-52.7; R. Ferguson, Fla., 3-2-57.6; M. Broughton, Fla., 2-3-48.2; Don Knotts, Ohio, 1-4-43.4; D. Thatcher, Fla., 0-5-42.9.

CLASS B-2 — Les Long, Ill., 5-0-51.9; B. Hafner, Iowa, 4-1-52.7; F. Bartley, Mich., 3-2-54.2; R. Widdersheim, Fla., 2-3-40.4; L. Fitzpatrick, Ind., 1-4-40.7; Ken Reeb, Fla., 0-5-41.7.

CLASS C-2 — Earle Morris, Fla., 4-1-42.2; J. Steiner, Pa., 3-2-50.7; H. Cheffer, Fla., 3-2-44.1; J. Morgan, Ind., 3-2-42.9; H. Ellenberger, 2-3-40.2; C. Pitton, Fla., 1-4-37.9.

CLASS D — R. Rodrigue, Fla., 4-1-43.3; C. Madren, Fla., 3-2-42.9; H. Hitchcock, Fla., 3-2-41.4; C. Buskey, Fla., 3-2-35.1; H. Schappie, Fla., 2-3-40.1; H. O'Donnel, Mo., Forfeit.

CLASSE — Lester Hite, Ohio, 4-1-45.2; S. Bowman, Wis., 4-1-48.5; F. Stites, Fla., 3-2-43.6; M. Rodocker, Ohio, 3-2-43.1; M. Gillespie, Fla., 1-4-39.5; R. O'Conner, 0-5-36.0.

CLASS F — P. O'Toole, Canada, 4-1-43.4; H. Hochstetler, Fla., 4-1-50.0; O. Gaudette, Fla., 3-2-44.7; P. Gallant, 3-2-36.9; A. Matthews, Ind., 1-4-28.6; E. Schuetz, Wis., Forfeit.

CLASS G — Art Graves, Ill., 4-1-40.2; D. Clover, Mich., 4-1-24.6; A. Boshma, Fla., 3-2-30.8; L. Hoyt, Fla., 3-2-27.4; W. Wallschlagel, Ill., 1-4-24.0; H. Cook, Fla., 0-5-17.7.

CLASS H — C. Miller, Fla., 5-0-36.0; E. Johnson, Fla., 4-1-25.6; J. Fourman, Ohio, 3-2-25.9; T. Keltner, Fla., 2-3-25.8; E. Harrington, Mass., 1-4-14.8; H. Hallstead, NY, 0-5-9.1.

CLASS I — Wm. Rowse, Fla., 5-1-28.1; Lee Davis, Fla., 4-2-28.4; N. Gaseau, Fla., 3-3-24.5; H. Anderson, 3-3-21.9; P. Barrette, Canada, 3-3-18.5; Art Carter, 1-5-18.9; R.W. Rollins, Maine, 1-5-17.7.

BIG YEAR END BASH FOR NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

By Sandra Sparkman

The Annual Year End Meeting and Party was held at the American Legion Hall in Campbell, Calif. on Nov. 6, 1976. Routine business such as financial reports, constitution changes, forthcoming schedule, "arguments or discussions", elections of new officers who are Pres. Lloyd Potter, 1st V.P. C.R. (Lefty) Williamson, 2nd V.P. Bob Kays, 3rd V.P. Lucie Hanlon, 4th V.P. John Morehouse, Sec-Treas. Sandra Sparkman, and all that important dull stuff was taken care of from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Later around 7:30 everyone "dolled" up and came back to the hall to have cocktails of their choice, catered hot and cold hors d'oeuvres and live music. Our four piece band was very loud and made the whole place rock on its foundation but after awhile everyone loosened up and even horseshoe pitchers found out they could do the hustle, the bump, the jitterbug, and even a very occasionally cuddly number.

We think everyone had a lot of fun and is looking forward to next year.

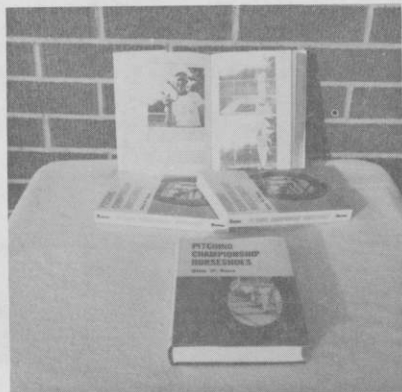
BEG YOUR PARDON

In the January issue in the listing of the 100 top pitchers, A.J.J. Nave was listed as being from Tennessee. However, this fine pitcher with a better than 70 percent ringer average is the present state champion of South Carolina and hails from Greenville, South Carolina.

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GEO. CURLEY MEMORIAL OPEN — JUNE 25-26 — TOLEDO, OHIO

The George Curley Memorial Open, in memory of the late George Curley, will be held on the Jermain park courts on Saturday and Sunday, June 25 and 26 in Toledo, Ohio. It will be NHPA sanctioned and the entry fee for Classes A and B will be \$8.50. All other classes will be \$6.50. All entries MUST be in by midnight of June 19. There will be one trophy per class except in the Ladies Class which will be two. Classes A and B will pitch on Sunday, June 26. Additional cash prizes to first three places in each of these classes. In case of a tie in Classes A and B, there will be a playoff. All other classes the ringer percentage will determine winner in each class. Mail entry fees to Dale Dombrowsky, 1013 Cresceus Road, Oregon City, Ohio 43616 or phone 1-419-698-1733 by midnight of June 19.

HARRY HOPKINS OF OHIO ERECTING NEW INDOOR PITCHING FACILITY

A new indoor pitching facility is now under construction thru the efforts of Harry Hopkins of Piqua, Ohio. There will be two courts available and he hopes to have it ready for league play by the time the winter season begins.

ANNUAL SPRING FEVER OPEN — JUNE 3-4-5 — MARION, OHIO

The annual Spring Fever Open tournament will be held in Marion, Ohio on June 3-4-5. The tournament is on a first come first served basis. Last year 25 entrants were turned away. Send last year's highest ringer percentage. Deadline for entries is May 22 and should be sent to Max Roseberry, 267 Thew Avenue, Marion, Ohio 43302. Phone 614-382-2817. Entry fee will be \$7.50. Class A will be \$5.00 additional and Class B will be \$3.00 additional. The Marion club reserves the right to place men where they see fit. Class A will be 16 men playing 8 games on Saturday and 7 games on Sunday.

There will be two trophies per class except in Class A which will be one to the winner only. Class A prize list as follows: 1st - \$200; 2nd - \$100; 3rd - \$50; 4th - \$40; 5th - \$30. Class B prize list, 1st - \$50; 2nd - \$30; 3rd - \$20.

PRUE AND WEIK FREEZE OPPOSITION IN JANUARY THAW

Elaine Prue, pitching in her first tournament, won the Women's Division of the "January Thaw" tournament at Heritage Recreation Center, Sutton, Mass. Virginia Alden placed second, Ellie Courville fourth, and Helen Dupont seventh. These were all new pitchers trying it for the first time, and having a ball. Elaine won five of her six games and averaged 22.0%, seven percent better than we all figured, including her. She had serious doubts and almost chickened out, being afraid she wouldn't get any ringers. It seems she was practicing from the wrong distance (it's not ten feet from the stake, Ron). Elaine attributes her success to intense concentration, acquired from the duties of her job.

Actually, the big show was in the stands. There's Ron Prue going ape whenever Elaine made a crucial ringer. Normally dour Gardner Alden squirming in his seat on every pitch by Virginia. Steady Eddie Courville with a rosy smile when Ellie finds the pin. Helen Dupont was the victim of too much advice between games, as she has a much better shoe than her percentage indicated. Even though Ray Degrenier, Ed Domey, and Russ Gadoury have seen it all, we still get nervous when Peggy, Anne, or Edith fell behind. All in all, it was better than a Hohl-Day match.

Don Weik swept seven games plus the high game pool, 84.2%, to take top honors in the Men's division. Joe Schultz and Paul Cormier rounded out the top three . . . Mel Merritt came from behind in his final game to wrap up Class 2. He found the going "heavy", as Paul Schultz had been promised a free soda and even a bag of peanuts by Gadoury and Boudreau if he won that game . . . Give Fran Norman an inch and he takes 3 points. After one poor game he came on like "gangbusters" to "cop" Class 3 . . . Bill White won playoff games over McMahon and Mitchell to win Class 4 . . . Joe Grillo not only averaged his best yet, but if you don't count his first game, "squeezing the show too hard", he averaged 51.7% to win Class 5 . . . Bill Dickinson, who has improved about 15% since early last summer, averaged 36.8% to walk away in Class 6 . . . Moe Farmer got back on his game and easily outdistanced the field in Class 7.

January Thaw (Continued)

Jerry Sojda brought quite a contingent from upstate New York. They looked sharp in their pitching shirts and had quite a time. Of course, our local boys game them proper greetings--nothing but ringers. Perhaps we can shoot up to Jerry's place where his people can reply in kind.

Championship Class — Don Weik, Ct. 7-0-71.2; Joe Schultz, NY, 6-1-59.2; Paul Cormier, MA, 4-3-61.3; Art Tyson, NY, 3-4-62.5; Bob Traquair, NH, 3-4-60.2; Bernard Davis, Sr., NH, 2-5-59.3; George Trabucchi, CT, 2-5-50.0; Russ Sweeney, MA, 1-6-58.2.

CLASS 2 — Mel Merritt, MA, 7-1-55.4; Russ Gadoury, MA, 6-2-51.4; Al Boudreau, NH, 5-3-59.1; Ed Courville, MA, 4-4-55.4; Paul Schultz, NY, 4-4-47.8; Ed Bodinski, MA, 3-5-47.2; Dan Beane, MA, 3-5-45.0; Bill Saunders, NH, 2-6-45.2; Amos Whitaker, MA, 2-6-43.5.

CLASS 3 — Fran Norman, MA, 6-1-50.6; Ray Peloquin, MA, 5-2-48.6; Sam Raymond, NH, 4-3-44.8; Bill Levesque, MA, 4-3-44.5; John Paramenter, MA, 4-3-44.4; Gil Lee, CT, 3-5-39.1; Ron Prue, MA, 2-5-48.5; Jerry Sojda, NY, 2-5-43.7; Zeke Zehler, NY, 2-5-41.6.

CLASS 4 — Bill White, MA, 5-2-40.3; Frank Mitchell, MA, 5-2-50.3; Bill McMahon, MA, 5-2-32.7; Joe Guy, MA, 4-3-41.3; Ray Benson, VT, 4-3-33.8; Jim Wyllie, MA, 4-4-33.3; Bob Martin, MA, 2-5-37.5; Don Fales, NH, 2-5-30.6; Dick Lewis, NY, 1-6-28.4.

CLASS 5 — Joe Grillo, MA, 6-1-47.0; Bill Knowles, MA, 5-2-45.1; Real Chenette, MA, 5-2-31.9; Ralph Lacerte, MA, 4-3-35.0; Hub Sasse, MA, 3-4-35.5; Dave Poole, MA, 3-4-28.1; Bill Dupont, MA, 2-5-32.0; Ray Degrenier, NY, 0-7-28.1.

CLASS 6 — Bill Dickinson, MA, 7-0-36.8; Joe Szlozek, MA, 5-2-28.0; Harold Thomas, MA, 4-3-32.3; Harry Schriker, MA, 4-3-20.7; Jay Benton, CT, 3-4-26.2; Al Doucette, MA, 3-4-23.1; Don Moreau, NH, 2-5-18.1; J. H. Styles, NH, 0-7-15.1.

CLASS 7 — Moe Farmer, MA, 8-1-30.1; Brian Turcotte, MA, 7-2-24.6; Tony Nacewica, MA, 6-3-22.7; Jim Taverna, MA, 6-3-22.6; Ed Hamilton, MA, 5-4-20.5; Jim Laliberte, MA, 4-5-23.6; Dick O'Brien, MA, 4-5-17.5; Mike Desroches, MA, 3-6-19.9; Bart Sargent, MA, 2-7-19.0; Cliff Gaulin, MA, 0-9-14.0.

WOMEN — Elaine Prue, MA, 5-1-22.0; Virginia Alden, MA, 4-2-15.8; Peggy Degrenier, NY, 4-2-25.4; Edith Gadoury, MA, 3-3-32.9; Ellie Courville, MA, 2-4-8.3; Anne Domey, MA, 2-4-22.9; Helen Dupont, MA, 1-5-4.2.

SLAVEN OVER PERRY FOR GLEN MAURY OPEN TITLE IN VA.

E. Slaven topped A. Perry to win the playoff game for the Glen Maury Open title played last season in Virginia. J. Phelps won the Ladies' crown with 4 straight wins while A. Monday clipped 5 straight to win the Junior title.

CLASS A — E. Slaven, 9-1-68.5; A. Perry, 8-2-72.4; C. Price, 7-2-62.1; F. Monday, 5-4-55.8; C. Martin, 4-5-57.5; O. Burnette, 4-5-56.0; B. Dean, 3-6-59.3; J. P. Reeves, 3-6-54.1; D. Butts, 2-7-48.3; M. Wiles, 1-8-40.8.

CLASS B — Mann, 6-1-53.4; Swartz, 5-2-56.5; Wiseman, 4-3-49.1; D. Unger, 3-4-44.9; P. Miller, 3-4-43.3; C. Phelps, 3-4-39.2; Rose, 2-5-38.4; Deal, 2-5-37.6.

CLASS C — G. Buchanan, 7-0-53.6; L. Painter, 5-2-41.4; Wykle, 4-3-41.7; Routon, 4-3-38.0; Wiles, 3-4-34.0; B. Martin, 3-4-32.7; Harris, 2-5-37.2; R. Smith, 0-7-28.9.

CLASS D — Wall, 7-0-53.6; Blankenship, 6-1-39.4; Orndorff, 4-3-35.5; Grim, 4-3-32.8; R. Britten, 3-4-31.9; Torrence, 3-4-31.8; Hill, 1-6-30.9; C. Whiteside, 0-7-19.6.

CLASS E — Griffin, 7-0-35.4; Baker, 6-1-34.5; McFaden, 2-3-37.9; Jankowski, 2-3-28.5; W. Fitzgerald, 1-4-25.0; J. B. Fitzgerald, 1-4-22.5.

CLASS F — Rice, 7-1-22.7; Yeats, 5-2-21.7; McCormick, 5-2-21.1; Mathias, 3-3-19.4; Wilcher, 2-4-12.7; Moore, Forfeit; Lang, Forfeit.

LADIES — J. Phelps, 4-0-53.3; C. Dean, 2-2-36.4; N. Hottinger, 2-2-31.8; C. Smith, 1-3-24.0; V. Huffman, 0-4-10.0.

JUNIORS — A. Monday, 5-0-44.7; R. Perry, 4-1-47.4; F. Hottinger, 3-2-38.1; L. Hottinger, 1-4-27.4; L. Smith, 1-4-24.7; N. Monday, 0-5-8.0.

Joe Dawsey Wins Valley of the Sun Warm Up

Joe Dawsey of Phoenix, current Arizona state champion, won the Valley of the Sun Warm Up tourney at Pioneer Park in Mesa, Arizona in a three way play-off with Art Kamman of Mesa and Marion Lange of Iowa. Clarence Cummins of Idaho had the high percentage game of 72.2.

CLASS AA — J. Dawsey, 4-1-61.7; A. Kamman, 4-1-59.8; M. Lange, 4-1-63.1; C. Cummins, 2-3-55.7; A. Smith, 1-4-53.4.

CLASS A — O. Vallen, 5-0-54.0; D. Brooks, 4-1-57.4; J. McKissack, 3-2-53.7; N. Clark, 2-3-40.8; B. Trollden, 1-4-41.7.

CLASS B — F. Rackley, 5-0-52.5; M. Larkins, Sr., 4-1-48.7; W. Van Zanten, 3-2-45.2; F. Green, 2-3-43.8; B. Bissell, 1-4-39.1; E. Alldredge, 0-5-34.5.

CLASS C — F. Ash, 5-0-51.6; J. Randall, 3-2-45.0; P. Roe, 3-2-44.8; W. Hulshof, 2-3-43.3; C. Parker, 2-3-42.1; G. Mitchell, 0-5-31.0.

CLASS D — W. Andrews, 5-0-44.1; E. Luers, 4-1-37.2; L. Ferrin, 3-2-39.8; M. Bishop, 2-3-34.3; R. Thurgood, 1-4-26.2; P. Broze, 0-5-32.3.

CLASS E — H. Snyder, 4-1-36.9; R. Gueck, 4-1-35.1; C. Wood, 3-2-30.4; J. Stablyk, 2-3-39.1; J. Van De Water, 2-3-34.0; M. Bridges, 0-5-31.7; Snyder won in a playoff.

CLASS F — B. Linder, 5-0-32.0; B. Swickard, 4-1-24.3; C. Johnson, 3-2-27.5; K. Turner, 2-3-25.9; M. Dye, 1-4-16.0.

CLASS G — W. Dietz, 4-1-24.8; W. Koziba, 4-1-29.0; D. Mercure, 4-1-17.9; M. McKissack, 2-3-15.5; Juhl, 0-5 (Forfeit). Dietz won in a playoff.

CLASS A — Reece Baughn, New Castle, 5-0-66.5; Estel Bills, Connersville, 3-2-61.7; George Sales, New Castle, 3-2-59; Bob Moit, Indianapolis, 2-3-55.8; Bob May, Glenwood, 1-4-54.8; Kenny Perkins, Rushville, 1-4-51.2.

CLASS B — Clarence Andrews, Centerville, 5-0-60.1; Jim Pierson, Mooresville, 3-1-50.4; Jim Flowers, New Castle, 3-2-47.2; Harold Tatman, Greensburg, 2-3-50.8; David Tatman, Greensburg, 2-3-43.6; Frank Laurie, Springfield, 0-5-20.7.

CLASS C — Sam Huffman, Rushville, 5-1-40.3; Dick Dearing, Rushville, 5-1-40.5; Brian O'Connor, Indianapolis, 4-2-35.7; Dick Hostetler, Indianapolis, 4-2-32.8; Tim Tatman, Hartsville, 1-5-29; Lloyd Karstens, Rushville, 1-5-25.5; Larry Bills, Rushville, 1-5-16.1.

JR. CLASS A — Vic Moistner, Richmond, 2-0-47.2; Steve Bills, Connersville, 0-2-25.

JR. CLASS B — Mark Shepherd, Rushville, 3-0-19.2; Phil Bills, Connersville, 2-1-20.1; Bill Moistner, Richmond, 1-2-16; Lorna Bills II, Rushville, Forfeit.

BAUGHN WINS FEBRUARY INDOOR CLASSIC AT RUSHVILLE, IND.

CLASS A — Reece Baughn, New Castle, 6-1-67.3; Bob May, Glenwood, 5-2-65.8; Jim Kemple, Rushville, 5-2-60.1; George Sales, New Castle, 4-3-58.8; Kenny Perkins, Rushville, 3-4-57.7; John LeMond, Anderson, 3-4-47.6; Doyle Mink, Indianapolis, 2-5-46.3; Lloyd Karstens, Rushville, 0-7-25.7.

CLASS B — Estel Bills, Connersville, 5-0-55.2; Ed Weyer, Ferinland, 3-2-52.5; David Tatman, Greensburg, 3-2-40.5; Vernon Holland, Veedersburg, 2-3-40.1; Pete Wehr, Jasper, 1-4-37.2; Alfred Bills, Jr., 1-4-31.9.

CLASS C — Charles Batts, Holland, 7-0-46.8; Sam Huffman, Rushville, 5-2-40.2; Melvin Booth, Attica, 4-3-37.4; Pat Kluesner, Jasper, 4-3-28.2; Don Gould, Lafayette, 3-4-32.5; Larry Bills, Rushville, 2-5-25.4; Tim Tatman, Hartsville, 2-5-19.5; Lloyd Karstens, Rushville, 1-6-20.8.

CLASS D — Alfred Bills, Jr., Rushville, 3-0-25.4; Al Bills, Sr., Rushville, 2-1-28.3; Larry Bills, Rushville, 1-2-25.7; Fred Armentrout, Indianapolis, 0-3-11.1.

WOMEN'S CLASS — Lorna Bills II, Rushville, 3-1-19; Dorothy Bills, Rushville, 2-2-22.7; Lorna Bills I, Rushville, 1-3-22.

JR. CLASS — Bruce Patterson, Rushville, 3-0-34.3; Steve Bills, Connersville, 2-1-32.7; Mark Shepherd, Rushville, 1-2-15; Phil Bills, Connersville, 0-3-10.8.

ED DOMEY INTRODUCES HORSESHOE PITCHING TO THE BAHAMAS

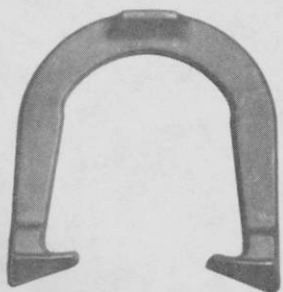
Ed Domey of Sutton, Mass. introduced horseshoe pitching to the Bahama Isle of New Providence in December. A complete set of horseshoes was presented to the Social Director CHUCK BLACK at the Nassau Beach Hotel. Any Horseshoe pitchers that vacation at the resort can enjoy the sport of pitching horseshoes in the coral sand. Shown in the picture is Chuck Black receiving the horseshoes from Ed Domey.



THIRD ANNUAL SPRING OPEN — MAY 14-15 — TOLEDO, OHIO

The first of two tournaments scheduled by the Toledo, Ohio club will be the Third Annual Spring Open tournament to be held on the Jermain park courts in Toledo, Ohio on Saturday and Sunday, May 14 and 15. The entry fee will be \$6.50 and must be sent in by midnight of May 8 to Dale Dombrowsky, 1013 Cresceus Road, Oregon City, Ohio 43616 or phone 1-419-698-1733. This will be an NHPA sanctioned tournament. There will be one trophy per class except in the Ladies Class which there will be two (to promote interest for the ladies). Classes A and B will pitch on Sunday. \$1.50 cash prize for each game won.

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Best wishes throughout the coming year and always remember . . .

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 Tennessee — Dexter Stallings, Rt. 6, Reed Dr., Powell, Tenn. 37849
 Texas — Bob Graham, 5926 Darlinghurst, Houston, Texas 77045
 Utah — Lynn Buys, 408 Pioneer, Tooele, Utah 84074
 Vermont — Rollie White, Box 4, Bridport, Vermont 05734
 Virginia — Brenda Wiles, Coleman Falls, Virginia 24536
 Washington — Art Sperber, 11018 Kitsap Way, Bremerton, Wash. 98310
 West Virginia — Marshall Flowers, Box 115, Lumberport, W. Va. 26386
 Wisconsin — Ann Opsteen, 304 Williams, Combined Locks, Wis. 54113
 Wyoming — Goldie Bindshadler, 520 S. 12th St., Laramie, Wyo. 82070
 Canadian — Jack Adams, 45385 Westview Ave., Chilliwack, B. C., Canada

In Memoriam

The Utah Association pays tribute to memory of one of its most ardent and enthusiastic pitchers and promoters, Dr. Gilbert C. Moesinger of Ogden, Utah. "Doc" as he was known by all his friends and associates, passed away on December 30, 1976 of a kidney failure.

He was a perfectionist in everything that he undertook. During his scholastic days he was a top athlete and on graduating from Utah State University became a top high school coach with his teams winning many high honors. "Doc" was always looking for new challenges so he took up the study of medicine serving some time in the Armed forces. In 1954 with two other physicians settled in Ogden, Utah and established the Weber Clinic serving the community very well. He was admired and loved by all.

"Doc" loved the game of horseshoes and could be found on weekends on a court somewhere in Utah. He served in many ways from being just "one of the boys" to being a good sport and finally being president of the Utah State Association.

When it became difficult for "Doc" to play due to his condition and having cataracts on his eyes which kept him from seeing the peg, he would still come out standing behind the fence and listen and then the way the shoe landed and say "it sounds like a ringer."

He is survived by his wife, 3 sons and a daughter to which the sincerest and heartfelt sympathy of the Utah Association, the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association and countless friends is extended in their hour of bereavement.

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The Wyoming Horseshoe Pitcher's Association lost one of its dedicated members in the death of Sam L. Hayes of Rawlins, Wyoming. For more than 30 years he participated in tournaments and sold horseshoe pitching in the Rocky Mountain Region. Sam was a friendly person. His keystone for the future popularity and success of horseshoe pitching was vigorous and unrelenting action on the part of dedicated pitchers. Sam is eulogized by his forthright convictions that horseshoe pitchers must energetically support the NHPA and thereby reap the benefits of all for one and one for all. This loyal supporter and pitcher, despite his handicap in late years, was the motivating force in getting 12 modern courts installed at Rawlins and to initiate the sanctioned Cowboy Open tournament.

To his bereaved family the sympathy of the Wyoming Association together with that of the National Association is extended.

10 REQUIREMENTS FOR HORSESHOE PITCHING

By Irene Bishop

1. A pair of \$17 Horseshoes in a \$15 carrying case.
2. A regulation court with outdoor flood lights and benches for the spectators.
3. A current NHPA card.
4. A sport shirt and cap with NHPA insignia.
5. A new air conditioned car with NHPA license plates to drive to the tournaments.
6. A hardback copy of **Pitching Championship Horseshoes** by Ottie Reno to keep in full view on the coffee table.
7. **The Horseshoe Pitchers News Digest** with all of the tournaments you plan to attend underlined in red.
8. A speaking acquaintance with the State Class A champion and pictures of you with him to prove it.
9. Some Skoal, Copenhagen, Redman, or **gum** to chew to calm your nerves and a cold beer to cool you off.
10. A friendly smile and a gift of gab.



SPOTLIGHT

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Local Clubs

TOLEDO, OHIO — The Toledo club is in its third year of existence and at the present time boasts a membership of 50 players and hopefully more will be coming in.

The Toledo Recreation Department has been and remains very cooperative concerning our club. They have already expanded our courts to a total of 8 and this spring they will install walkways which will give us one of the most attractive 8-court layouts in the country. Because of this cooperation by the Recreation Department and others, horseshoe pitching is definitely on the rise in the Toledo area.

The newly elected officers are: Dale Dombrowsky, Pres., Norm Armstrong, Vice-Pres., Glen Durfey, 2nd Vice-Pres., Cherrall Dombrowsky, Sec.-Treas. We want to thank the past officers for a job well done and extending to everyone living in or passing through the Toledo area to visit our fine horseshoe pitching facility. **TRY US YOU'LL LIKE US!**

ANNUAL ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI SPRING OPEN SET FOR MAY 15

The annual St. Louis Spring Open tournament will be held at the Carondelet park courts in St. Louis, Missouri one week after Mother's Day on May 15. There will be six classes and trophies to the first four in each caliber, A, B, C, D, E, and F. This year we already have 15 signed up for the Spring Meet. The first 48 paid up entrants will pitch, due to park limitations. Entry fee will be \$5.00. All previous first place winners will advance one grade. Last placers will step down one grade. This lends to a better balance for all pitchers. All games will be pitched on the point system. Rain date will be the following Sunday. Send your 100 shoe qualifying score with the \$5.00 entry fee to: Al Arunski, 5914 Leona, St. Louis, Missouri 63116.

The annual Fall Open tournament will be held the Sunday following Labor Day. Same place and requirements as in the Spring Open.

PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION ESTABLISHES HALL OF FAME

[See cover picture]

At ceremonies held on Labor Day weekend in Erie, Pa., John Fulton and Michael Reidl were inducted into the Keystone State's newly established Horseshoe Pitchers Hall of Fame.

John Fulton was selected as one of the greatest pitchers in Pennsylvania history. He has won more state championships than any other player — a total of ten (10). He was the first state champ to average over 70% when he posted 75.5 in the 1949 state tournament.

Michael Reidl was inducted into the Hall of Fame on the basis of serving as a faithful promotor-organizer for more than thirty (30) years.

The Hall of Fame Committee consisted of Clair Bruce, chairman; Joseph Mancini, Clyde Martz, and Jack Rainbow. The Committee is indebted to Bernard Herfurth of Massachusetts for his guidance in creating the Hall of Fame, which is patterned after the National Hall of Fame.

Credit for the Hall of Fame display goes to Jack Rainbow and Dave Baker. It is a beautiful handcrafted portable display made of maple and walnut complete with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Coat of Arms.

The Hall of Fame rules provide for the induction of one (1) player and one (1) promotor-organizer annually. In addition to the display, there will also be a scrapbook maintained which will include documentation of each inductee's achievements in the sport of horseshoe pitching.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ALABAMA TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION

1. The following are the requirements for participating in sanctioned tournaments of the Alabama Horseshoe Pitchers Association:
 - a) Be a member of the NHPA and AHPA. Dues are \$5.00 for NHPA and \$1.50 for the AHPA. These may be paid to one of the following prior to the tournaments deadline for entry. W.A. Nelson, Secretary, P.O. Box 48, Calera, Alabama 35040. Ottie W. Reno, Rte. 1, Box 134, Elberta, Alabama 36530. Ose Veesey, 3214 Bayless Drive, SW, Huntsville, Alabama 35806.
 - b) At the time of entry membership cards will be presented for verification of membership.
2. All tournament fees will remain the same for the year in the scheduled state sanctioned tournaments.
 - a) Fees are payable to the tournament committee to use for tournament expenses and awards.
 - b) Adults \$3.00 — Juniors \$2.00 (16 and under)
3. All sanctioned tournaments are to be played on the weekends as scheduled.
4. One sanctioned tournament will be played each month on the Brahan Springs Park courts, at Huntsville, Al.

ALABAMA STATE SCHEDULE FOR 1977

March 26 — Icebreaker Open	Entry Deadline — March 21
April 23 — Dogwood Open	Entry Deadline — April 18
May 14 — Huntsville Classic	Entry Deadline — May 9
June 18 — 2nd No. Al. Open	Entry Deadline — July 11
July 16 — High Temp Open	Entry Deadline — July 11
August 13 — Ala. State Championship	Entry Deadline August 8
Sept. 17 — Cotton Picken Open	Entry Deadline — Sept. 12
Oct. 15 — Witches and Goblins Open	Entry Deadline — Oct. 10

No refunds after deadline for entries.

MAKE YOUR WORLD TOURNAMENT LODGING RESERVATIONS EARLY

Contestants and visitors to the 1977 World Tournament to be held in Greenville, Ohio, July 29 thru August 7 are urged to arrange for lodging early.

There are a limited number of motels in Greenville and it is expected that many rooms will be available in private homes to supplement the housing demand. The housing committee is compiling a listing of housing units and will do their best to match housing demands and requirements with available facilities.

There appears to be adequate space and facilities for campers, trailers and tents at the Darke County fairgrounds located in the city.

For a request for rooms in a private home or camping at the fairgrounds, please contact the following members of the housing committee: Mrs. Jackie McCombs, 228 West Water Street, Greenville, Ohio 45331; Phone: 513-548-5448 or Mrs. Thelma Neff, 6522 Westfall Road, Greenville, Ohio 45331; Phone 513-548-5211.

WORLD TOURNAMENT LODGING FACILITIES IN AND NEAR GREENVILLE

ALLREAD'S CAMP — 4½ miles east of Greenville, Ohio off Rte. 36. Phone 513-548-6323.
WILDCAT WOODS — 6 miles west of Greenville, Ohio on Wildcat Road. Phone 513-548-7921.

For those not wishing to be housed in a private home the following motels within a 25 mile radius of Greenville are available:

SANDMAN MOTEL — Rt. 40 and 127 south: Phone: 513-678-7181. Greenville, Ohio.
SIESTA MOTEL — Rt. 70 and 127 south. Phone: 513-456-4183. Greenville, Ohio.
SOUTH BOY MOTEL — Rt. 127 north, Celina, Ohio. Phone: 419-586-2363. Greenville, Ohio.

THE MAPLES MOTEL — 7701 National Road East, Richmond, Indiana. Phones: 513-437-2151 and 513-437-9161.

SPIRIT OF '76 — Rt. 40 and 70, Richmond, Indiana. Phone: 317-966-7591.

N.H.P.A. PRICE LIST

Effective September 1, 1976

Please order items below from your nearest representative:

DONALD KOSO, 803 E. 12th St., Falls City, Nebr. 68355 (Phone 402-245-3540)

HERBERT PINCH, 592 Hull St., Sharon, Pa. 16146 (Phone 412-346-4506)

CHECK MONEY ORDER MUST ACCOMPANY ALL ORDERS — Please include sales tax.

HORSESHOES — Please specify temper desired. 1 to 5 pairs will be shipped prepaid, 6 pairs or more will be shipped freight collect.

	DIAMOND	AMERICAN	GORDON	OHIO "O"	OHIO PRO	IMPERIAL
1-5 prs.	9.50	\$9.50	\$9.50	\$12.00	\$15.00	\$17.00
6 prs. or more	\$8.50	\$8.50	\$8.50	\$11.00	\$13.50	\$15.50

Diamond Jr. Horseshoes — \$6.00 pr.

SPORTS SHIRTS with NHPA insignia — \$7.50 each; 6 or more \$7.00 each (Specify S-M-L-XL)

T SHIRTS with NHPA insignia — \$4.00 each; 6 or more \$3.50 each (Specify S-M-L-XL)

NOTE: For lettering on shirts add \$4.00 each — State name, city, and state to be lettered on back of shirt — PLEASE PRINT PLAINLY — Orders for lettered shirts **must** be sent to Herbert Pinch. Allow 3-4 weeks for delivery. The sport shirt is best for lettering.

Herbert Pinch can get white jackets lettered for \$40.00 (State S-M-L-XL) These are BUTWIN acrilan jackets that have a cashmere appearance and are washable.

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WOOD CARRYING CASE — \$15.00 each

NHPA AUTO PLATES — \$1.50 each; 6 or more \$1.25 each

NHPA Decals — \$.50 each; 25 or more \$.40 each

NHPA Insignias — Large size 6" x 6" — \$1.50 each; 25 or more \$1.25 each

NHPA Insignias — Small size 3" x 3" — \$.75 each; 25 or more \$.50 each

SCORE PADS (100 sheets) — \$1.00 each

TRIPPLICATE SCORE SHEETS — \$.03 each

PERCENTAGE BOOKS — \$.75 each; 10 or more \$.50 each

INDIVIDUAL ROUND ROBIN TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE CARDS — \$.03 each

MASTER SUMMARY CHARTS (Specify 6-8 man or 10-12 man) — \$.05 each

BLUEPRINTS FOR NHPA Scoring Devices — \$.25 each

"How-to-do-it" The Horseshoe Pitcher's Manual — \$.75 each; 6 or more \$.50 each

PITCHING CHAMPIONSHIP HORSESHOES by Ottie Reno

— Hard Back Edition — \$5.95 each

— Paper Back — 1st Edition — \$2.95 each

— Paper Back — 2nd Edition — \$4.95 each

THE HORSESHOE PITCHERS' NEWS DIGEST — Monthly magazine — \$5.00 per year

DUES — \$5.00 for national plus state dues (Contact your State Secretary)

JUDGING TOOL — \$3.50 each; 6 or more \$3.00 each (NEW ITEM)

CANADIAN HORSESHOE PITCHERS YEARBOOK

1977 EDITION — NO. 1

Many photographs of Canadian horseshoe pitchers in action. Records of past years. Results of "Canadian National", provincial tournaments and many others. Price—\$3.50 postpaid.

Send to: Ed Murray, Delmas, Saskatchewan, Canada, SOM OPO

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.

May 14-15 — Third Annual Spring Open Tournament, Jermain Park Courts, Sanctioned. Entry fee of \$6.50 to be sent to Dale Dombrowsky, 1013 Cresceus Road, Oregon City, Ohio 43616. Phone: 1-419-698-1733. Deadline, May 8, midnite.

May 15 — Annual St. Louis Spring Open Tournament, Carondelet Park Courts, St. Louis, Missouri. First 48 entries will pitch. Send entry fee of \$5.00 to Al Arunski, 5914 Leona, St. Louis, Missouri 63116.

June 25-26 — George Curley Memorial Open Tournament, Jermain Park Courts, Sanctioned. Entry fee Class A and B \$8.50, all other classes \$6.50. Entry deadline June 19, midnight. Send to Dale Dombrowsky, 1013 Cresceus Road, Oregon City, Ohio 43616. Phone: 1-419-698-1733.

July 29 thru Aug. 7 — 1977 World Tournament, City Park Courts, Greenville, Ohio.

Sept. 18-19 — Annual Statesville Autumn Open Tournament, Lakewood Park Courts, Statesville, North Carolina. Trophies and cash awards. Men's, Juniors, Ladies' and Girls' divisions.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA SCHEDULE

Entry fee of \$8.00 and your highest percentage must accompany your entry 10 days prior to tournament date. No refund of entry fee if you are unable to attend. All tournaments will be sanctioned so all participants must be a member of the NHPA. Please wear a shirt with your name on the back.

June 4-5 — Spring Fling, New Castle, Pa.
June 11-12 — Dormont Open, Dormont, Pa.
June 18-19 — Eastern Nationals, Erie, Pa.
July 9-10 Beaver County Open, Beaver, Pa.
July 16-17 — Kunzua County Classic, Warren, Pa.
July 23-24 — North Western, Erie, Pa.
Aug. 13-14 — Three Rivers Open, Dormont, Pa.
Aug. 20-21 — All County Tournament
Aug. 27-28 — Bradys Run Park Open, Beaver, Pa.
Sept. 3-4-5 — Penna State Tournament, Bristol, Pa.
Sept. 10-11 — Don Verrico Open, Beaver, Pa.
Sept. 24-25 — Fall Round Up, New Castle, Pa.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

NEWCASTLE — Clair Bruce, 119 Glen-More Blvd., New Castle, Pa. 16105. Phone: 412-654-9909.
DORMONT — Mike Riedl, 2631 Broadway Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15216. Phone: 412-341-0168.
BEAVER — Herman Boyer, 6159 Tusc. Road, Beaver, Pa. 15009. Phone: 412-495-7598.
WARREN — Virgil Albaugh, 16 Ferncliff Drive, Rte. 1-A, Russell, Pa. 16345. Phone: 814-757-4466.
ERIE — Glenn Sebring, 3304 Harvard Road, Erie, Pa. 16508. Phone: 814-868-3941.
ERIE — Jack Potter, 4040 Zimmerman Road, Erie, Pa. 16510. Phone: 814-899-8418.
PENNA. SEC.-TREAS. — Joseph J. Mancini, 1025 Dewey Ave., New Castle, Pa. 16101.

HERITAGE RECREATION CENTER 1976-77 WINTER SCHEDULE

February 13 Edgar Landry Memorial .39% and under
February 20 Edgar Landry Memorial40% and up
March 20 Easter Ham Shoot39% and under
March 27 Easter Ham Shoot40% and up
April 17 Heritage Nat'l Open39% and under
April 30 Heritage Nat'l Open40% 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.

ARIZONA SCHEDULE 1977

Feb. 18-19-20 — Annual Valley of the Sun Open, Pioneer Park Courts, Mesa, Arizona.
Mar. 28 — Snowbird Open, Pioneer Park Courts, Mesa, Arizona.
Oct. 23 — State Tournament, Pioneer Park Courts, Mesa, Arizona.
Nov. 13 and 20 — Temple Parks Open, Daley Park Courts, Temple, Arizona.
Dec. 4 — Mesa Parks Open, Pioneer Park Courts, Mesa, Arizona.

Mail all entries to Ralph McCarty, 233 North Val Vista Drive, 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.

DAY-BELL INDOOR COURTS SCHEDULE 1976-1977

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)
Aprkl 30-May 1, 1977 — Open 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 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.

**1977 WORLD TOURNAMENT DATES WILL BE JULY 29
THRU AUGUST 7 AT GREENVILLE, OHIO**

Coming Events—Continued

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.

- 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.

PIKE COUNTY OHIO INDOOR SCHEDULE

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 noon
 - 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.

WICONICO CLUB OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND PICNIC ISLAND

- May 21-22 — Wiconico Invitational Lawrence Open, trophies.
 - June 8-10 — Salisbury Open Tournament (Sealtest), trophies.
 - July 16-17 — Eastern Shores Open Tournament (Culligan), trophies.
 - Aug. 20-21 — South Atlantic Open Tournament (Peninsula Bank), Money tournament and trophies.
 - Sept. 3-4 — Annual Maryland State Tournament (R.C. Cola), Closed, trophies.
 - Sept. 24-25 — Fruitland Tastee Freeze Open, trophies Annual. Rain date following week.
 - Juniors (singles, qualified and signed up by 9:45 a.m. — start at 10 a.m.
 - Men (singles, qualified and signed up by 12:30 p.m. Start at 1 p.m.
 - Women (accepted due to entries)
- For further information, contact Willard Sammons, Rte. 2, Box 69, Seaford, Delaware 19973.

- Apr. 30 — Ormond Beach Open, Ormond Beach, Fla. Contact D.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

- A — Lee Davis, P.O. Box 3426, Seminole, Fla. 33542 (813-392-8504)
- B — Norm Gaseau, 1908 Nugget Dr., Clearwater, Fla. (813-443-2892)
- C — Dick Ferguson, 4337 Midland Rd., Sarasota, Fla. 33581 (813-924-4117)
- D — Howard Hawes, P.O. Box 423, Bunnell, Fla. 32010 (904-437-2091)
- E — Joel Berrall, P.O. Box 1802, Orlando, Fla. 32802 (305-894-3379)
- F — John Rademacher, 408 Pevetty Dr., Plant City, Fla. (813-752-1226)
- G — Earle Johnson, 3301-12th Ave. E, Bradenton, Fla. 33505 (813-746-8298)
- H — Joe Stafford, 1320 Sharon Dr., Titusville, Fla. 32780 (305-269-5700)
- I — David Cevasco, 105 Palm Breeze Dr., Edgewater, Fla. 32032 (904-427-7215)
- J — Harold Cheffer, 26 Colonial Dr., Naples, Fla. 33940
- K — Geo. Buskey, 603 Southgate Park, Clearwater, Fla. 33516 (813-441-3332)

RUSH INDOOR COURTS

1976-1977 Season . . . Rushville, Indiana
Entry fee all tournaments \$7.00

- 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 entries to Jerry Wood, Rte. 2, Box 114, Elwood, Indiana 46036. Phone: 552-6679. Mail entries must be received by midnight on deadline date. Phone calls for entries will be taken until Friday noon after Wednesday deadline.

SOUTH CAROLINA SCHEDULE

- April 30 — Open Tournament, Joslin Park Courts, Rock Hill, S.C.
- May 28 — Open Tournament, City Park Courts, Simpsonville, S.C.
- June 25 — Sanctioned tournament, Joslin Park Courts, Rock Hill, S.C.
- July 23 — Second Annual July Invitational, Open, City Park Courts, Simpsonville, S.C.
- August 20 — Open Tournament, Joslin Park Courts, Rock Hill, S.C.
- Sept. 10 — Sanctioned Tournament, City Park Courts, Simpsonville, S.C.
- Sept. 20 — Annual South Carolina State Tournament (Closed), Joslin Park Courts, Rock Hill, S.C.
- October 15 — Sanctioned Tournament, City Park Courts, Simpsonville, S.C.

Coming Events—Continued

OHIO SCHEDULE FOR 1977

May — Date to be announced — Toledo Open, sanctioned, Entries to Dale Dombrowski, 1013 Cresces, Oregon, Ohio 43616.

May 21-22 — Hamilton Open, sanctioned, Class A, B, C, D men, and Ladies Class A, Send \$7.50 entry to Katherine Harrison, 1921 King Ave., Hamilton, Ohio 45015. Phone: 1-513-863-7661.

May 28-29-30 — Piqua Open, sanctioned Classes A, B, C, D and Ladies Class A. Entry fee of \$7.50 and percentage to Francis Asher, 1425 Mulberry St., Piqua, Ohio 45356 by midnight May 21.

June 3-4-5 — Marion Open, sanctioned. Send entries to Max Roseberry, 267 Thew Ave., Marion, Ohio 43302.

June 11-12 — Silver Dollar Open, sanctioned. Lancaster, Ohio 43130.

June 18-19 — Hebron Open, sanctioned. 2 trophies per class. Boy's class A only. Send \$5.00 entry fee to Lester Hite, 7915 Loudon St., Johnstown, Ohio 43031. Phone: 1-614-967-7173.

July 2-3-4 — Annual Greenville Ringer Classic,

sanctioned. Qualify at courts, no requalifying. Entry fee \$7.50.

July 16-17 — Piqua Open. 60-shoe count-all. Entry fee \$6.00. 2 trophies per class. 6 men per class. Ladies welcome.

July 23-24 — Ft. Hamilton Days tournament, sanctioned, classes A, B, C, D and Ladies' Class A. Entry fee and percentage to Katherine Harrison, 1921 King Ave., Hamilton, Ohio 45015. Phone 1-513-863-7661.

August — Dates to be announced for Miami County Fair tournament and Darke County Horseshoe Club fair tournament.

Sept. 3-4-5 — Labor Day Weekend — Ohio State tournament, Greenville, Ohio. Intermediate and Senior Men's class added this year. Indicate class when signing in to Ohio secretary. Qualify at courts, no requalifying. Convention before tournament.

Date to be announced for Southwest District at Hamilton, Ohio. Sanctioned. Entry fee, \$6.00. Qualify at courts or use state qualification.

PINECREST 1977 INDOOR SCHEDULE Elwood, Indiana

Send all entries to Jerry Wood, Rte. 2, Box 114, Elwood, Indiana 46036. Phone: 552-6679. 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.

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.

NEW YORK SCHEDULE

March 13 — Sojda's Indoor Open, Men's Classes, 37% below, 38% & above, Sunday, March 20th. Contact Gerald J. Sojda Sr., 3385 Dodgeson Rd., Alexander, N.Y. 14005. Tel. (716) 343-9763.

April 3 — Sojda's Indoor Open, Men's Classes 37% & below, Sunday, 38% & above, Sunday, April 17th. Contact Gerald J. Sojda Sr., 56 Harvester Batavia, N.Y. 14020. Tel. (716) 343-9763.

May 1 — Sojda's Indoor Open, Men's Classes 37% & below, Sun., 38% & above, Sun., May 15th. Contact Gerald J. Sojda Sr., 56 Harvester Ave., Batavia, NY 14020. Tel. (716) 343-9763.

June 4, 10 a.m. — Carl Von Der Lancken Open, New Rochelle, Horseshoe Club, Sharkey Pk., Ft. Slocum Rd., New Rochelle, N.Y. Contact Wm. N. MacLeod, 12 Mt. Etna Pl., New Rochelle, N.Y. 10805. Tel. (914) NE2-8667.

June 12 — Doubles Open, NE-OS-CO Horseshoe Club, Pulaski, N.Y. Dunbar Field. Two man teams. Send combined % for classification. Contact Paul Wilson, 7638 Erie St., Pulaski, N.Y. 13142. Tel. (315) 298-2277.

July 9-10 — NE-OS-CO Open, NE-OS-CO Horseshoe Club, Pulaski, N.Y. Dunbar Field-Ringer %

classification. Contact Paul Wilson, 7638 Erie St., Pulaski, N.Y. 13142. Tel. (315) 298-2277.

Aug. 20, 10 a.m. — Dominic P. Sharkey Memorial, New Rochelle Horseshoe Club, New Rochelle, N.Y. Sharkey Pk., Ft. Slocum Rd. Contact Walter J. Barker, 15 Hutchinson Blvd., Mt. Vernon, N.Y. 10553. Tel. (914) MO7-1723.

Aug. 20-21 — Northern Open, Northern Horseshoe Club, Canton, N.Y. Raindate following weekend. Contact Jack Townsend, 11 Pine St., Canton, N.Y. 13617.

Sept. 3-4-5 — State Tournament, Sat., Sun., Mon. NE-OS-CO Horseshoe Club, Pulaski, N.Y. Dunbar Field. Contact Hilton Zehr, Rt. 1, Woodville, N.Y. 11427. Tel. (315) 846-5406.

Sept. 17, 10 a.m. — Joseph Zichella Open, New Rochelle Horseshoe Club, Sharkey Pk., Ft. Slocum Rd. Contact John Loughery, 270 Throggsneck Blvd., Bronx, N.Y. 10465. Tel. (212) 892-1017.

Sat., Oct. 8, 10 a.m. — Metropolitan N.Y., A.A.U. Sharkey Pk., Ft. Slocum Rd., New Rochelle, N.Y. Contact Harry Barr, 80-75 208th St., Queens Village, N.Y. 11427. Tel. (212) HO5-5662.

Coming Events—Continued

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SCHEDULE

March 6 — Norm Smith Doubles, 12 noon, South Gate
 March 13 — Hollingsworth Open, 12 noon, Pomona.
 March 20 — Class B and G Open, (Hcp) 12 noon, South Gate.
 March 27 — Burbank Doubles, 12 noon, Burbank.
 April 17 — Class C and F Open (Hcp), 12 noon, South Gate.
 April 23 — John Walker Doubles, 12 noon, San Diego.
 April 24 — Class A and D Open (Hcp), San Diego.
 May 1 — Louie Dean Doubles and Women, 12 noon, South Gate.
 May 15 — Fernando Isais Open, Orange.
 May 22 — Classes B, E and G Open, South Gate.
 May 28-29 — C. Birkenbach Memorial, Baldwin Park.
 June 5 — Sam Haigh Doubles, 12 noon, San Bernardino.
 July 12 — South Gate Open (Hcp), South Gate, 12 noon.
 June 19 — Pomona Doubles (Club), 12 noon, Pomona.
 June 26 — Gunnar Hansen Class D, 12 noon, Baldwin Park.
 July 2 — Sernan Nautical C and D Open, 10 a.m., Santa Barbara.
 July 3 — Sernan Nautical A and B Open, 10 a.m., Santa Barbara.
 July 10 — South Gate C and E Open, 12 noon, South Gate.
 July 16-17 — Elmer Beller Open and B, C and D, 3 p.m., South Gate.
 July 23 — Burbank Doubles, 12 noon, Burbank.

July 24 — 45 percent and under and Women, 12 noon, South Gate.
 August 7 — Archie Gregson Doubles, 12 noon, South Gate.
 August 13 — Jerry Schneider Doubles, 12 noon, San Diego.
 August 14 — San Diego B and E (Hcp), 12 noon, San Diego.
 August 21 — Wally Shipley Championship Doubles, 12 noon, South Gate.
 August 28 — Championship B and F, 12 noon, South Gate.
 Sept. 3-4 — California State Championship, Stockton.
 Sept. 11 — Championship C, E and G, 12 noon, South Gate.
 Sept. 18 — 60 percent and under (Hcp), 12 noon, San Bernardino.
 Sept. 25 — Class C and F (Hcp), 12 noon, South Gate.
 October 2 — 28 percent and under, (Hcp), 12 noon, Orange.
 October 8-9 — Barstow Open, 12 noon, Barstow.
 October 16 — Championship A, D and F, 12 noon, South Gate.
 October 23 — Class E and G Open, 12 noon, South Gate.
 October 29 — Jesse Gonzales Doubles, 12 noon, San Diego.
 October 30 — Lowell Gray Open (Hcp), 12 noon, San Diego.
 Nov. 6 — John Gordon Open, 12 noon, South Gate.
 Nov. 13 — Harry Morin Doubles, 12 noon, Pomona.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SCHEDULE

March 6 — Tom Brownell Open, San Jose.
 March 12 (Sat.) — Class C Open, Livermore.
 March 13 — Rain Date.
 March 19 (Sat.) — Rain Date.
 March 20 — Class A Open, Sacto.
 March 26 (Sat.) — Open, Santa Rosa.
 March 27 — Class B Open, Vallejo.
 April 2 — (Sat.) — Open, Mosswood.
 April 3 — Class A Open, San Lorenzo.
 April 3 — Class D Open, Stockton.
 April 9 — Rain Date.
 April 10 — Easter.
 April 16 (Sat.) — Women & Jrs., San Jose.
 April 17 — State Fund Open, San Jose.
 April 23 (Sat.) — Class C Open, Sacto.
 April 24 — Class A Open, Colusa.
 April 30 (Sat.) — Western States Women & Jrs., Sacramento.
 May 1 — Western Sts. Open, Sacto.
 May 7 (Sat.) — Class E Open, Auburn.
 May 8 — Mother's Day.
 May 14 (Sat.) — City Parks & Recreation Open, Stockton.
 May 15 — Class A Open, Vallejo.
 May 15 — Class D Open, Turlock.
 May 21 (Sat.) — Class A Open, Turlock.
 May 21 (Sat.) — Class C Open, Colusa.
 May 22 — Class B Open, Stockton.
 May 29 — Memorial Day Open, Golden Gate.
 June 4 (Sat.) — State Fund Open, Stockton (co-host San Jose).
 June 5 — Class B Open, Mosswood.
 June 11 (Sat.) — Class B & Srs., Shasta.

June 12 — Open, Shasta.
 June 18-19 — Gold Country Open, Grass Valley.
 June 19 — Class D, Livermore.
 June 25 (Sat.) — Class D Open, Colusa.
 June 26 — Class C Open, Golden Gate.
 June 26 — Ole Hanson Open, Seaside.
 July 2 (Sat.) — Open, Auburn.
 July 3 — Women & Jrs., Auburn.
 July 4 — Independence Day Open, San Jose.
 July 9 (Sat.) — Class B, Turlock.
 July 10 — Bill McNally Open, Livermore.
 July 16 (Sat.) — Class B Open, Colusa.
 July 17 — Santa Rosa Fair Open, Santa Rosa.
 July 17 — Capt. Weber Day Open, Stockton (non-sanctioned).
 July 23 (Sat.) — Open, San Lorenzo.
 July 24 — Class A Open, Golden Gate.
 July 24 — Class D Open, Sacramento.
 July 30 — State Fund Open, Stockton (Night, Sign in by 3:00, Play time 4:00)
 August 6 (Sat.) — Open, Turlock.
 August 7 — Class C Open, Colusa.
 August 13 (Sat.) — Women & Jrs., Turlock.
 August 14 — Class A Open, Rio Dell.
 August 14 — Class E Open, Sacramento.
 August 20 (Sat.) — Class B Open, Sacramento.
 August 21 — Pacific Coast Open, San Jose.
 August 27 (Sat.) — Class C Open, Vallejo.
 August 28 — Open, Mosswood.
 August 28 — Fair Open, Grass Valley.
 Sept. 3-4 — State Championship, Stockton (Qualifying Starts Sept. 2nd).
 Sept. 11 — Mayor Douglas Open, Vallejo.

Coming Events—Continued

Sept. 11 — Women & Jrs. NCHPA Championship, San Jose.
 Sept. 18 — NCHPA D & E Championship — Stockton.
 Sept. 18 — NCHPA B Championship, Livermore.
 Sept. 25 — NCHPA A Championship, Santa Rosa.
 Oct. 2 — NCHPA AA Championship, Sacto.

Oct. 9 — NCHPA C Championship, San Jose.
 Oct. 16 — Seniors Championship, Mosswood.
 Oct. 23 — Class B Open, Auburn.
 Oct. 30 — Class D & E Open, San Lorenzo.
 Nov. 5 (Sat.) — Annual Business Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Year-end Party, 7:30 p.m., Stockton.

STEELMARK CLUB OF OHIO SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The Steelmark Club of Mingo Junction, Ohio announces the following tournament events at the courts located at the Ohio & Nut Washer Co., adjacent to Mingo Stadium, Mingo Junction, Ohio just off Commercial Ave. and State Route 7.

5th Annual Steelmark Open, May 21-22. Entry fee \$8.00 which includes all charges. Deadline May 10th, 1977. Players in this one have first choice in the big August tournament.

First annual Jefferson County Open tournament, June 25-26. Entry fee \$3.00. Dirt Championships played on Dirt. Picnic style, no boxes. Strictly handicapped for fairness. Pro players will be on hand to teach tournament horseshoes to anyone interested, on clay courts.

The big one — 5th annual Mingo Junction Open tournament, August 20-21. Entry fee \$8.00. Complete deadline, August 10th. Money — trophies — prizes — top 3 classes. Sanctioned.

All entries for all tournaments considered final and payable. Send entries to Herbert Cornelius, 1006 Hukill Street, Brilliant, Ohio 43913 or phone 1-614-598-4809 after 9:00 p.m.

9th ANNUAL CAROLINA DOGWOOD FESTIVAL OPEN —

Start now to make plans to attend the 9th annual Carolina Dogwood Festival Open at the Lakewood Park lighted courts on April 1 thru 3, 1977. Qualifying rounds end at Noon on the 2nd. Plenty of Motel Rooms this year since the Furniture Mart dates will not interfere. Three (3) new large deluxe motels have been built. Top prize money will be awarded again and the huge 5 foot trophy will be awarded as in the past years for the champ of the Mens Class A Division plus \$100.00. Trophies will also be awarded to the top 5 in Mens & Womens Class A. 1st and 2nd place winners in Mens B, C, D, E, F and G Classes and other Mens Classes if needed. Also 2 trophies for Womens B Class and Boys & Girls Classes plus other money awards for Mens Class A & B and Womens Class A. The Individual traveling the farthest will receive a trophy. A Special Trophy Award will also be made again to the State with the most pitchers present.

EXCERPTS OF HORSESHOES IN THE NEWS

By Sol Berman

New York Times, January 16, 1977 — Article by Roy Meaderof Ann Arbor, Michigan. (His athletic activity is confined to pitching horseshoes every winter in Arizona.)

“What is inherently superior about golf or tennis over pitching horseshoes? Each relies on accuracy. Each offers observers graceful eye-rewarding arcs. Tension of play is comparable. Success or failure is equally conspicuous.”

“The difference is that horseshoe pitching is not a respecter of ages. When the sport assumes the prominence it deserves, I know an 84-year old living in Tuscon, Arizona will be acclaimed the world's greatest athlete, she is just phenomenal.”

Newark Sunday Star Ledger, January 30, 1977 — “Pillar to Post” column, by Anthony Marengi.

“Scandals probably have exploded in all sports with the exception of horseshoe pitching and Bocci, but give them sufficient magnification and betting angles and their day will come.”

Jersey City Journal, November 5, 1976 — Quite a find — The largest diamond found in the eastern United States.

The 34-½ karat “Punch Jones” was found by Grover and William Jones while pitching horseshoes in their front yard in Peterstown, West Virginia. Picked up in 1928 the rough gem was kept around the house for 15 years before anyone realized it was actually a diamond.

N.H.P.A. Horseshoe Astrocast

By Bob Graham

ARIES [March 21 - April 19] — Backswing will cause you major problems, but don't think about it. Pay your 1977 membership dues early. Someone from Ohio will beat you decisively. Talk to Leo McGrath.

TAURUS [April 20 - May 20] — You are guiding the horseshoe and it's causing distance and alignment problems. Don't cut your wrists, it's only a game. Laugh more. Relax between games like Glenn Riffle.

GEMINI [May 21 - June 20] — Don't be discouraged by your recent showing. Recent discovery on holding the shoe will pay big dividends. Invite friends over. A big fellow from Canada will lose to you.

CANCER [June 21 - July 22] — Quit trying to "psyche" your opponents by feigning aches and pains. You have a big, explosive game coming up soon. Advice from Jim Solomon should be tactfully ignored; he goes off the wrong foot anyway.

LEO [July 23 - Aug. 22] — If you have many more lousy tournaments like the last one, take your friend's advice and give the game up. Purchase a bowling ball, just in case. Ray Martin can help you get started.

VIRGO [Aug. 23 - Sept. 22] — Your inability to win the big ones is primarily due to lack of practice. Your show is too low, put more flight wobble on it. Leave the politics to Shipley.

LIBRA [Sept. 23 - Oct. 22] — Don't let family pressures keep you from practicing. Consider changing your style of pitching. Much more concentration is needed. Decide which is more important, your wife or your horseshoes. If this does not do it, send for supply of P. D. Riley's ringer grease.

SCORPIO [Oct. 23 - Nov. 21] — If you keep your balance and follow through, you can survive emotional set-backs of finishing second. Work hard on opening your shoe and closing your mouth. Don't let age creep up on you. Smile when pitching like Henton.

SAGITTARIUS [Nov. 22 - Dec. 21] — Trade your present shoes for a different brand. Drink less beer during the tournament, praying for ringers will not really help. Put some courts in at home, and keep your shoe up in the air like Mark Seibold.

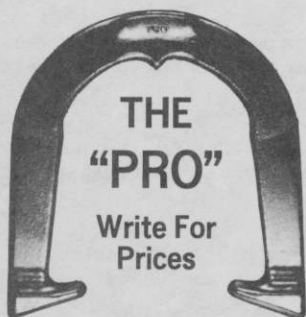
CAPRICORN [Dec. 22 - Jan. 19] — If you want to be a class "A" pitcher, forget it until your wardrobe improves. You are too slovenly and your shoe is too lazy. Talk to Jack Fahey about proper dress.

AQUARIUS [Jan. 20 - Feb. 18] — Your style of pitching is a joke. Scrap everything and start over. You have nothing to lose. Seek the advice of a professional horseshoe psychiatrist. Paint your shoes a different color. Consider going left-handed, John Walker will help you.

PISCES [Feb. 19 - Mar. 20] — You have only a couple more years of finishing near the bottom. Be patient, try cold showers. You have a communication problem with your present brand of shoes.



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