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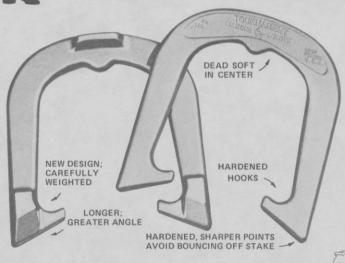
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NHPA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Wally Shipley

Following is my letter to Mr. O'Donnell, of Kohler and Sons, who are the distributors and promoters of Budweiser saleable merchandise.

Ed O'Donnell Kohler and Sons, Inc. 1705 Dielman at 9800 Page St. Louis, MO 63132

Mr. O'Donnell:

On behalf of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association (NHPA), please extend our thanks to Budweiser for their endorsement and name on a Horseshoe called "Budweiser" manufactured by the St. Pierre Mfg. Corp.

I would like very much to communicate with you or a representative from Budweiser concerning any possible future plans between the NHPA and Budweiser endorsing special horseshoe tournaments around the country and/or the annual NHPA World Horseshoe Tournament. I would come to St. Louis if necessary. I am confident Budweiser and horseshoes can and will be a winning team.

I would appreciate hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Wally Shipley President, NHPA

CONGRATULATIONS TO LEO AND EVA MCGRATH WHO CELEBRATED THEIR 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY ON JANUARY 24, 1980

Have you noticed or seen the NHPA logo we are now using? It's like many other new sport logos. Ours shoes a pitcher throwing a horseshoe. Thank you, Ed Yankowski, Regional Director of Wisconsin, for the design.

Our new memo pads were suggested by Regional Director Archie Roach of Texas. Thanks, Arch.

Thanks to PM Magazine Executive Producer, Andrew Schorr, for donating the tape they developed from their filming and interviews done at the 1979 World Tournament. Mr. Sol Berman was very persistant in asking for a copy. Thanks, Sol, for your efforts.

Bernard Herfurth will have a report in the April issue as the NHPA World Tournament advance man. He will be visiting Huntsville on his way to Florida the first part of February. Bernard will be reporting on the motels, restaurants, and other interests for those who will be attending.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE — (Continued)

I have been in touch with Ose Veesey of Huntsville and have written a letter to the parks and recreation. You can be assured it will be a great event.

I am deeply sorry Lorraine Thomas of New York received her NHPA Hall of Fame Plaque with a male figure. It is in the process of being corrected; also the certificates given to all present and past female inductees read "his" and will be corrected to read "her" for the female inductees. SORRY!

Three NHPA elected offices are again up for re-election at the 1980 Convention. Those offices are Secretary-Treasurer, 2nd Vice President and the 4th Vice President. The present officers, as you know, are Donnie Roberts of Ohio, John Rademacher of Florida, and Bonnie Seibold of Indiana.

At the time of this writing I have recieved confirmation that Seibold and Roberts are seeking re-election for another two year term. They both have my 100% support for another term. In my opinion, these two officers are as devoted to our sport as anyone can find. I will inform you of Rademacher's intentions later.

I would suggest all candidates for office publish their intensions in the digest by or before the May issue in fairness to the membership delegates.

NHPA SANCTIONED LEAGUE & CLUB PROGRAM REPORT By Russell Gadoury

On August 5, 1979, at the World Tournament I was honored with the Arch Stokes Memorial Trophy, given annually to the person "Who has contributed the most to horseshoes in the past year." This is an honor I will always cherish. I wish to express thanks to three groups of people. First, the NHPA Executive Council for thinking I was worthy of this award. Secondly, the delegates at the 1979 convention who had the foresight to approve the Sanctioned League & Club program. Finally, and most importantly, the many members of all the leagues around the country who showed such interest in an response to the program. Without your enthusiastic participation the program would have been just another great idea that fizzled. As it is, we may at last be seeing the long-sought rapid growth in the NHPA.

A fourth group of people get my thanks and appreciation. Those are all the league directors and secretaries. You have been most cooperative with my many requests. It was my pleasure to meet and talk with many of you at the World Tournament. And I thank you for the many suggestions. Working together I am confident this program will get even better.

I'm sure many of you are wondering just how successful the program has been. Let me lay a few highly revealing statistics on you. The following table compares 1978 (the first year) and 1979 participation in the Sanctioned League and Club program.

| | 1978 | 1979 | Increase | |
|---------------------------------------|------|-------|----------|--------|
| Number of States | 8 | 20 | 12 | (150%) |
| Number of clubs or local associations | 13 | 41 | 28 | (215%) |
| Number of leagues in clubs | 24 | 82 | 58 | (242%) |
| Full NHPA card holders | 150 | 485 | 335 | (223%) |
| League card holders | 656 | 1672 | 1016 | (155%) |
| Total member participation | 806 | *2157 | 1351 | (168%) |

^{*}Includes some duplication where players pitched in more than one club.

Not bad for the first two years. As always, the greatest problem is getting out the word. Part of the "word" is the Sanctioned Club/League Guide, which explains all aspects of the program. Very shortly we will have a new editon of the Guide. We hope to add some material on how to form leagues and how to compute and use handicaps.

Also within a very short while I will be announcing the top league pitchers in several categories. You will be seeing a few well-known names in the Average and High Game categories, and perhaps a few not so well-known. But in the High Game over Average categories you will see some eye-popping scores by lesser known players, players whom I believe form the backbone of any league or club activity.

If anyone has questions about the program, how to form a league, or any league related matter, do not hesitate to write. My address is: Russell Gadoury, NHPA League Coordinator, 44 Edward Rd., Watertown, Mass. 02172.



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SUGGESTED NEW FORMAT FOR MEN'S DIVISION IN W.T.

By Russell Gadoury and Ed Domey, Mass.

The World Tournament proposed format contained here has several advantages.

84.2% Average

- Qualifying is reduced to managable proportions. Specifically, qualify only for Championship Class and set minimum average restrictions.
- 2. The Mens' championshp class starts large enough to include all worthy contenders.
- 3. The tournament will build to a climax, with the championship being decided in the last game on the last day.
- 4. The use of ringer averages determined by performances in "designated" tournaments around the country will build up interest in those tournaments.
- 5. The averages from those tournaments can be used not only for seeding the in W.T. but for national ranking of all pitchers, with the potential for developing a suitable awards program.
- 6. Players whose averages do not meet the minimum set for qualifying for the championship class, and the successful qualifiers, will pitch in the extra classes. They will be placed by their averages, not qualifying scores.

REQUIREMENTS: A means of obtaining reliable ringer percentages. Having the averages available at tournament time. This can be done by computer, so long as averages from "designated" tournaments are submitted timely.

FORMAT OF TOURNAMENT: The championship class starts with a field of 96 players. Sixty of the players will be seeded without qualifying on the basis of their averages from designated tournaments. The remaining 36 players will be taken from 200-shoe qualifying scores. To attempt qualifying, a player must have a ringer average of 60 percent or greater. The successful qualifiers will be seeded by ringer average, not qualifying score.

The format features round-robin group play through the first four days. About half the players are eliminated from the championship flight each day. On the final day eight players

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are left, and match play is used for elimination. The two players left will pitch a best 2 of 3 for

the championship.

Seeding will be by ringer average. In the first round seeding is by established average. In second and succeeding rounds seeding is by cumulative average in tournament thus far. On first day the top 12 pitchers are nubmer 1 seed in their groups, next 12 averages are number 2, and so on. On following days the same method of seeding will be followed.

At the start of each round the players have no wins or losses, only an entering or cumulative average. Wins and losses are not carried forward for purposes of arranging the classes. Minor shuffling of the seedings should eliminate most repeat games against the same player.

This format makes provision for additional pitching by those who are eliminated after each

round.

All games will be 50 points.

Other advantages. 1. No forfeit problems and changing wins and losses. Drop player to lowest position in his group only. 2. Advance entries accepted so a lot of averages can be verified in advance. 3. Schedule lower classes early (35-40% pitches on first Friday, etc.) as an example. Players can show up one day ahead, pitch, and leave if they want to.

PLAYING THE TOURNAMENT:

DAY 1: The 96 men in the championship class will be placed in 12 groups of 8 men. Each group plays round robin. 1st thru 4th place in each group advances to second round of championship (ties in group broken by percentage in that group). 5th and 6th place in each group will form Class A5 and will play a combination of round robin and match play or, if preferred, only an additional round robin. They will finish 49-72 in the tournament. 7th and 8th place finishers will form Class A6, also play round robin, for places 73-96 in championship.

The first day will require morning and evening rounds. Groups containing #1 thru #6

average will pitch in evening.

DAY 2: The 48 top pitchers from Day 1 will form 6 groups of 8 men, seeded by averages on first day, and play round robin. Top half from each group will advance to the third round. Bottom half (5th - 8th) will form Class A4 and play round robin and/or match play to determine order of finish for places 25-48.

DAY 3: The top 24 pitchers will form 4 groups of 6 players and play a round robin. Top 3 in each group will advance to 4th round. Bottom half will form Class A3 and play round robin

and/or match play for places 13-24.

DAY 4: The remaining 12 players will form 2 group of 6 and play round robin. Top 4 from each group will advance to final round. The eliminated four players will form Class A2 and

play match games for places 9-12.

DAY 5: The remaining 8 players will play match game eliminations. #1 average plays #8, #2 plays #7, and so on. The losers of this first round are placed 5-8 in tournament, by overall percentage or by overall wins and losses. The remaining four players play match games, #1 average vs #4, #2 vs #3 average. The two winners play off for the championship, best 2 of 3 games. The losers of round 2 play one game for 3rd and 4th place.

FINAL STANDINGS: The schematic shows match play for finalists in A3-A6. This match play could be dispensed with and the order of finish (13-24, 25-48, 49-72, 73-96) determined by overall record (wins and losses) in the tournament of all players within each class (A3, A4, A5, A6), with ties broken by cumulative percentage. If there is no match play there would be no Class A2 and the others would be renumbered A2-A5 inclusive.

Cash prizes would be distributed throughout the 96 positions.

QUALIFYING PROCEDURES: As noted on page 1, the only qualifying will be for places 61-96 in the championship flight. Players must have a legimitate 60 percent average or higher to attempt qualifying. All lower average entrants and the unsuccessful qualifiers will be placed in extra groups on the basis of their ringer averages. Since there will be a lot of "hair splitting" on who is in which extra class, we suggest the classes be numbered instead of lettered.

USE OF DESIGNATED TOURNAMENTS TO DETERMINE AND ESTABLISH ENTERING RINGER PERCENTAGE: The principle objection to using percentages to class players has been that some parts of the country have better playing conditions than others. We maintain that these inequalities, alleged or real, are not as significant as the inequities of the

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present qualifying procedures.

How can reliable percentages be determined? We propose the use of NHPA "designated" tournaments, perhaps called "National Qualifying Tournaments." These tournaments can be the previous W.T., state championships, any sanctioned open tournament, and significant closed tournaments.

A requirement for a tournament being considered a "designated" tournament shall be that the results must be sent to national headquarters in a timely fashion for entering into a computer. The computer tabulations must be available at the W.T. site for verification of each entrant's percentage.

Use of "designated" tournaments will help interest in the W.T., be good advertising for those tournaments, will encourage more tournaments to be sanctioned, and boost entries in those tournaments.

To encourage local tournaments the NHPA might consider token support of \$10 or so to defray extra expense and time for the special reporting.

Some parts of the country do not sanction many, if any, of their tournaments. If it is made known that one must establish averages only from sanctioned tournaments, there may be increased pressure brought to bear by players in the area to get those tournaments sanctioned. As suggested earlier, national ranking of players and possible awards programs might develop from the reporting of results. High games over average and most improved player awards are just two of the possibilities.

WHAT PERCENTAGE TO USE — Several Formulas Are Possible

- 1. Player could use the average of his best three tournaments since the last W.T. up thru June 30 of the present year. The previous W.T. can be one of the three tournaments. The number of shoes and ringers in each of the three highest tournaments need not be counted, just the mean of the three averages. Or, use the total shoes and ringers from the three highest tournaments.
- 2. Because local people who have not played in tournaments like to enter, a local ''qualifying'' tournament can be held the previous weekend, limiting entries to a 400 mile radius of the W.T. site.
- 3. Occasionally a player no one ever heard of wants to pitch. Permit these people to qualify, but they must hit 500 or higher to make Class A. We take the position that the W.T. is an NHPA sponsored event and that the NHPA can set its own rules of eligibility for entering, including player support of local tournaments.

OTHER DIVISION IN WORLD TOURNAMENT: The same procedures can be used for the other divisions—Women, Seniors, Intermediates, and Juniors. The greatest weakness would be juniors, because many of them improve so fast, Walter Ray Williams in his first year being a case in point. In actuality, qualifying the other divisions does not take much time, and it could be done while some men's classes are pitching competitively.

CHANGING THE PRESENT CONSTITUTION TO PERMIT THIS FORMAT: Our present constitution does not state that championship classes must be a complete round robin, nor does it state that all entrants must qualify 200 shoes. Therefore, minor adjustments only are needed. There would be a need to eliminate reference to Class B.

FORM FOR REPORTING DESIGNATED TOURNAMENT RESULTS

| Tournament Name | | | Sanc. No | | Date Held | |
|-----------------|--------------|---------------|----------|-------|-----------|--------------|
| NHPA CARD | LAST NAME | FIRST NAME | RING. | SHOES | PCT. | HIGH GAME |
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SCHEMATIC OF PROPOSED WORLD TOURNAMENT FORMAT

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(This variant presumes 24 courts available. Plan can be modified for a lesser number) DAY 2 (48 players) DAY 1 (96 players) DAY 3(24 players) DAY 4 (12 players) Championship flight Championship flight Championship flight Championship flight 6 groups of 8 12 groups of 8 4 groups of 6 2 groups of 6 Group 1 Group 1 Group 1 Group 1 Top 4 each group advance Top 4 each group Top 4 each group Top 3 each advance to 2nd advance to 3rd group advance Bottom 2 each group round (seed by round (seed by form Class A2 and percentage in percentage in play match games 1st round) both rounds) 4th - 6th place finishers same as A3 finalists form Class A3. Two groups 5th - 8th place finishers 9 of 6. 1st & 2nd place form Class A4 10 each group play off match 11 Classes A4, A5, A6 form games. #1 group 1 vs 4 groups of 6 players 12 #2 group 2 and vice versa. Group 1 Winners play winners. 7th & 8th place finishers Losers play losers form Class A6. 5th & 6th place finishers -> form Class A5 Winners of each of Class A6 place 73-96 4 groups play match Class A5 place 49-72 game elimination #1% vs #4% Class A4 place 25-48

#2% vs #3%

Winners play winners.

Losers play losers.

(one game matches)

Class A6 place 73-96
Class A5 place 49-72
Class A4 place 25-48
Class A3 place 13-24
Class A2 place 9-12
Championship finalists place 5-8 based on overall record in tournament (wins & losses)
1st thru 4th based on results of Round 3

DAY 5 (8 players)

Championship flight

Match play elimination

Round 1 (8 players left)

#1% vs #8%

#2% vs #7%

#3% vs #6%

#4% vs #5%

Round 2 (4 players left)

#1% vs #4%

#2% vs #3%

Round 3

Winners of Round 2 play

off best 2 of 3 games

for championship.

Losers of Round 2 play

single game for 3rd &

4th place

ORCHIDS TO JOHN WALKER OF TENNESSEE

John Walker, a well-known horseshoe pitcher and teacher in Jefferson City, Tennessee should be commended, Jack Springer Recreation Director in Statesville, North Carolina told the news digest. Walker as a friend of horseshoes contributed \$150.00 to help finance the 1979 World Horseshoe Tournament held in Statesville. Walker has pitched several times in horseshoe tournaments in Statesville and we thought it would be good to let other horseshoe pitchers know what John Walker had done to help the 1979 World Horseshoe Tournament.

PROGRESS REPORT — PROMOTION AND PUBLICITY

By Sol Berman, Chairman

Florida has found an excellent way of promoting and publicizing horseshoes. They run small adds or notices in their newspapers. The Miami Herald ran the following notice under Other Sports.

Horseshoes — At Lummus Park, 401 NW 3rd St., Mon., Wed., Fri. 1-3 p.m. — Sat. & Sun. 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Call Tony Whittle, 573-1653.

The Clearwater Newspaper ran the following notice under Club Calendar — Recreation. Horseshoes — 1:30 p.m. Mon., Wed., Fri., Seminole Horseshoe Club 7255 113th St. N., 1 p.m. Tues., Thur., Sat., Clearwater Horseshoe Club, Ed Wright Park, Greenwood and Lakewood, Clearwater, Florida.

Diversion Magazine's editor Steve Birnbaum has given Ry Bongartz the assignment of writing an article about horseshoes. Arrangements are being made for him to visit Heritage Recreation Center and St. Pierre Mfg. Company.

O'Donnell Enterprises will kick off their promotion and publicity campaign at the Sporting Goods Show in Chicago Feb. 7-14, 1980 for Anheuser Busch, Inc. and St. Pierre Mfg. Co.

Channel 3-PM Magazine film "The Horseshoe Story" was taped during the 1979 Tournament in Statesville, N.C. and will be available in the near future. Over half-a-million viewers of WBTV Charlotte N.C. saw the film in N.C., S.C., and parts of Virginia and Tennessee.

"ADVANCE MAN" NEWS

(1980 HUNTSVILLE WORLD TOURNAMENT)

I have been instructed to visit Huntsville, the site of our 1980 World Tournament. I plan to be there during the week of February 11th, the results of my visit will be in the April Digest.

My report will concern only "off the court activities," this means the accomodations for our membership during their stay in Huntsville.

I will try to arrange "special rates" at motels, eating places, camping facilities, and places to go and things to do. I will also be concerned with nationwide and local publicity.

Besides meeting with Ose Veesey, who is in charge of the local tournament arrangements, I plan to meet with the mayor and other city officials.

Any member that should care to make early motel reservations before the April Digest is issued, should feel free to do so. The names of all the motels with any recommendations by me will be published along with the rates.

If our membership can get special rates at motels and eating places it could offset some of the costs of rising "gas prices".

After reading my report in April, if yo have any questions concerning "off court activities," please feel free to write to me. Bernard Herfurth, 17 Fort Street, Northampton, MA 01060 for a prompt reply.

It is more than likely that after receiving the motel information that you will make your choice of reservations as in the past.

WILLIAMS TO DEFEND TITLE AT CALICO OPEN (CALIFORNIA)

The Calico Open tournament will be held March 28, 29, and 30 at Calico Ghost Town, Ghost Town Road, off Interstate 15, ten miles north of Barstow, California. It will be



sanctioned by the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association and starts Saturday, March 29 with Divisions A through K; Women and Junior Boys and Girls, and continues through Sunday, March 30 with Men's A and B Divisions.

Registration fee is \$3. \$300 plus all entry fees will be awarded. Entry fee for Division A is \$7, for Division B, \$2, remaining divisions require only registration fee. Pre-registration for horseshoe tournament by mail will be accepted, but MUST be postmarked by Wednesday, March 19. Information and registration for horseshoe tournament; contact Don V. Tucker, Regional Parks (714) 383-1912.

Other events are the Old Miner's Stew Cook-Off which begins Saturday, March 29 and is limited to 36 contestants. Entry fee is \$5. Judging starts 3 p.m. Additionally, the West Cost Tobacco Chewing and Spitting Championships will start Saturday and Sunday at 12 noon determining who can chew the most tobacco and spit it the farthest. For these events, contact Regional Parks Department, 825 East Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415. Other weekend activities include gunfight skits and country and western dancing on Saturday evening at 7 p.m.

SUBJECT — HORSESHOES AND INFLATION

I am sure that you horseshoe players are just as tired of finding price increases every time you go to buy something as I am. In view of this feeling I have decided to do my small bit to help stall inflation by keeping my 1980 prices the same as they were in 1978 and 1979, by absorbing a recent increase in cost.

So, call or write Stan the man from Ohio with Ohio's for those Ohio O's and Pro's and we'll fight this inflation thing together.

STANLEY J. MANKER — Box 214 — Lynchburg, Ohio 45142

MARCH PUBLICITY BULLETIN

By Bernard Herfurth

I receive requests from State Associations asking how their state can best help out by cooperating with the NHPA Publicity committee.

This will be the last summary of how the state associations can help.

Naturally, the object of our publicity is to make it a better known organized sport, and our aim is to get the thousands of "backyard players" into our organized sport. We also plan to introduce newcomers to the sport.

The sport must grow from the "grass roots." All State organizations should go all out to get

publicity for their tournaments and NHPA State League Programs.

It is suggested that each state have a "publicity worker" in the north, south, east, and west sections of their state. All tournament directors when awarding prizes should request that all winners give an account of their accomplishments to their local newspapers. Local newspapers are mostly interested in the results of local players. A member doesn't have to be a "talented writer" to submit a newspaper article.

They should simply make some notes concerning their participation and also of the tournament in general. The reporter will write it up in their own style of reporting. If a sports editor isn't interested in your article give it to a "local interest reporter," they are more apt to be looking for an article. For extra publicity for tournaments it is suggested that you get a "Public Figure' to give out the awards, sometime asking the reporter to do the job.

Try to get new activities started in areas of your state. You can offer no better program than the NHPA State League Program. In the past two years it has met with good success. As a means of getting "backyard players" together you could organize a strictly "novice tournament." During the tournament you could play to organize an NHPA State League program.

If there is any way that the States think that the NHPA committees could help out the state's publicity, please write the committee chairman, Bernard Herfurth, 17 Fort Street, Northampton, MA 01060. To date, many states have offered to cooperate with the NHPA committee.

When Wally Shipley and the executive council decide how the committee can help from the

"Budweiser and Horseshoe Promotion, each state will be notified.

This year will be our first "National Pitch Horseshoes for Health" Week which will be held during "Championship Week" of the 1980 Huntsville World Tournament. Suggestions on how to cooperate will be sent to each state for hopeful full participation.

In conclusion let me mention again to try to get publicity via "Radio Talk Shows."

I would appreciate getting a postcard from any member that boasts our sport by putting an "NHPA Auto Plate" on their car. If your state requires only a rear plate, it could go on the front end or perhaps on the right side of your rear window where it wouldn't obstruct vision.

The NHPA will be most grateful to the states that cooperate with their publicity committee.

For NHPA State League Information write - Russell Gadoury, League Coordinator, 44 Edward Drive, Watertown, MA 02172.

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COVER PICTURE STORY ...

ALABAMA SPEAKS TO THE JUNIORS

By Gary Veesey

This letter is written to the Junior boys and girls who may or may not be interested in the sport of horseshoe pitching. Don't stay home this year just because you don't pitch.

My opinion of the game is that it is fun, challenging and sometimes just plain boring. It does offer me an opportunity to meet other young people, go new places, see different parts of the country and unravel while the "old folks" enjoy themselves at the courts. I do not want to imply that I think this is an "old folks" game, on the contrary, I think the youth should be in there with every thread of energy they can muster for it is a very physical sport and certainly requires the concentration that very few sports require.

This brings me to the real reason I am writing. I would like to personally invite all of you to Huntsville. We are trying to plan for the youth as has never been don before.

Just to list a few things that appeal to the youth from five years and up.

- 1. Roller Skate-Disco and other just minutes (walking) distance from the courts. 2 rinks.
- 2. Skate Board Park 1/2 mile from the courts.
- 3. Bowling Alleys (4) within five minutes of most any point in town.
- 4. Natatorium Olympic outdoor pool with roll back roof 1/4 mile.
- 5. Paddle Boats 200 feet from the courts.
- 6. Sail Boats at the Natatorium.
- 7. Kiddle Land Rides and Concessions 100 yards from the courts.
- 8. Ice Skating five minutes from courts.
- 9. Wave Making Pool go and spend the day 30 minute ride from Huntsville, also beach and other swimming, bike rides and ice skating, etc.
- 10. Alabama Space and Rocket Center a full day of entertainment.
- Frisbie courts, tennis, handball, basketball, softball are all part of the park facilities and will be available.

If you have been to the world tournament and became bored and wanted to leave early, no problem this year, so pack your skates, rackets, swim suits, track shoes, bowling balls and your skills and come to Huntsville — I assure you, you will have a good time.

BOB GRAHAM TAKES CONROE, TEXAS INVITATIONAL

Bob Graham won the first Conroe Invitational but not without being pushed by Ed McFarland who finished in second place. Their final game went 136 sets with Graham hitting 87% and McFarland tossing 78.9%. (NO DATE SUPPLIED).

CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS — Bob Graham, 5-1-74.1; Ed McFarland, 3-3-67.8; George Luketic, 3-3-62.5; Jim Woodson, 2-4-59.4.

OXFORD HILLS, MAINE OPEN WON BY BRIAN SIMMONS

CLASS A — Brian Simmons, 8-1-62.2; Joe Merritt, 7-2-57.5; Richard Hastings, 6-3-49.0; O. Cushman, 6-3-47.8; Amos Whitaker, 5-4-52.8; Carl York, 5-4-51.6; Sam Raymond, 3-6-39.8; Clyde Hewett, 2-7-43.0; Robert Harriman, 2-7-40.8; Dwight MacVane, 1-8-33.8.

CLASS B — Brian Smith, 8-1-54.4; Rick Fife, 8-1-38.3; Pat Gallant, 6-3-36.7; Stan Bisbee, 6-3-34.4; Bob Dorn, 5-4-34.5; Will Havey, 5-4-33.0; Rick O'Brian, 4-5-35.7; George LeBoudair, Jr., 2-7-31.9; Charlie Hanson, 1-8-18.1.

CLASS C — David Baillargeon, 7-2-23.4; Floyd Smith, 6-3-29.4; George LeBoudais, Sr., 6-3-25.8; Bryce York, 6-3-23.9; Alvin Raitto, 5-4-22.8; Kenneth Libby, 5-4-20.2; Roger Bolduc, 5-4-20.1; Don Fales, 3-6-14.2; William Files, 2-7-20.7.

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STEINFELDT WINS FLORIDA STATE OPEN AT ORLANDO. FLA.

On a chilly December 1, Carl Steinfeldt coasted to an easy victory to take the 1979 Florida State Tournament at Orlando. With six wins and no losses, Carl posted an 80.5% ringer average and a high game of 88.6%. Steinfeldt's only threat was Canadian Ken Drury who placed second with a 4-2 record, shooting 67.5 ringers for the day. Defending Champion John Rademacher finished sixth with a 1-5 win/loss record. Tournament details follows:

CLASS A - Carl Steinfeldt, Clearwater, 6-0-80.5; Ken Drury, Ontario, 4-2-67.5; Richard Ferguson, Sarasota, 3-3-62.5; Levi Miller, Sarasota, 3-3-57.1; Duaine Whitmer, Winter Haven, 3-3-56.4; John Rademacher, 1-5-56.6; Ralph Cullum, Inverness, 1-5-56.9.

CLASS B - Marvin Broughton, Tampa, 5-1-55.6; Dwight Thatcher, Brooksville, 5-1-53.2; Jim Peterson, 3-3-51.6; Ken Reeb, Winter Haven, 3-3-47.6; R. Widdersheim, 2-4-43.0; Chas. Hilton, Miami, 2-4-42.5; Paul Scheub, Sarasota, 1-5-40.7.

CLASS C — Harry Ellenberger, Chicora, PA, 7-0-47.0; Henry Mullet, Sarasota, 6-1-44.7; Dick Sample, Pensacola, 5-2-49.7; Red Benton, Plant City, 4-3-37.2; Pat Gallant, St. Cloud, 2-5-37.0; M. Gillespie, Sarasota, 2-5-36.5; Chas. Brown, Winter Haven, 26.1.

CLASS D — Marvin Grubb, Titusville, 5-1-44.4; Rene-Rodrigue, Ft. Lauderdale, 4-2-39.0; Pat O'Toole, Bradenton, 4-2-38.2; Chas. Warner, Winter Springs, 3-3-35.1; Joe Freyberger, Orlando, 3-3-33.8; Max Jaguette, Sebring, 2-4-31.5; Dick Senger, Sebring, 0-6-33.2.

CLASS E — Luther Adams, Titusville, 5-1-37.0; Clyde Falk, Orlando, 4-2-30.6; Joe West, Haines City, 3-3-33.6; Andy Anderson, 3-3-31.7; Roger Sutor, Tampa, 3-3-31.2; Chet Larson, St. Cloud, 3-3-28.1; Jim Trevarthen, New Smyrna Beach, 0-6-22.9.

CLASS F — Chuck Sample, Pensacola, 6-1-26.2; Lee Davis, Seminole, 5-2-25.0; Norm Gaseau, Clearwater, 5-2-22.9; Harold Halstead, Winter Haven, 4-3-22.4; Wm. Wallschlaeger, Winter Springs, 4-3-22.0; Ralph Rollins, Brooksville, 3-4-25.1; Joel Berrall, Orlando, 1-6-20.3; Robert Kelley, Winter Haven, 0-7-12.9.

ATTENTION-ALL 1980 NHPA MEMBERS AND OTHERS

Dear NHPA Member:

Thank you for your NHPA Membership. You are the NHPA. The NHPA consists of the executive Council, Regional Directors, Special Committees, State Officers, Club Officers, and our Membership. You are an important member of the NHPA.

The NHPA is organized to work with the State organizations to make ours a well-organized

sport. The two organizations are working in the best interest of our sport.

The NHPA will work with sponsors in the best interest in promoting our sport. The NHPA will work to increase in numbers the membership of our organization. The NHPA will work with the NHPA State League Program to increase our future membership. The NHPA will work to promote the first annual "National 'Pitch Horseshoes For Health' Week", which will be held during "Championship Week" of the 1980 Huntsville World Tournament. The NHPA will work to make the annual World Tournament more interesting and enjoyable.

If any member ever feels that he or she is not given proper consideration, they can bring their

grievance to their State Officers or Regional Directors.

What can an NHPA member do for the sport and the organization? Primarily a member is interested in pitching. As a player, members should plan to be a contestant in as many tournaments as possible. The tournaments need your support. Also plan to participate in an NHPA State League Club. If your area has no such League, write for information concerning how to form such a club and Legue. Write russell Gadoury, 44 Edward Road, Watertown, Mass. 02172, the NHPA State League Coordinator under Donnie Roberts. He will give you prompt information.

When you take part in a tournament, ask the Director if you can be of assistance when not playing. Members are needed to help in scoring, attending courts and with paperwork. Volunteer to help.

It always seems that the "Work Load" falls on a certain few. In time they get tired and want assistance in running future tournaments. Tournaments have been known to be phased out because of lack of cooperation from the membership.

Your participation in local tournaments is of local interest to your newspaper. Give your newspaper the results of your experience. It's an accomplishment to finish in the first three sports in any class. Keep your results in your newspaper. Please send a "News-Clipping" of all write-ups to the NHPA Publicity Committee Chairman, Bernard Herfurth, 17 Fort Street, Northampton, Mass. 01060.

During the coming season try to get at least one person interested in our sport as a participant. It should be relatively easier than in the past with our sport promising to get Nation-Wide publicity.

Thanks in advance for your hopeful cooperation in making our sport better known.

President, Wally Shipley — Secretary/Treasurer, Donnie Roberts — First Vice-President, Leo McGrath — Second Vice-President, John Rademacher — Third Vice-President, Earl Winston — Fourth Vice-President, Bonnie Seibold — Chairman, Regional Directors, Claude White — Chairman, Publicity, Bernard Herfurth.

HATTON TOPS IN LAKESIDE OPEN AT SAN ANTONIO, TEX.

CLASS A — Rod Hatton, 7-0-54.2; Jeff Gaston, 5-2-45.0; Stan Smith, 5-2-39.9; Jim Woodson, 4-3-46.6; Hal Mineer, 3-4-43.2; Jesse Brown, 3-4-34.5; Mason Watkins, 1-6-28.7; Lloyd McCaughey, 0-7-18.2.

CLASS B — LLoyd Viles, 7-0-36.8; Virgil Callow, 6-1-28.9; Perry Craigmyle, 5-2-31.0; Terry Cook, 3-4-28.7; Bobby Williams, 2-5-24.3; Jack Morrell, 2-5-23.4; Bob Alexander, 2-5-22.6; Jack Smith, 1-6-22.5.

CLASS C — Cliff Jenschke, 7-1-32.6; Bill Baab, 6-2-27.1; terrell Wilkinson, 4-3-27.7; Mason Watkins, 4-3-25.9; Bob Binge, 4-3-20.1; Dick Sampson, 3-4-25.5; Lake Parlett, 1-6-17.9; Lloyd McCaughey, 0-7-17.3.

CLASS D — Andy Anderson, 8-2-32.4; Ray Kniepkamp, 7-3-29.6; Joey Bolner, 6-3-31.0; Bob Emerson, 6-3-24.1; Scotty Roberds, 5-3-26.2; Jerry Canauit, 3-5-21.3; Lee Brown, 2-6-18.5; Paul Kirby, 2-6-17.6; John McCaleb, 0-8-6.4.

CLASS E — Charlie Evilsier, 8-1-19.0; Gene Koepke, 7-2-11.8; Charley Moore, 5-3-14.1; Pat Emerson, 5-3-14.1; Eric Amundson, 4-4-14.3; Louis Shelton, 3-5-10.3; John Adams, Jr., 2-6-16.4; Richard Koepke, 2-6-12.4; Jamie Partlow, 1-7-8.7.

CLASS F — Joe Girard, 3-1-14.4; C.A. McBrearty, 2-2-18.2; Pat Emerson, 2-2-14.0; Jack Babb, 2-2-13.8; Richard Koepke, 1-3-8.4.

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ED DOMEY STARTS DECADE WITH JANUARY THAW WIN

Oh Boy, has Heritage Recreation Center got news for you this month. We had a Saturday night "happening." We had Reggie Ploof hitting 50% in a game. We had Bill MacIntyre asking "What does a guy have to do to make "A" around here, being told, and then going out and averaging 70%, four percent higher than his remarkable performance of last March. And much more. Here it is.

Last month we had a little fun at Ed Domey's expense. I am happy to report that the "choker of the century" has made a remarkable comeback. Ed is now the first "hero of the decade," winning the January Thaw tournament in Sutton, Mass. Not only that, in the Tues-

day count-all league, at 100% handicap, Ed Domey won the first half.

The odds of a pitcher of Ed's calibre winning a handicap league are about the same as Reggie Ploof pitching 50% game or Russ Gadoury hitting 89.3%. Against all those odds, in a two-week time span, all three things happened. To stretch coincidence even further, both Ploof's and Gadoury's games were 28 shoe affairs. **Incredible**, you say. Well, how about this, then? Gadoury's game was pitched against Paul Domey. At the same time that game was being played Paul's uncle, Bob Domey, was pitching second high game of the tournament, 87.9%, against, you guessed, it, Ed Domey. This was right after Ed had tossed an 87.5.

Oh yes. The "happening". A few weeks ago Ed Domey invited the Gadoury's Joe Schultz, and Art Tyson out to dinner, in appreciation of long time support and help. Reservations for six were made for Saturday night. By Tuesday, part of the New Jersey and New York contingents had called to say they were coming to pitch. So naturally, they were invited to come along to the dinner, dutch though, and the restaurant was called to check if there would be room. "No problem." On Saturday, Ed had to call again to see if they could handle 23! From Mass., NJ, NY, and Vermont. Practically the whole who's who of the east coast horseshoe was there. We ate all the baked potatoes. The prime rib roast was almost as good as the January

JANUARY THAW — (Continued)

Thaw roast beef prizes. All in all, one of the memorable moments of horseshoes, but typical of the special quality of our sport and the people in it.

Getting back to the tournament, Ed Domey and Bill MacIntyre won Classes 1 & 2, as described earlier. Fran Norman was Class 3 winner. Mel Merritt won Class 4 with two playoff wins. Runnerup was Jim Furman, and therein lies another tale. Jim was so nervous early in the tournament that he was literally shaking, and he looked it. Under those condititions, how he even managed to get into a playoff situation, let along with the first game, is something I'll never figure out.

Most of the fun of horseshoes is coming from behind. That's what Bill Dickinson did in Class 5 playoff. Unfortunately, no one told Bill that it is even more fun to win. So Bill Dupont

pulled out the game and the championship.

In Class 6 there was a three-way dogfight at 4 wins, 3 losses. But Tom Henley stood above all that congestions at 7 and 0. Bill English defeated Harry Schricker in a Class 7 playoff, both pitchers going one percent over their day's averages. Bill ripped off a fantastic 59.4% game earlier. Class 8 was practically a New Hampshire convention and George Blais was unanimously elected to first place.

A four-way knot in Class 9 was unraveled in favor of Dennis Lebendick. It was in the second round of this class that Reggie Ploof shook the pillars of predictability by pitching 50%. Congratulations, Reggie. Ray Reekie won Class 10 by mopping up on Ray Towle (there's a pun there). Pat Reekie picked up another roast beef by defeating Vivian Deuster in the Women's class playoff. Last month we failed to report that Vivian pitched an 80% game.

Not much news left. Just that Heritage now has a video tape player and camera. Pitchers can now check out their delivery and get instant replay.

If all goes according to plan, the first Budweiser tournament will be held at Heritage in March.

CLASS 1 — Ed Domey, Ma., 6-1-74.4; Bob Domey, RI, 5-2-77.7; Kevin Hollister, VT, 5-2-75.6; Bill Kolb, NJ, 5-2-71.7; Joe Schultz, NY, 4-3-73.1; Art Tyson, NY, 3-4-67.5; Charlie Richardson, MA, 3-4-65.6; Bernard Herfurth, MA, 2-5-62.5; Charlie Bonani, MA, 1-6-59.2; Walt Deuster, NY, 1-6-57.0.

CLASS 2 — Bill MacIntyre, NJ, 7-0-70.8; Russell Gadoury, MA, 4-3-63.4; George Trabucchi, CT, 4-3-60.2; Paul Cormier, MA, 4-3-55.2; Ray Peloquin, MA, 4-3-50.0; Phil Zazzaro, NJ, 4-3-49.6; Pete Prouty, VT, 3-4-44.6; Ed Courville, MA, 2-5-52.3; Paul Domey, MA, 2-5-42.1; Dom Majewski, CT, 1-6-47.1.

CLASS 3 — Fran Norman, MA, 6-1-53.8; Joe Merritt, MA, 5-2-51.9; Orton Cushman, MA, 5-2-51.4; Ed Bodinski, MA, 5-2-49.4; Dick Shepard, MA, 3-4-50.0; Paul Dumont, MA, 3-4-47.3; Sam Raymond, NH, 1-6-46.6, Bob Deuster, NY, 0-7-41.1.

CLASS 4 — Mel Merritt, MA, 5-2-49.0; Jim Furman, NJ, 5-2-46.1; Greg Rutkowski, MA, 5-2-48.1; Bill White, MA, 4-3-48.1; Art Carson, NJ, 3-4-44.5; John Layman, MA, 2-5-45.9; Bill Knowles, MA, 2-5-40.7; JOe Pepi, MA, 2-5-35.3; Playoff: Furman, 37 (45%), Rutkowski, 21 (35%), Merritt, 35 (61.1%), Furman 21 (47.2%).

CLASS 5 — Bill Dupont, MA, 5-1-39.6; Bill Dickinson, MA, 5-1-44.6; Don Harrison, MA, 4-2-40.2; Ed Cote, MA, 2-4-35.1; Howard Stewart, MA, 1-5-32.4; Charlie Rutkowski, MA, 1-5-23.8.; Playoff Dupont, 37, Dickinson, 33.

CLASS 6 — Tom Henley, MA, 7-0-39.9; Ernest Levangie, MA, 4-3-35.5; Bill McMahon, MA, 4-3-35.1; Mike Desroches, MA, 4-3-34.5; Art Taylor, MA, 3-4-35.5; Andy Dominique, MA, 3-4-29.4; Earl Nash, MA, 2-5-32.0; Al Doucette, MA, 1-6-24.0.

CLASS 7 — Bill English, MA, 6-1-32.3; Harry Schricker, MA, 6-1-26.1; Red Cote, MA, 4-3-30.6; Rich O'Brien, MA, 3-4-27.9; Buddy Ploof, MA, 3-4-27.2; John Murphy, MA, 3-4-25.3; Ed Harrington, MA, 2-5-26.8; Hal Thomas, MA, 1-6-25.3. Playoff: English 36 (34.1%), Schricker, 18 (27.3%).

CLASS 8 — George Blais, NH, 7-0-34.8; Ed Snow, NH, 5-2-34.4; Norm Ricard, NH, 5-2-31.5; Warren Hall, NH, 4-3-29.5; Ray Thebodeau, NH, 4-3-28.7; Tony Nacewicz, MA, 3-4-26.8; Wally Vickers, MA, 3-4-26.3; Bart Sargent, MA, 3-4-23.8; Charlie Rutkowski, 1-6-16.7; Jim Styles, NH, 0-7-17.0.

CLASS 9 — Dennis Lebendick, NH, 5-2-27.7; Hank Labine, NH, 5-2-22.8; Reggis Ploof, MA, 5-2-27.2; John Miner, NH, 5-2-22.3; Steve Wentzell, MA, 4-3-20.3; Tom Courtney, MA, 3-4-24.0; Buddy Whitehouse, MA, 3-4-18.1; Jean Begin, MA, 2-5-21.6; Ken Thebodeau, NH, 2-5-18.8; Don Moreau, NH, 1-6-14.8; Playofff1, Labendick, 36 (30.0%), Miner, 10 (15.0%), 2: Labine 35 (20.3%), Ploof, 11 (17.6%), 3: Labendick, 36 (29.5%), Labine, 20 (18.1%).

CLASS 10 — Ray Reekle, MA, 5-2-17.6; Ray Towle, NH, 5-2-12.8; Paul St. Pierre, MA, 5-2-17.4; Micky McNeill, MA, 4-3-19.2; Chuck McNeill, MA, 4-3-15.3; Roger Beardsley, NH, 2-5-17.9; Frank King, NH, 2-5-10.5; Jim Stoll, MA, 1-6-11.1; Playoff: Towle 35 (16.8%), St. Pierre 25 (9.1%), Reekle 35 (20.0%), Towle, 29 (16.0%).

JANUARY THAW — (Continued)

WOMEN — Pat Reekie, MA, 5-1-46.0; Vivian Deuster, NY, 5-1-61.0; Barbara McNeill, MA, 4-2-38.6; Lisa Deuster, NY, 3-3-44.4; Marge Ouelette, NY, 2-4-19.0; Brenda McNeill, MA, 1-5-23.6; Gerry Begin, MA, 1-5-22.5; Playoff: Reekie 45 (52.0%), Deuster, 38 (62.0%).

CLASS Y DINNER — Ed & Anne Domey, Russ & Edith Gadoury, Art Tyson (who gave a toast to everyone and to the "Two Horseshoe Pitchers" present), Joe Schultz, Walt, Bob, Lisa & Vivian Deuster, Leo, Helen & Marge Ouelette, Walt Hooley, Art Carson, Bill Kolb, Phil Zazzaro, Bill MacIntyre, Kevin & future Judy Hollister, Tom Gaimaldi, Bill MacLeod, and one other.

STEINFELDT CAPTURES "B" HIVE AT CLEARWATER, FLORIDA

With 5 wins and no losses, former World Champion Carl Steinfeldt defeted Senior Canadian Champion Ken Drury to claim Champion Title in the "B" Hive Tournament held Nov. 10 in Clearwater. Steinfeldt threw 166 ringers out of 202 shoes for an 82% average for the day. In his high game, Carl threw 32 ringers out of 34 shoes for a 94% game. Drury beat Kentucky State Champ Jack Fahey to advance to a playoff spot against Steinfeldt. Fahey, who shot 70% ringers for the day, placed third. We were peased to have Leo McGrath, NHPA Vice President and Ellis Cobb, Digest Editor, in the audience.

CLASS A-1 — Carl Steinfeldt, Clearwater, 5-0-82.2; Marvin Richmond, MN, 4-1-61.1; Levi Miller, Sarasota, 3-2-63.2; Wm. Riley, Bradenton, 2-3-53.8; Richard Ferguson, Sarasota, 1-4-59.6; Dike Thatcher, Brooksville, 0-5-56.8.

CLASS A-2 — Ken Drury, Ontario, Canada, 4-1-58.9; Jack Fahey, Kentucky, 4-1-70.0; Joe Holland, Dunedin, 3-2-59.9; Chet Reel, New Port Richey, 2-3-55.3; Ken Reeb, Winter Haven, 1-4-56.5; Paul Scheub, Sarasota, 1-4-49.5 (Drury won playoff against Fahey).

Steinfeldt won Class A-1 - A-2 playoff against Drury.

CLASS B-1 — Mickey Broughton, Tampa, 5-0-58.2; Howard Lea, Bradenton, 4-1-53.4; Rex Swinson, Sarasota, 3-2-53.6; Chas. Howery, Clearwater, 2-3-48.7; Earle Morris, Lakeland, 1-4-50.4; Arthur Graves, Clearwater, 0-5-42.4.

CLASS B-2 — Gene Meyers, Clearwater, 5-0-55.5; Robt. Widdersheim, Clearwater, 3-2-52.3; Andy Doshna, Clearwater, 3-2-48.5; Walter House, Sarasota, 2-3-39.6; Hart Knutson, New Port Richey, 1-4-43.0; Wilber Rocke, Illinois, 1-4-35.7.

Mickey Broughton won Class B-1 - B-2 playoff against Gene Meyers.

CLASS C — Maurice Gillespie, Sarasota, 5-2-49.6; Ray Arthur, St. Petersburg, 4-3-45.9; Red Benton, Plant City, 4-3-45.5; Lloyd Freeman, Zephyrhills, 4-3-44.3; Richard Senger, Sebring, 4-3-39.9; Henry Mullet, Sarasota, 4-3-39.7; Marion Collins, Dunedin, 2-5-41.2; Phil Perkins, Clearwater, 1-6-33.3.

CLASS D — Earl Colgan, Illinois, 6-1-41.2; George Buskey, Clearwater, 5-2-43.4; Pat O'Toole, Bradenton, 4-3-45.8; Louis Haley, St. Pete, 4-3-39.6; Frank Stites, Bradenton, 3-4-38.9; Keith Lepard, OH, 3-4-38.7; Robt. Zimmerman, NY, 3-4-30.2; Geo. Fields, Largo, 26.4.

CLASS E — Roger Sutor, Tampa, 5-0-35.1; Earle Johnson, Bradenton, 4-1-34.5; Chris Miller, Sarasota, 2-3-33.4; Mike Povich, Seminole, 2-3-28.9; Jim Pelkey, Bradenton, 2-3-28.5; Wm. Whaley, Sarasota, 0-5-34.2.

CLASS F — Ron Deckard, Tampa, 5-0-36.3; Wm. Bauman, Ft. Meyers, 4-1-35.9; Norm Gaseau, Clearwater, 2-3-26.1; Lee Davis, Seminole, 2-3-24.3; Milt Myhre, Bradenton, 0-5-19.6.

ASHLAND RECREATION DEPARTMENT SCHEDULES TWO 1980 TOURNAMENTS

Lisa Mahood of the Ashland, Kentucky, Recreation Department announces that the City of Ashland is hosting two tournaments in 1980, both in Central Park, Ashland, Kentucky. These tournaments are open to all pitchers and she particularly hoped that pitchers from the tri-state area of Kentucky-Ohio-West Virginia will sign up. The Ashland Open will be held on May 17 and May 18, 1980. The Tri-State Fair and Regatta Classic will be held July 18, 19, and 20, 1980. Details can be obtained by calling or writing Lisa Mahood, Recreation Department, City Hall, Ashland, Kentucky 41101.



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WABASH VALLEY OPEN - LAFAYETTE, INDIANA

CLASS A: Mark Seibold, Huntington, 9-0-74.5; Clarence Bellman, Bremen, 6-3-75.6; Charley Fix, Boswell, 6-3-70.8; Bob May, Glenwood, 6-3-69.4; Brian Neff, OH, 6-3-69.2; LeRoy Rowe, Angola, 5-4-68.0; Bill Holland, Indianapolis, 3-6-65.7; Larry Griffin, Newport, 3-6-60.8; Don Claypool, Mellott, 1-8-52.7; John Shuck, Sharpsville, 0-9-59.6.

CLASS B — Norman Hager, Indianapolis, 6-1-61.2; Bob Sheppard, Rushville, 5-2-56.0; Wayne McClintock, Anderson, 4-3-55.1; Bob Moit, Indianapolis, 4-3-52.7; John Gall, Anderson, 3-4-56.4; Bob Pence, Lafayette, 3-4-46.4; Doyle Mink, Indianapolis, 2-5-48.9; Curly Seibold, Huntington, 1-6-47.5.

CLASS C — Lloyd Clergett, Monticello, 6-1-51.9; Bob Pence, Lafayette, 5-2-55.2; Vern Wagoner, Pine Village, 5-2-51.6; Fred Calvert, Waveland, 4-3-53.4; Al Bills Jr., Rushville, 4-3-49.0; Les Moore, Forest, 3-4-44.6; Lora Pearman, Newport, 1-6-41.2; Fred Draper, Delphi, Forfeit.

CLASS D — Harold Cadwallader, Lafayette, 6-1-47.4; Farres Roark, Lafayette, 6-1-44.9; (playoff). Glenn Whiteaker, Lafayette, 5-2-45.6; Brian O'Connor, Indianapolis, 3-4-41.6; Junior Guthrie, South Bend, 3-4-32.0; Grant Davis, Otterbein, 2-5-41.9; Tom Poindexter, Wolcott, 2-5-40.5; Everett Bowyer, Peru, 1-6-36.2.

CLASS E - Rain Out.

CLASS F — Don Spray, Frankfort, 6-1-35.8; Denny Zawierucha, 5-2-35.8; Max Gunyon, Frankfort, 4-3-35.8; Jim DeLashmit, Lafayette, 4-3-31.2; Martin Drummond, Perryville, 3-4-35.6; Wayne Draper, Brookston, 2-5-32.4; Bryon Jervis, Flora, 2-5-28.3; George DeHart, Lafayette, 2-5-25.9.

CLASS G - Rain Out.

CLASS H - Rain Out.

CLASS I — Byron Price, Huntington, 4-1-29.6; Bill Turner, 4-1-22.5; Mark Price, Wolcott, 4-1-26.5; (playoff). Charley Daniels, Waveland, 2-3-6.8; Al Bills, Sr., Rushville, 1-4-9.6.

WOMENS CLASS A - Rain Out.

WOMENS CLASS B - Rain Out.

JUNIORS CLASS A — Eric Kingma, Lafayette, 3-1-70.0; Terry Conrad, Rockville, 1-3-65.0.

JUNIORS CLASS B — Jeff Holloway, Jonesboro, 3-0-24.7; Amy Herring, Marion, 2-1-17.1; Eric Price, Wolcott, 1-2-27.1; Donnie Spray, Frankfort, 0-3-11.1.

STEINFELDT TOPS SEIBOLD IN CHIEF CHARLEY'S OPEN

Carl Steinfeldt displayed top pitching form in winning the Chief Charley's tournament over World Champion Mark Seibold on Dec. 8. The annual Clearwater event attracted a capacity crowd of horseshoe fans to greet Seibold on his first Florida tournament, along with Vice Mayor Wm. Nunamaker who presented Seibold with a "Key to the City of Clearwater." Seibold, who lost only to Steinfeldt, shot 75.5% ringers for the day. Winning all seven games, Steinfeldt tossed 82.9% ringers, with a high single game of 87.5%.

Kentucky State Champ Jack Fahey, finishing 3rd with a 5-2 record, shot a near perfect game of 21 ringers out of 22 shoes for 95.4% against Minnesota's Marvin Richmond, who placed 4th. Details are:

CLASS A — Carl Steinfeldt (now a legal resident of Clearwater, Fl) 7-0-82.9; Mark Seibold, Huntington, IN 6-1-75.5; Jack Fahey, Bradenton, 5-2-73.8; Marvin Richmond, MI, 3-4-63.4; Dick Ferguson, Sarasota, 3-4-59.5; Ken Drury, Ontario, Canada, 2-5-61.6; Levi Miller, Sarasota, 1-6-63.8; Chet Reel, Holiday, Fl., 1-6-54.2.

CLASS B — Joe Holland, Dunedin, 6-1-56.9; Howard Lea, Bradenton, 5-2-57.4; Ralph Cullum, Inverness, 4-3-54.9; Dwight Thatcher, Brooksville, 4-3-53.3; Gene Meyers, Clearwater, 3-4-53.8; Marvin Broughton, Tampa, 3-4-50.2; Swen Bowman, WI, 2-5-47.5; Ken Reeb, Winter Haven, 1-6-46.9.

CHIEF CHARLEY'S OPEN — (Continued)

CLASS C — Paul Scheub, Sarasota, 7-0-61.4; Rex Swinson, Sarasota, 5-2-53.4; Earle Morris, Lakeland, 4-3-50.9; R. Widdersheim, Clearwater, 3-4-43.6; Royce Wrucke, Bradenton, 2-5-42.3; Don Marx, Iowa, 1-6-42.1; Chas. Howery, Clearwater, 3-4-50.0; Ray Arthur, Seminole, 3-4-49.0.

CLASS D — Len LeBanco, Venice, 6-1-48.1; Walter House, Sarasota, 5-2-41.3; Henry Mullet, Sarasota, 4-3-47.0; Lloyd Freeman, Zephyrhills, 3-4-46.6; Andy Doshna, Clearwater, 3-4-46.3; Arthur Graves, Clearwater, 3-4-43.0; Rick Weigel, Largo, 3-4-36.1; Marion Collins, Dunedin, 1-6-38.0.

CLASS E — George Buskey, Clearwater, 7-0-48.3; Wilber Rocke, Sarasota, 6-1-50.7; Pat O'Toole, Bradenton, 5-2-41.1; M. Gillespie, Sarasota, 4-3-39.4; Dick Senger, Sebring, 3-4-34.1; Wm. Bauman, Ft. Meyers, 1-6-33.9; Ron Deckard, Tampa, 29.8; Red Benton, Plant City, 1-6-28.0.

CLASS F — Louis Haley, St. Petersburg, 4-1-46.1; Robert Fuller, Madeira Beach, 4-1-54.9; Joe Morgan, Bradenton, 2-3-40.7; Rick Weigel, Largo, 2-3-38.5; Earl Colgan, Bradenton, 2-3-34.8; Frank Stites, Bradenton, 1-4-38.3.

CLASS G — John Zehnder, Ruskin, 5-0-45.4; Phil Perkins, Clearwater, 4-1-38.1; Ed Scheutz, Bradenton, 3-2-28.6; Robt Zimmerman, Sarasota, 2-3-31.9; Earle Johnson, Bradenton, 1-4-28.4; George Fields, Forfeit.

CLASS H — Joe West, Haines City, 4-0-35.6; Roger Sutor, Tampa, 2-2-32.5; Mike Povich, Largo, 2-2-30.8; John Wortel, Bradenton, 2-2-30.5; Paul Swartz, Clearwater, 1-3-28.1; Jim Pelkey, Bradenton, 1-3-23.1.

CLASS I — Alex Gritske, Lecanto, 4-1-29.2; Lee Davis, Seminole, 3-2-27.6; Chas. Brown, Winter Haven, 3-2-24.7; Percy Wells, Clearwater, 3-2-21.0; John Horsley, Clearwater, 3-2-18.0; Ralph Rollins, Brooksville, 2-3-18.0; Neil Watson, St. Petersburg, 2-3-17.7.

CLASS J — Eli Miller, Dunnellon, 4-1-23.6; Paul Barrette, St. Petersburg, 4-1-21.1; Harold Halstead, Winter Haven, 4-1-17.4; Wm. Bensch, Clearwater, 2-3-17.0; Archie Carter, Bradenton, 1-4-8.9; Tom Keltner, Forfeit. NOTE: Eli Miller, winner of this class, is age 84 — a remarkable feat for a man so young at heart.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY OPEN-MAR. 15-16-GENOLA, MINNESOTA

The second annual St. Patrick's Day Open tournament will be held at the 18 indoor heated courts in the Preimesberger Arena at Genola, Minnesota on Saturday and Sunday, March 15 and 16. Entry fees for all players, men, women, girls and boys, will be \$15.00 per person, and should be sent to Henry Preimesberger, Rt. #2, (Genola) Pierz, Minnesota 56364. Phones 612-468-6638 and 612-468-2345 (Arena).

All classes will be 6 man and all 6 man classes with pitch 2 days — Saturday and Sunday — 5 games each day. There will be 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners. Prizes will be cash except for in-

dividuals who want trophies. Trophies will be available at the courts.

In case tournament has large amount of entries, tournament will start on Friday afternoon or evening with 8 man classes — Starting with low classes.

We will use State Recorded Percentages or our Recorded percentages. Any new entries must send in their current high percentage. Deadline is March 6th, 1980.

All games will be 50 shoe game. Tie games will be decided by four extra shoes until broken. Tie after round robin play will be decided by Ringer percent, except class A. Class A mens, women, and boys will be decided by a playoff game.

Those who drop out after tournament schedule is made up will forfeit their entry fee. Scorekeepers will be paid 25 cents per game, concessions indoors, overnight camper parking \$3.00 each night. Admission fee \$2.00 for 10 years and older.

PREIMESBERGER ARENA WINS MINN. STATE TOURISM AWARD

By Bob Wright - Morrison County Record

Delores Preimesberger cried a little when she was informed that her husband, Henry, was to be honored for his contribution to the tourism industry in Minnesota, and small wonder. There are 400 members in the 12 County Heartland Region of the Minnesota Regional Tourism Council (MRTC), and only one of the 400 was called to the speakers rostrum during an awards luncheon in the Bloomington, Minn. Registry Hotel. That one was Henry Preimesberger of Genola, Minnesota, population 97.

The occasion was the annual convention of the Minnesota Regional Tourism Council held at the Registry over a several day period and highlighted by that final event, the awards luncheon. The award presented to Henry, and of course, Delores, too, was made even more dramatic in the light of other awards in other Regions going to cities like Duluth, and Minneapolis. It's not likely most of the nearly 200 guests in attendance even knew where "Genola" is located, but they do now. Now they know it is the home of the world's largest indoor horseshoe pitching facility, permanent home of the Minnesota State Horseshoe Pitching Tournament, and site of the auspicious 1981 World Tournament.

NORTH CALIFORNIA SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP TO MC BRIDE

Beautiful Golden Gate Park was the setting for Sacramento's Mate McBride, as the smooth Sacramento veteran won the No. California Senior title by edging teammate Monte Latino in a hard fought playoff game 51-40.

Mate, the 1979 California Class B Champ, defeated the two top Class AA ringermen, Jack Saymour and Latino, before losing to Sonoma's Bob Mauzey in the fifth game. Meanwhile, Seymour and Latino battled down to the last pitch before Latino put on a double to win 51-48 and eliminate Seymour, the 1978 Champ, from contention. Jack pitched the high game of the tournament; 76.7%, and had a high percentage for the day of 63.5%.

E.T. Wahweotten of the Sonoma Country Club came back strong in the consolation groups' last 3 games after his loss to Lou Gayet in the second round, to edge out Joe Zoglman in the final game and came home a winner. Zoglman had the best percentage for the group, however, 37% and also the high game; 50%.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Mate McBride, Sac., 5-1-60.0; Monte Latino, Sac, 4-2-61.4; Jack Seymour, G.G., 3-2-63.5; Bob Mauzey, Sono., 3-2-57.9; Bob Hanlon, Sono., 1-4-50.6; George Greeott, Sono., 0-5-39.0.

CONSOLATION — E.T. Wahweotten, Sono., 4-1-23.5; Joe Zogiman, Sac., 3-2-37.0; Gordon Hammerud, G.G., 3-2-31.7; Lou Gayet, Sono., 3-2-25.7; John Hagerman, Sono., 2-3-23.1; Ernie Kim, Moss., 0-5-22.7.

EASTERN INDIANA OPEN - NEW CASTLE, INDIANA

CLASS A — John LeMond, Anderson, 7-0-72.2; Estel Bills, Connersville, 5-2-60.9; Bob Moit, Indianapolis, 4-3-58.2; Amos Ingle, New Castle, 4-3-57.8; Doyle Mink, Indianapolis, 3-4-59.23; Dick Burnworth, Jonesboro, 2-5-54.0; Arthur Burch, Scottsburg, 2-5-51.0; Kenny Perkins, Rushville, 1-6-49.3.

CLASS B — Lonnie Mullins, Muncie, 7-0-60.4; Dick Christian, Rushville, 5-2-50.7; Frances Passmore, Richmond, 3-4-45.9; J.W. Cox, Wabash, 2-5-49.3; Howard Johnson, Huntington, 2-5-48.1; Gay Ison, Columbus, 2-5-47.9; Edwin Ehemann, OH, 1-6-38.7.

CLASS C — Dale Kirtley, Modoc, 5-1-51.4; Larry Bills, Rushville, 5-1-44.2; Jim Crone, New Lisbon, 3-3-53.3; Tom Cory, New Castle, 3-3-50.0; Gene Loy, Union City, 3-3-43.8; Sylvester Hahn, Sr., Elwood, 2-4-46.7; Ed Hinshaw, Richmond, 2-4-43.8; Everett Beason, Anderson, 1-5-42.3; (called because of rain).

CLASS D — David Collier, Bargersville, 7-0-42.3; Russ Sanson, North Manchester, 6-1-39.6; Jim Mikesell, Economy, 5-2-36.6; Bob Reid, Scottsburg, 4-3-32.1; Max Cory, New Castle, 29.3; David Herring, Marion, 2-5-29.5; Ron Engle, Anderson, Forfeit.

CLASS E — Wayne Irwin, Summitville, 7-0-26.6; Clayton Smith, Richmond, 6-1-30.3; Lloyd Karstens, Rushville, 4-3-22.7; June Walker, Huntington, 4-3-19.4; Fred Armentrout, Speedway, 3-4-20.4; Elmer Branson, Gaston, 2-5-22.1; Al Bills, Sr., Rushville, 2-5-12.2; George Watkins, Forfeit.

WOMENS CLASS A — Candy Loy, Union City, 5-1-44.4; Sue Smith, Richmond, 3-3-43.0; Dorothy Bills, Rushville, 3-3-35.0; Betty Branson, Gaston, 1-5-29.6.

JUNIOR CLASS A — Amy Herring, Marion, 3-1-39.9; Phil Bills, Connersville, 2-2-33.7; Steve Bills, Connersville, 31.3.

DOMEY PLUCKS DOMEY IN TURKEY SHOOT OUT AT HERITAGE

For your dining pleasure we bring you highlights of the great turkey shoot-out held at Heritage Recreation Center in Sutton, Mass. The piece de resistance was the playoff battle between Bob Domey and Ed Domey in Class 1. Both had lost but one game, Bob to Ed, and Ed to Joe Schultz. Bob got out to the quick lead with 7 for 10, 8 for 10, and then 9 for 10. Ed came back with a run of his own, followed by five consecutive 4-deads. Bob then closed out the match 35-23, averaging 76.9%, just under his tournament average of 78.1%. It was good to see Ed back in the 70's where he belongs.

Paul Drowne gobbled up his first five games with east in Class 2 before being squashed in a meaningless final game. History will record that Joe Merritt finally got rid of that piece of meat, Russ Gadoury, that had been sticking in his craw. Joe now has nowhere to go but up.

Paul Cormier returned to past form and made giblet gravy of his Class 3 opponents with four games in the 60s.

Dick Shepard won Class 4 with a blazing 64.3% final game after having roasted runner-up Orton Cushman with 70%.

Bill Dupont left his Class 5 co-leaders pie-eyed as he fired playoff games of 47.0% and 47.8%.

Gret Rutkowski minced no words and beat the stuffing out of Norm Ricard and Ed Snow in Class 6 playoffs.

Tony Nacewicz has been an NHPA gourmet since 1973. Today he enjoyed the full seven-course dinner in Class 7 as he pitched his high tournament, 32.1%, and high game, 54.2%.

Warren Hall also feels like top tom after winning Class 8 with new highs, 32.6% average and 56.7% game.

The oldest bird in the tournament, dapper Armando Deluca, strutted his stuff in Class 9. All the players seem to go nuts in the annual turkey shoot. The foregoing explains how. The "why" is the quality of the 11-lb. turkeys.

CLASS 1 — Bob Domey, RI, 6-1-78.1; Ed Domey, MA, 6-1-72.4; Joe Schultz, NY, 4-3-75.8; George Trabucchi, CT, 4-3-62.2; Bernard Herfurth, MA, 3-4-67.2; Charlie Bonani, MA, 3-4-63.1; Art Tyson, NY, 2-5-64.3; Rick Howe, MA, 0-7-48.8. Playoff: Bob Domey, 35 (76.9%), Ed Domey, 23 (69.2%).

CLASS 2 — Paul Drowne, MA, 5-1-62.3; Russ Gadoury, MA, 4-2-59.6; Joe Merritt, MA, 3-3-56.7; Stan Mientka, MA, 3-3-53.5; Ray Peloquin, MA, 2-4-58.1; Art Wayne, NH, 2-4-49.6; Bill Davis, MA, 2-4-46.8.

CLASS 3 — Paul Cormier, MA, 6-1-57.8; Angie Cieslak, MA, 5-2-53.1; Fran Norman, MA, 4-3-47.8; Paul Dumont, MA, 4-3-44.7; Sam Raymond, NH, 4-3-44.6; Ed Bodinski, MA, 2-5-37.7; Fred Simon, MA, 2-5-36.3; Bill Davis, MA, 1-6-38.2.

DOMEY PLUCKS - (Continued)

CLASS 4 — Dick Shepard, MA, 5-1-53.2; Orton Cushman, MA, 4-2-53.9; Dick Belanger, NH, 4-2-45.2; Edgar Cote, MA, 3-3-43.3; Mel Merritt, MA, 3-3-39.1; Howard Stewart, MA, 1-5-37.2; Bill Knowles, MA, 1-5-34.0.

CLASS 5 — Bill Dupont, MA, 5-2-41.0; Bill White, MA, 5-2-46.5; Bill McMahon, MA, 5-2-35.8; Tom Henley, MA, 5-2-32.9; Bob Gokey, NH, 4-3-44.9; Bill Dickinson, MA, 4-3-41.4; Jim Wyllie, MA, 4-3-39.6; Bill Progen, MA, 3-4-35.3; Rick Fife, NH, 3-4-32.7; Joe Guy, MA, 2-5-39.0; Al Doucette, MA, 1-6-31.6; Andy Dominique, MA, 1-6-25.4; Playoff 1: Dupont 35 (47.0), Henley, 13 (32.3), 2: White, 36 (41.7), McMahon, 8 (16.6), 3: Dupont, 37 (47.8), White, 28 (43.5), 4: McMahon, 36 (40.4); Henley, 32 (36.5).

CLASS 6 — Greg Rutkowski, MA, 5-2-36.4; Ed Snow, NH, 5-2-36.9; Norm Ricard, NH, 5-2-33.8; Paul Morrissette, MA, 4-3-35.8; Earl Nash, MA, 4-3-34.1; Buddy Ploof, MA, 2-5-33.4; Dick Campbell, MA, 2-5-28.6; Red Cote, MA, 1-6-30.3. Playoff: Rutkowski 43.7; Ricard, 25.0. Rutkowski, 42.1; Snow, 26.3.

CLASS 7 — Tony Nacewicz, MA, 7-0-32.1; Ed Harrington, MA, 5-2-28.5; Mike Desroches, MA, 4-3-28.2; Wally Vickers, MA, 4-3-27.7; Jim Styles, Sr., NH, 4-3-22.8; Bart Sargent, MA, 2-5-22.1; Harold Thomas, MA, 1-6-23.9; Charlie Rutkowski, MA, 1-6-21.6.

CLASS 8 — Warren Hall, NH, 5-1-32.6; Hank Labine, NH, 4-2-23.7; Paul Bergeron, MA, 3-3-24.4; Bud Whitehouse, MA, 3-3-17.7; Mickey McNeill, MA, 2-4-14.9; Chuck McNeill, MA, 1-5-12.8.

CLASS 9 — Armando Deluca, MA, 6-0-25.4; Art Taylor, MA, 4-2-22.2; Ray Reekie, MA, 4-2-16.4; Reggie Ploof, MA, 3-3-21.5; Art Murdock, MA, 3-3-18.9; Bob Willoughby, MA, 1-5-11.2; Ed Hamilton, MA, 0-6-4.0.

PREIMESBERGER THANKSGIVING OPEN WON BY DAVE HUGHES

Dave Hughes racked up 11 victories out of 12 games to take home the championship in the Thanksgiving Open played on November 24-25 at the Preimesberger Indoor Arena at Genola, Minnesota. Phyllis Negaard using her usual ringer ability as the Women's World champions subdued her opponents with a 63.1 ringer percentage and 6 wins and 1 loss. Curt Boser of Pierz, Minn., had clear sailing in the Boys Class A with 7 straight wins and posting a 69.7 ringer percentage.

CLASS A — Dave Hughes, Bloomington, MN, 11-1-67.0; Jim Aleckson, Princeton, MN, 8-3-65.0; Len Lipovsky, Bloomington, MN, 7-4-64.5; Larye Ambrose, Jackson, MN, 7-4-62.1; Altin Olson, Bloomington, 7-4-60.1; Paul LaCrosse, Lakewood, CO, 6-5-58.7; Kent Anderson, Eau Claire, WI, 5-6-55.0; Don Larson, Evansville, 4-7-59.8; Elwood Johnson, Elmore, 4-7-58.9; Wilbert Foelske, Denver, IA, 3-8-56.3; Walter Busse, Appleton, 3-8-53.4; Ray Tillie, Duluth, 2-9-57.6; HIGH RINGER — DAVE HUGHES 78.0.

CLASS B — David Johnson, Marine, 9-2-57.8; Lloyd Olfert, Richfield, 8-3-54.3; Harry W. Benson, Hibbing, 8-3-49.4; Mike Radiske, Maple Plain, 7-4-49.2; Marcel Aleckson, St. Paul, 6-5-52.7; Owen Simmons, Nasha, Iowa, 6-5-50.5; Waldo Tesch, Cokato, 6-5-49.8; Terry Berg, North Redwood, 5-6-45.4; Dave Evenson, Donnelly, 4-7-52.9; Henry Preimesberger, Genola, 3-8-46.7; George Tako, West St. Paul, 3-8-43.6; Ken Greenlee, Fridley, 1-11-40.9. HIGH RINGER — DAVID JOHNSON 57.8.

CLASS C — Ray Daugherty, Council Bluffs, IA, 5-2-44.0; Donald Tiegs, Ortonville, 5-2-43.1; Don Burgess, Ottumwa, IA, 4-3-46.5; Robert Magnuson, Lake Lillian, 4-3-43.1; Ralph Marcks, Brooklyn Park, 3-4-41.4; Alan Berg, North Redwood, 3-4-39.7; Clifford Swayze, Wilmot, ND., 2-5-45.4; Wayne Stanley, Elmore, 2-5-38.6. HIGH RINGER — DON BURGESS 58.0.

CLASS D — Sig Armitage, Canby, 6-1-51.7; Ray Heimbuck, St. Paul, 6-1-47.7; Roland Jensen, Brookings, 4-3-42.5; Henry Filzen, Richfield, SD, 4-3-42.5; Henry Filzen, Richfield, 3-4-47.1; Ted Vander/Weyst, St. Cloud, 3-4-43.1; Joe Vober, Bloomington, 2-5-39.1; Paul Samuelson, Cokato, 2-5-36.2; Warren Gammon, Little Falls, 2-5-36.2; HIGH RINGER — SIG ARMITAGE 58.0; HIGH RINGER PAUL SAMUELSON, 58.0.

CLASS E — Ron Sholl, Coon Rapids, 6-1-39.4; Walt Asplund, Roscholt, SD, 4-3-43.4; Dennis Scouler, Council Bluffs, IA, 4-3-36.0; Jerry Harwell, Minneapolis, 3-4-42.2; Jim Holland, Anoka, 3-4-41.1; Julius Kubes, Shakopee, 3-4-38.5; Dave Schmidtbauer, Pierz, 3-4-34.5; Wilfred Blenkush, St. Joseph, 2-5-28.0. HIGH RINGER — DENNIS SCOULER, 54.0; HIGH RINGER — JERRY HARWELL 54.0.

CLASS F — Gene Anderson, St. Paul, 6-1-38.8; Gene Hughes, Bloomington, 4-3-39.4; Clarence Ryba, Minot, ND, 4-3-35.7; Glen Sandquist, Watertown, 4-3-35.7; Bert Bertelson, Marvin, 3-4-39.4; Dwaine Nelson, Minneapolis, 3-4-33.4; Ray Uhing, Rice, 2-5-34.2; Jim Hackett, Council Bluffs, IA, 2-5-31.4. HIGH RINGER — CLARENCE RYBA 54.0.

CLASS G — Pete Bergstraser, Sauk Rapids, 7-0-43.3; George Nick, Mendota Heights, 5-2-37.0; Vern Kinneman, Dent, 5-2-33.; Hilbert Frey, Minneapolis, 4-3-31.6; Jerry Marshik, Pierz, 3-4-23.3; James Krogstad, Minneapolis, 2-5-28.6; Jerry Waldvogel, Little Falls, 2-5-24.6; Henry Stromgren, Cedar, Forfeit. HIGH RINGER — PETE BERGSTRASER 52.0.

PREIMESBERGER OPEN — (Continued)

CLASS H — Al Hiller, Maple Grove, 5-2-34.2; Steve Gessell, Swanville, 5-2-33.1; Irvin Moldenhauer, Elk River, 5-2-29.7; Dennis Carlson, St. Cloud, 4-3-35.1; Fred Larson, Circle Pines, 4-3-30.8; Dave Donnelly, Minneapolis, 2-5-29.4; Ben Middendorf, St. Cloud, 2-5-26.5; Fred Smith, Higginsville, MO, 1-6-21.4. HIGH RINGER — STEVE GESSELL 48.0.

CLASS I — Clarence Lundeen, Cokato, 7-0-36.2; Darell Nation, Council Bluffs, IA, 6-1-36.8; Ken Wood, Columbia, MO, 4-3-28.5; Moose Slettehaugh, Mpls., 3-4-33.1; Ken Vander Weyst, St. Cloud, 3-4-22.0; Roger Germaine, West St. Paul, 2-5-24.5; Louie Brezinka, Minneapolis, 2-5-20.8; Jack Dykes, Columbia, MO. 1-6-15.4; HIGH RINGER — CLARENCE LUNDEEN, 46.0.

CLASS J — Ernest Ryba, Middle River, 7-0-39.1; Ken Paulson, Pierz, 6-1-31.4; Floyd Knudson, Brooklyn Center, 4-3-27.1; Ronn Negaard, St. Joseph, 4-3-15.7; Rich Meier, St. Cloud, 2-5-26.2; Eugene Kiefat, Fargo, 2-5-21.7; Donald Hoheisel, Pierz, 2-5-13.7; Jeff Hhoeisel, Pierz, 1-6-19.4. HIGH RINGER — ERNEST RYBA 52.0.

CLASS K — Joe Brezinka, Minneapolis, 6-1-19.7; Mike Buck, Ottumwa, IA, 5-2-26.5; Harlof Jensen, Brookings, SD, 5-2-25.4; Lester Holland, Dayton, 4-3-19.7; John Held, Pierz, 4-3-14.5; Gene Starke, Lester Prairie, 2-5-19.4; Dean Hoheisel, Pierz, 2-5-17.1; Eric Anderson, St. Paul, 0-7-11.4. HIGH RINGER — MIKE BUCK 42.0.

CLASS L — Marvin Feller, Alexandria, 7-0-27.7; Roger Haughlund, Cedar, 5-2-26.5; Rich Piela, Minneapolis, 5-2-18.8; Mark Heilen, Glencoe, 4-3-20.5; Tim Tretter, Pierz, 3-4-14.5; Elmer Beto, Little Falls, 2-5-13.7; Marvin Hoheisel, Jr., Pierz, 2-5-8.0; Mike Binczik, St. Cloud, 0-7-4.0. HIGH RINGER — MARVIN FELLER 40.0.

CLASS M — Henry Bertelt, Buckman, 7-0-18.6; Joe Klefat, East Grand Forks, ND, 6-1-23.6; Don Keifat, Fargo, ND, 4-3-13.6; Al Hage, Minneapolis, 4-3-11.3; Paul Klefat, East Grand Forks, ND, 1-6-2.3; HIGH RINGER — JOE KLEFAT 30.0.

LADIES — CLASS A — Phyllis Negaard, St. Joseph, 6-1-63.1; Debbie Gall, Pierz, 6-1-48.5; Beverly Nathe, St. Joseph, 5-2-50.2; Sandy Karasch, St. Joseph, 4-3-55.4; Lynne Hughes, Bloomington, 3-4-54.5; Mabel Nelson, Minneapolis, 2-5-45.4; Evelyn Vober, Bloomington, MN, 2-5-45.4; Rosie Leyk, Sauk Rapids, 0-7-36.2; HIGH RINGER — PHYLLIS NEGAARD 72.0.

LADIES CLASS B — Mae Ambrose, Jackson, 6-1-30.2; Boni Boser, Pierz, 5-2-33.7; Catherine Notch, St. Cloud, 4-3-32.8; Edi Holland, Dayton, 4-3-32.0; Janelle Hoheisel, Pierz, 4-3-26.8; Norma Radiske, Maple Plaine, 3-4-22.8; Arlene Waldvogel, Little Falls, 1-6-17.4; Dolores Preimesberger, Genola, 1-6-15.1; HIGH RINGER — CATHERINE NOTCH 48.0.

LADIES CLASS C — Bertie Solinger, Genola, 4-1-25.0; Sue Donnelly, Minneapolis, 4-1-18.5; Kim Hiscock, Rice, 3-2-13.5; Darlene Hiscock, Rice, 2-3-12.0; Rhonda Hoheisel, Pierz, 2-3-10.0; HIGH RINGER — BERTIE SOLINGER, 38.0.

BOYS CLASS A — Curt Boser, Pierz, 7-0-69.7; Chris White, Maplewood, 6-1-64.5; Dick Waldvogel, Little Falls, 4-3-50.5; Tom Holland, Dayton, 4-3-33.1; Duane Meyer, Pierz, 3-4-35.1; Mike Gessell, Swanville, 2-5-37.1; Dan Preimesberger, Genola, 2-5-31.4; Mike Armitage, Canby, 0-7-24.5; HIGH RINGER — CURT BOSER 76.0.

BOYS CLASS B — Jerry Bergstraser, Sauk Rapids, 4-2-14.3; Paul Brezinka, Minneapolis, 3-3-18.7; Girard Brezinka, Minneapolis, 3-71.3; Dale Bergstraser, Sauk Rapids, 2-4-13.7; HIGH RINGER — PAUL BREZINKA, 28.0; HIGH RINGER — GERARD BREZINKA, 28.0.

TITCOMB REPEATS AS NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAMPION

Exhibiting complete confidence in his comeback ability, the 1979 player of the year, Don Titcomb, shook off a disheartening 1st round loss to Jack Seymour but defeated Jack in the playoff by pitching an 81.8% game. Seymour's loss that forced the playoff came in round 2 when Tom Webb posted a 51-29 win over the smooth pitching veteran from San Francisco's Golden Gate Club.

Bob Hanlon of Sonoma won the close ones to emerge with the consolation title with the group's high percentage. Verdan Zelmar pitched the high game of 70%.

Herman Schneider of the host Mosswood Club won 5 straight in Group III and averaged 55,2%.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Don Titcomb, S.J., 5-1-71.5; Jack Seymour, G.G., 4-2-63.2; Tom Webb, R.D.S., 3-2-64.9; Bill Hoffman, Shasta, 3-2-64.2; Fred Lavett, Seaside, 1-4-58.9; Monte Latino, Sacramento, 0-5-48.4.

CONSOLATION GROUP 2 — Bob Hanlon, Sono., 5-2-49.1; Al Crabtree, Tur., 4-3-55.1; Bob Mauzey, Sono., 4-3-54.9; Vern Gosney, Vallejo, 4-3-53.7; Bob Malley, Sono., 3-4-54.9; Verdan Zelmar, S.J., 3-4-52.0; Harley Swander, G.G., 3-4-51.7; Ron Sanders, Hollister, 2-5-49.1.

CONSOLATION GROUP 3 — Herman Schneider, Moss., 5-0-55.2; Jim Long, Sac., 4-1-33.6; George Greeott, Sono., 3-2-41.2; Joe Zogiman, Sac., 2-3-39.2; Larry Kelley, G.G., 0-4-16.0.

DON MC CANCE WINS NEBRASKA STATE TITLE FOR 20TH TIME

McCance began his reigh as Nebraska State Champion in 1957. Only three pitchers have been able to unseat him in 23 years. Howard Robinson in 1958 — Ken Garner in 1974 — and Vaughn Helberg in 1977. Of the 192 active members of the Nebraska Association 153 participated in the 1979 tournament. The Nebraska Association has increased its membership by over 80% in the last four years.

Publication of Nebraska state results was delayed because of incomplete returns when originally sent in. (NO DATE SUPPLIED)

CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS — Don McCance, Lexington, 11-0-65.5; Ken Garner, So. Sloux, 8-3-58.6; Vaughn Helberg, Oconto, 7-4-58.6; Pete Rebman, Alma, 7-4-53.9; Dale Seybert, Ne. City, 6-5-59.3; Darold Earlewine, Oma., 6-5-57.5; Jim Hoyt, Fairfield, 6-5-56.2; Lee Bussard, Incoln, 5-6-54.5; Leland Fecht, Berwyn, 4-7-54.1; Jack Goldapp, Omaha, 3-8-53.0; Jack Govaerts, Lincoln, 3-8-51.0; Earl Anderson, Shickley, 1-10-46.5.

CLASS AA — Lorin Mills, Omaha, 9-2-48.2; Paul Wollenburg, Dewitt, 8-3-55.5; Harlan Jensen, Ma City, 8-3-49.1; John Ingram, Lincoln, 8-3-45.4; Ken Jankovitz, Culbertson, 6-5-53.2; Al. Rosenbohm, Lincoln, 6-5-49.6; Marvin Johnson, Shickley, 6-5-47.6; Marion Ryan, Centr. City, 5-6-45.7; Glen Grotrian, Cook, 4-7-45.0; Harlan Jensen, cozad, 4-7-44.7; Clare West, Lincoln, 2-9-41.4; Marshall Halvorson, Linc., 1-10-33.2.

CLASS A — Ken Spiehs, G.I., Ne., 4-0-43.6; Lorenz Wollenburg, Beat., 2-2-42.2; Willis Sims, Pickrell, 2-2-37.5; Tom Durham, Sr., Madison, 1-3-36.6; Bob Erickson, Lincoln, 1-3-32.6.

CLASS BB — Terry Boss, Columbus, 6-0-38.9; Fay Kapke, Lincoln, 5-1-49.5; Willard Liedtke, Benid, 4-2-33.4; Ron Scott, Lincoln, 2-4-34.9; Raymond Brazda, Waterloo, 2-4-33.; Milo Hauser, Daykin, 2-4-32.2; Max Leth, No. Loup, 0-6-26.6.

CLASS B — Paul Anderson, Scotts BI., 6-0-50.4; Alan Younger, Crete, 4-2-40.9; Jim McConnell, Lincoln, 4-2-40.1; F.E. Merrill, Juniata, 4-2-33.9; Emory Samuelson, Arlington, 2-4-28.7; Earl Baker, Omaha, 1-5-27.2; Leslie Kime, Valentine, 0-6-31.5.

CLASS CC — Don Abernathy, Neb. City, 5-2-35.5; Bill Earnest, Riverdale, 5-2-30.8; Norvin Aden, Lincoln, 5-2-25.4; Louis Hoffman, Lincoln, 3-4-31.8; James Phillis, Edgar, 3-4-29.0; Bill Bedinger, Hampton, 3-4-23.3; Ken Krough, Lincoln, 2-5-26.8; Leo Elgert, Gladstone, 2-5-20.7.

CLASS C — Dick Hanshew, Scotts, Bl., 7-0-44.5; Roland Johnson, Neligh, 6-1-36.6; Jim Skeen, Wood River, 5-2-46.5; Harvey Bauer, Minitaire, 4-3-37.9; Harles Mundil, Wilbur, 2-5-37.0; Bill Robonson, Omaha, 2-5-30.5; Elvin Hobstin, hardy, 1-6-31.5; Harold Updike, Fremont, 1-6-31.5.

CLASS DD — Wm. Jensen, Omaha, 5-1-41.6; Bob Luenberg, Tucumseh, 4-2-35.9; John Kerns, 4-2-34.4; Lloyd Schneider, Cody, 3-3-30.2; Mike DeLeo, Omaha, 2-4-29.4; Gus Ackerman, Lemoyne, 1-5-32.0; Bill Corman, Hardy, 1-5-26.8.

CLASS D — Earl Buss, Lincoln, 6-0-33.9; Henry Guettler, Malbeta, 5-1-29.4; Kermit Pearson, Cozad, 3-3-19.1; Jerry Kapke, Lincoln, 2-4-30.5; Ron Hoffman, Lincoln, 2-4-24.2; Bob Adams, Neligh, 2-4-23.6; Mike Koci, Lincoln, 1-5-13.2.

CLASS EE — Ed Hoffman, Omaha, 5-0-42.8; Frank Daubert, Fremont, 4-1-35.5; Earl Anderson, Lincoln, 3-2-31.6; Bob Curfman, Kearney, 2-3-27.2; Bill Corman, Hardy, 1-4-21.8; Charles Derrickson, G.I., 0-5-27.7.

CLASS E — Hank Schneider, Cody, 4-0-31.5; Milton Harmon, Falls City, 2-2-26.7; John Spradley, Columbus, 2-2-23.5; Willis Stenzel, Monroe, 2-2-23.4; Ervin Peterson, Lincoln, 0-4-22.8.

CLASS FF — Dale Verhoff, Lincoln, 6-0-36.9; Joe McCormic, Neb. City, 3-2-28.5; Vencent Ehlers, Beatrice, 3-2-27.9; John Guettler, Scot. Bluf, 3-2-26.3; Ron Schneider, Cody, 1-4-23.9; Al Hodge, Ainsworth, 1-4-22.0.

CLASS GG — Link Poore, Ainsworth, 5-1-24.2; Dorand Rowell, Fall City, 4-2-21.9; John Koso, Falls City, 4-2-13.4; Alvin Strasil, Falls City, 2-4-11.7; Milo Butzke, Lincoln, 2-4-9.9; Bob Burns, Neb. City, Forfeit.

CLASS G — Gary Munger, Sparks, 3-1-22.4; Walt Anderson, Neb. City, 2-2-25.2; Cecil Niel, Neb. City, 2-2-20.1; Arthur Aufdenkamp, Cl. Cert., 2-2-16.9; Terry Badberg, Neb. City, 1-3-10.4.

CLASS HH — R. Bartek, Lincoln, 4-0-22.9; Dean Jacob, Fremont, 3-1-21.8; Tom Fedde, Neb. City, 1-3-17.7; Gary Barrett, Nec. City, 1-3-16.2; Harold Hansen, No. Loup, 1-3-8.7.

CLASS H — Charles Grooms, Sparks, 3-0-24.3; Gary Halsted, Ainsworth, 2-1-14.2; Einer Hansen, Hardy, 1-2-10.2; Tim Boerner, Neb. City, 0-3-.03.

CLASS II — Terry Jacobs, Fremont, 4-0-.09; Dick McBride, Lincoln, 3-1-.08; Jack Kreifels, Talmadge, 2-2-.06; Leo Hellmers, Columbus, 1-3-.03; Keith Kaylor, Valparaiso, 0-4-.06.

NEBRASKA STATE — (Continued)

MENS SENIOR CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP — Russell Hill, North Loup, 6-0-35.6; Leonard Werner, Crete, 4-2-28.5; J.F. Anderson, Scotts Bl., 3-3-29.9; Aaron Niebaum, Fremont, 3-3-29.5; Shady Heist, Dewitt, 2-4-30.9; Ralph Rhoads, York, 2-4-26.5.

MENS SENIOR AA — Lloyd Mortenson, Lincoln, 5-0-32.5; Walter Sackshewsky, Thayer, 3-2-29.9; Louis Rich, York, 3-2-29.2; Keith Fish, Lincoln, 2-3-26.1; Norman Johnson, Juaniata, 1-4-20.4; Elmer Leth, Cotesfield, 1-4-17.2.

WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS — Denise Wollenburg, Beatrice, 4-0-47.2; Carolyn Schneider, Cody, 3-1-39.0; Margaret Fox, Kilgore, 2-2-32.4; Cheryl Hodge, Ainsworth, 1-3-31.2; Delores Wollemburg, Beatrice, 0-4-20.0.

WOMENS CLASS AA — Valeta Halsted, Ainsworth, 4-1-26.1; Linda Ruff, Waverly, 4-1-22.1; Joan Plankenton, Columbus, 3-2-26.9; Sally Grooms, Sparks, 2-3-19.4; Bessie Poore, Ainsworth, 2-3-13.2; Vonda Kapke, Lincoln, 0-5-13.5.

JR. BOYS CHAMPION CLASS — Frank Nash, Valentine, 3-0-50.0; Roger Fecht, Berwyn, 2-1-44.2; Randy Schneider, Cody, 1-2-32.2; Jim Grotrain, Cook, 0-3-18.5.

JR. GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS — Karen Schneider, Cody, 4-0-23.4; Kim Scott, Lincoln, 3-1-10.4; Pamela Grooms, Sparks, 2-2-6.0; Karla McCance, Lexington, 1-3-13.4; Tammy Grooms, Sparks, 0-4-9.2.

CLIFF BAKER EASES THROUGH SHELDON, ILLINOIS OPEN

CLASS A — Cliff Baker, Sheldon, III., 6-1-72.0; Burl Taylor, Greencastle, IN, 5-2-66.4; W. Hooper, Joliet, 4-3-62.1; G. Bryant, Joliet, 4-3-56.4; Charles Fix, Boswell, IN, 3-4-62.0; Don Claypool, Mellott, 3-4-58.5; D. Peters, Chenoa, 3-4-55.2; Will Bruens, Hoopeston, 0-7-52.2.

CLASS B — E. Smith, Milford, 5-2-56.7; Bob Wells, Deerfield, 5-2-49.4; Leo Bratland, Danville, 5-2-49.4; Don Natschke, Milford, 4-3-52.9; Glen O'Neal, Milford, 4-3-47.5; Gene Coffelt, Boswell, IN, 3-4-48.6; R. Kendall, Kentland, IN, 1-6-46.6; L. Gillespie, Martinton, 1-6-42.9.

CLASS C — Trudy Wells, Deerfield, 7-0-33.9; Dewey Riddle, Hoopeston, 6-1-40.6; T. McDaniel, Woodland, 4-3-36.0; Ollie Clementz, Potomac, 3-4-30.6; S. Gerdes, Cissna Park, IL 3-4-29.6; M. Gerdes, Cissna Park, 2-5-31.6; J. Newberry, Momence, 2-5-29.2; Gene Poyner, Collison, 1-6-29.1.

CLASS D — Henry Franke, Centralia, 5-0-46.1; L. Broe, Fowler, IN, 4-1-38.8; W. Carter, Fowler, IN, 2-3-37.3; F. Morts, Hoopeston, 2-3-35.2; R. Mayhew, Sheldon, 2-3-33.2; John Baker, Potomac, IL 0-5-27.8.

GONZALES SWEEPS THRU FLASH LAVETT OPEN (NO. CALIF)

Displaying ringer finesse as usual, Jesse Gonzales trampled six straight victims underfoot on the San Lorenzo courts before confronting San Jose's, Don Titcomb. This final round game went down to the last pitch with Jesse winning 24-23. Jesse racked up the day's high game of 88% and top tournament percentage of 75.6%.

Golden Gate's up and coming Harley Swander won still another group title with a 60% plus performance as he amassed 6 wins in 7 tries to take the group II title. Tri-Valley's, Marty Dunn was second.

Group III was easily won by Glen Kelly as the Sacramento stalwart won 7 straight to average 44.6%. Group IV was won by Walt East of the Mosswood (Oakland) Club.

This tournament was named for Fred (Flash) LaVett, a staunch horseshoe supporter and former No. Calif. Champion. Fred placed fourth in the Championship group and still remains in the 60% class AA bracket.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Jesse Gonzales, 7-0-78.6; Don Titcomb, SJ, 5-2-72.3; Vern Gosney, Val., 5-2-58.3; Al Crabtree, Tur., 4-3-60.6; Verdan Zelmar, SJ, 3-4-52.6; Al Guiriato, Holl., 2-5-55.1; Bob Mauzey, Sono., 2-5-46.3; Fred Lavett, Sea., 0-7-40.9.

GROUP 2 — Harley Swander, G.G., 6-1-60.6; Marty Dunn, TV, 5-2-50.6; Bob Hanlon, Sono., 4-3-51.1; Vince Mauricio, SJ., 4-3-49.7; Ed Floyd, TV, 4-3-48.0; Bob Malley, Sono, 3-4-50.3; Oscar Statham, Sac., 1-6-45.7; Elton Cowles, S.L., 1-6-36.3.

GROUP 3 — Glen Kelly, Sac., 7-0-44.6; Carl Newsom, Col., 5-2-38.9; Joe Zoglman, Sac., 4-3-41.7; George Greeott, Sono., 3-4-37.7; Paul McNally, Sea., 3-4-36.9; Art Rector, Moss., 3-4-32.3; Jim Long, Sac., 2-5-37.7; Marion Hawley, Sono., 1-6-26.0.

GROUP 4 — Walt East, Moss., 6-0-26.3; Marc Desmond, TV, 4-2-26.0; Lou Gayet, Sono., 3-3-28.3; Ernie Kim, Moss., 3-3-20.7; Jim Smith, G.G. 2-4-24.3; Dick Pawloski, TV, 2-4-22.0; Obie Winn, TV, 1-5-22.7.

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Results of Season's Activities - By George Anderson

CLASS A League Champions — 130 wins, 78 losses.

CLASS B League Champions — 126 wins, 82 losses. Curly's Bar, Gary Wietman, Tom Dunleavy, Doug Neumann, Gordy Amell.

CLASS A League High Ring. Pct. Norm Morrison, 62.2.

CLASS B League High Ring. Pct. Doug Neumann, 37.0.

CLASS C League High Ring. Pct. Red Division John Wiita, 22.2.

CLASS C League High Ring. Pct., Blue Division, Dick Stiller, 13.6.

MOST IMPROVED PITCHER Percentage up during 1979 — Cooper, Johnson, A League, 6.23; Doug Neumann, B League, 6.22; John Anderson, C. League, 3.87.

MOST GAMES WON A Legue, Al Olson, 35-17; B. League, Doug Neumann, 35.13; C. League (Red Division) Art Zylka, 37-7; C. Legue, (blue Division), Walt ?eslau, 33-15.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR Andy Dunaisky.

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD Bill Velander.

Awards presentation and Banquet was held Saturday, September 15th.

SEASON'S REPORT OF DENVER-METRO LEAGUE-DENVER, CO

By Paul LaCrosse

The Denver Metro Horseshoe Club of Denver, Colorado completed its 6th year of League pitching and its second year under the NHPA sanctioned league program. Our club had 67 members with 28 first year players. The league employs a 50 shoe handicap countall system and is orientated toward being a fun league to allow new members to get comfortable with competitive horseshoe pitching. Many ladies and Juniors compete in league play.

In 1979 NHPA Sanctioned League Awards went to the following:

League Champ Awards — Tuesday night winners: Del Toner & Floyd Holmes, W 41.5; L-18.5. Wednesday night winners: Ed Shepard and Gary Grammer, W-39.5; L-20.5.

Most Improved Pitcher — By Average Points Gained From Previous Year — Tuesday night winner: Bill Tarket gained 20.9 pts. Wednesday night winner: Don Wild gained 15.8 pts.

Consecutive Ringer Award — Tuesday night winners: Less Grosenbach (10) Margaret Tarket (10). Wednesday night winner: Jim Bustos (12).

Percentage Points Gained from Previous Year's Ringer Percentage: Tuesday night winner: Bill Tarket gained 109.2% from 7.6% to 15.7%. Wednesday night winner: Dino Weith gained 96.1% from 2.5% to 5.1%.

Ringer Percentage points Gained from Previous Year — Tuesday night winner: Margaret Tarket gained 9.7%. Wednesday night winner: Don Wild gained 12.8%.

Highest Ringer Percentage Game Scratch: Tuesday night winner: Les Grosenbach pitched a 72% game. Wednesday night winner: Paul LaCrosse pitched a 74% game.

Highest Point Game Scratch — Tuesday night winner: Les Grosenbach pitched a 118 point game. Wednesday night winner: Paul LaCrosse pitched a 116 point game.

Highest Point Game Handicap — Tuesday night winner: Bill Tarket pitched a 171 point game with handicap. Wednesday night winner: Don Hogsett pitched a 180 point game with handicap.

Highest Season Average by Points Scratch — Tuesday night winner: Les Grosenbach with a 93.1 average. Wednesday night winner: Paul LaCrosse with a 96.9 average.

Rookie of the year — Tuesday night winner: Robert Dunlap. Wednesday night winner: Dino Weith.

Highest Season Average by Ringer Percentage — Tuesday night winner: Les Grosenbach with 52.5; Wednesday night winner: Paul LaCrosse with 56.2.

Sportsmanship Awards — Tuesday night winner: George Abrams; Wednesday night winner: Mabel Giovinini.

Finally the Denver Metro Horseshoe Club is proud of its two Colorado State Class A champions — Fran Roth, Ladies Champion and Paul LaCrosse, Men's Champion.

AUGGIE FRAGALE WINNER OF NEVADA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP ETTA TOBEY LADIES CHAMPION

The final results of the 1979 Nevada State championship, received January 14, 1980, follow including the new officers for the ensuing year. Anna Dunn was the retiring secretary.

"The Great Battle Born" state of Nevada has given its State Championship Title to Mr. Auggie Fragale. Auggie won the playoff game to last year's state champion Cas Bower under nice clear blue skies.

Etta Tobey, the 1977 state champion regained her title from 1978 state women's champ, Jessie Astor. It seems that these two trade the title back and forth each year. We better start practicing ladies!!

New tournament dates have been sent — please write to the new State Secretary Lani Wilks for a list of tournament dates, hope to see you in Nevada.

CLASS A — Auggie Fragale, Cas Bower, Second, George Wilfon, third.

CLASS B — Pat Tholl, First; Joe Rivers, second; John Tallent, third.

CLASS C — Frank Lepori, first, Jim Toulouse, Second, Wesley Jim, Third. LADIES CLASS — Etta Tobey, first; Jessie Astor, second; Sylvia McCloud, third.

Officers for the year are as follows: Dick Millard, President, Lance Astor, 1st Vice President, 73 Reservation Road, Reno, Nevada, 2nd Vice President, Dave Ressler, 1580 Van Patten, Reno, Nevada; Secretary, Lani Wilks, 5475 Tannerwood Drive, Reno, Nevada 89511.

COMING EVENTS

80 FLORIDA SCHEDULE

NHPA and State membership required. For 2-day tournaments, pitchers under 40 per cent play 1st fournaments, pitchers under 40 per cent play 1st day — 40 per cent and over 2nd day. Entry fee: Class A - \$10.00; all other classes \$5.00. Players pay scorekeepers 25c per game. Send entry fee to proper tournament director 7 days before tournament date. Those who drop out after entry deadline will forfeit their entry fee unless tournament. nament is cancelled.

Mar. 7-8 - Steinfeldt Handicap, Ed Wright Park,

Mar. 7-8 — Steinfeldt Handicap, Ed Wright Park, Clearwater, Fla. Geo. Buskey, 603 Southgate Park, Clearwater, Fla. 33516 (813-441-3332).
Mar. 8 — Mid-Florida Open, Sunshine Park, Orlando, Fla. James Peterson, 220 Maynard Ave., Orlando, Fla. 32803 (305-894-3379).
Mar. 14-15 — Seminole Pow-Wow, Seminole, Fla. 14-15 — Seminole Pow-Wow, Seminole, Fla. 33542 (813-392-8504).
Mar. 15 — Race Week Open, Sebring, Fla. Jim Fourman, 2832 Bolin Lane, Sebring, Fla. 33870 (813-385-7372)
Mar. 21-22 — Fun 'N Sun Festival, Ed Wright Park, Clearwater, Fla. Geo. Buskey, 603 South-

gate Park, Clearwater, Fla. 33516 (813-441-

Mar. 29 — Atlantic Coast Open, New Smyrna Beach, Fla. O. Gaudette, 718 Francis Ave., New Smyrna Beach, Fla. 32069 (904-428-4288). Mar. 28-29 — DeSoto Open, Bradenton, FL, Contact

Pat O'Toole, Box 1371, Oneco, FL 33558 (813-755-9359)

pr. 5 — Central Florida Open, Winter Haven, Fla. H. Halstead, 318 Parakeet Ave., Deer Lake Tr. Park, Winter Haven, Fla. 33880 (813-299-7625).

Apr. 5 — Bee Ridge Open, Bee Ridge, Sarasota, Fla. Dick Ferguson, 4337 Midland Rd., Sara-sota, Fla. 33581 (813-924-4117).

Apr. 12 — Rosie O'Grady Open, Sunshine Park, Orlando, Fla. James Peterson, 220 Maynard Ave., Orlando, Fla. 32803 (305-894-3379). Apr. 19 — Florida State (Closed) Winter Haven, Fla. N. Gaseau, 1908 Nugget Dr., Clearwater, Fla. 33515 (813-443-2892).

NEVADA SCHEDULE

May 17 - State Open, Mens Class A 9:00 a.m., Mens Class B, 10:a.m., Jr. Class, 11:00 a.m. May 18 — State Open, Women's Class 9:00 a.m.,

Mens Class C 10:00 a.m., Mens D, 11:00 a.m. Sept. 6 - State Closed, Women's Class 9:00 a.m.

Mens C Class 10:00 a.m., Mens D Class 11: a.m. Sept. 7 - State Closed, Mens A Class 9 a.m., Mens B 10 a.m., Jr. Class 11 a.m.

Jun 28 - First League Tournament, Womens A & B 9 a.m., Mens A & B Classes 11 a.m.

Jun 29 - First League Tournament, Mens C & D Class 10 a.m., Jr. Class 11 a.m.

July 26 - Second League tournament, Mens C & D Class 10 a.m., Jr. Class, 11:00 a.m.

July 27 - Second League Tournament, Women's A & B Class, 9 a.m., Mens A & B Classes, 11 a.m.

WASHINGTON SCHEDULE

4th Series Winetrout Classic Open, Woodland Park, Seattle.

Mar. 16 - 5th Series Winetrout Classic Open, Woodland Park, Seattle.

Apr. 12 - The Daffodil Open, Wright Park, Tacoma. Apr. 20 - The Skagit County Open, Owens Courts, Mt. Vernon.

Apr. 26-27 - Open Date.

May 3 - The Gilbo Open, Wright Park, Tacoma.

May 17-18 - The Lilac City Open, Franklin Park, Spokane

May 25-26 - The Seattle Memorial Open, Woodland Park, Seattle.

May 31-Jun. 1 - The Monasmith Open, Elks Memorial Open, Yakima. Jun. 14 - The Southwest Washington Open, Marshal

Center, Vancouver.

Jun. 22-22 - The Everett Open, Forest Park, Everett. Jun. 28-29 - The Strawberry Open, Owens Courts, Mt. Vernon.

Jul. 4-5 - The Allones Open, Evergreen Park, Bremerton.

Jul. 12-13 - The Spokane Open, Franklin Park

Spokane.
19 — The Tacoma/Foss Memorial Open, Wright Park, Tacoma.

Aug. 9-10 - The Snohomish County Open, Forest Park, Everett.

Aug. 16-17 - The Bellingham International Open Cornwall Park, Bellingham.

Aug. 24 - The Greater Seattle (Closed), Woodland Park, Seattle.

Aug. 30-31 & Sept. 1 — The Washington State Tournament, Elks Memorial Park, Yakima.

Sept. 13-14 - The Pacific Northwest Championship Open, Elks Memorial Park, Yakima.

Nov. 1 - The Tacoma Turkey Shoot Open, Wright Park, Tacoma.

VIRGINIA SCHEDULE

May 24-25 - Elmont Spring Open, Elmont, VA. May 31-June 1 - Golden Olympics, Richmond, VA. For Virginia residents 55 years of age or older, tournament wil be held at the University of Richmond.

June 7-8 — Apple Capitol Open, Winchester, VA. June 28-29 - Virginia State Doubles, Dublin, VA. July 19-20 - Hill City Open, Lynchburg, VA.

August 9-10 - Virginia State Cash Tournament, Winchester, Virginia.

August 30-31 - Virginia State Singles, Location to be announced.

September 13-14 - Raymond Frye Memorial Open, Winchester, VA.

Oct. 4-5 - Elmont Fall Open, Elmont, VA.

For information on any Virginia Tournament Contact: Les Singhass, State Secretary 1607 Valley Avenue Winchester, Virginia 22601

LEBOW WINS FINAL TOURNAMENT OF GEORGIA SEASON

O.D. Lebow of Tennessee closed out the Georgia season in late October by winning the Alpharetta Open held in that city, with a 8-1-64.4 record. Following in runner-up spot was Larry Morton, formerly of Kansas with a 7-2-64.4 record.

CLASS A — O.D. Lebow, 8-1-64.4; Larry Morton, 7-2-64.4; Glen Portt, 6-3-68.4; T.R. Little, 6-3-63.3; Dexter Stallings, 5-4-61.1; James Collins, 5-4-58.9; James Flowers, 4-5-55.2; Carl Montgomery, 2-7-48.1; Jim Waters, 2-7-45.5; J.E. Brooks, 0-9-42.1.

CLASS B — W.L. Gore, 6-1-56.2; Kelvin McTaggart, 5-2-57.9; Jr. McTaggart, 4-3-48.1; Carl Green, 3-4-49.6; Jim Adkerson, 3-4-47.4; Wayne Brooks, 3-4-42.5; Claude Fender, 3-4-41.4; James Brooks, 1-6-46.5.

CLASS C — Larry Collett, 6-1-35.1; Clayton Kurtz, 5-1-37.0; Billy Barnes, 3-3-33.4; Donald Jones, 3-3-33.2; Melvin Wright, 2-4-32.6; Bryon Collett, 2-4-31.3; Danny Martin, 1-5-36.3.

CLASS D — Roger Stampler, 5-1-28.9; Jim Russell, 3-2-35.6; Jr. Hair, 3-2-29.5; Kerry Gambrell, 2-2-20.1; Mike Gambrell, 1-3-26.8; Marshall Brooks, 0-4-17.6.

JUNIORS - Ronnie Collett, 5-0; Robby Collett, 3-2; Edwin Brooks, 2-3.

LADIES CLASS — Mary McTaggart, 5-0; Mae Brooks, 4-1; Ruby Brooks, 3-2; S. Gambrell, 2-3; P. Gambrell, 1-4; P. Gore, 1-4.

Coming Events—Continued

1979-1980 RUSH INDOOR COURTS RUSHVILLE, INDIANA

Mar. 1-2 — Marvin Chrisman Special Open. Entry fee \$7.00. 35 points. Mailing deadline Feb. 20. Phone deadline Feb. 24.

Apr. 5-6 — Henry Franke Special Open. Entry fee \$7.00. 35 points. Mailing deadline Mar. 30

Apr. 26-27 — Indoor State. Entry fee \$9.00. 35 points. Mailing deadline Apr. 16 Phone deadline Apr. 20.

Send all entries to Robert L. Reid, State Sec., 34 North Beechwood Ave., Scottsburg, Indiana 47170. Phone 812-752-2195.

1979-80 ARIZONA SCHEDULE Pioneer Park, Mesa, Arizona

Entries close one week prior to date shown. Mail to Ralph McCarty, 5334 East Hermosa Vista Drive, Mesa, Arizona 85205. Phone 602-985-1525. Fees are \$3.00 (except \$7.00 for VALLEY of the SUN with an extra \$3.00 for Class A qualifiers).

March 14-15 - Snowbird Open tournament.

HERITAGE RECREATION SCHEDULE

Mar. 23 — Easter Ham Shoot (39% & Down)

Mar. 30 — Easter Ham Shoot (40% & Up)

April 20 — Heritage National (39% & Down)

April 27 — Doubles Tournament 100% limit combined average

May 3-4 — Heritge National (40% & Up). Featuring Glen "Red" Henton, Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon Pitching class A.

May 24-25 — Annual Club Championships (Members Only). Entry fee \$10.00 (includes paid score-keepers). Mail to: HERITAGE RECREATION CENTER, ROUTE 146, SUTTON, MA 01527. DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES ONE WEEK BEFORE SCHEDULED EVENT. ALL ENTRIES ACCEPTED WILL BE NOTIFIED OF PLAYING TIME BY POSTAL CARD.

EAST MONTANA SCHEDULE

June 1 - FROID. June 15 - Fairview June 29 - Ekalaka July 6 - Plentywood July 20 - Culbertson Aug. 3 - Wolf Point Aug. 17 - Sidney, Divisional

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ALABAMA SCHEDULE

Mar 29 - Icebreaker open, Huntsville, Director Jim Harris.

Apr. 12 - New Hope Open, New Hope, Director Carl Baker.

19 - Dogwood WORLD OPEN, Huntsville, Director, Ose Veesey

May 3 - Opelika Open, Opelika, Director K.E. Kolander.

May 17 - Huntsville Classic, Huntsville, Director Jim Harris. May 18 - New Hope Open, New Hope, Director,

Carl Baker. 1 - New Hope Open, New Hope, Director,

Carl Baker. 7 - 5th No. Al. Reg. Open, Huntsville, Jim Jun.

Harris. 14 — 1st Cullman Open, Cullman, Director, Jun.

Tommy Byram. Jun. 15 - New Hope Open, New Hope, Director Carl Baker.

Jun. 21 - Kudzu Open, Opelika, Director, K.E. Kolander.

12 - Hi Temp Open, Huntsville, Director, Jim Harris.

Jul. 13 - Cullman Open, Cullman, Director Tommy Byram.

Jul. 20 - New Hope Open, New Hope, Director Carl Baker.

Jul. 24-Aug. 3 - WORLD TOURNAMENT, HUNTS-

VILLE, Director, Ose Veesey.

Aug. 30-31 - ALABAMA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS, Huntsville, Director, Jim Harris.

Aug. 17 - New Hope Open, New Hope, Director Carl Baker.

Sept. 13 - New Hope Open, New Hope, Director Carl Baker.

Sept. 20 — County Championships, Madison, Huntsville, Director, Jim Harris. Sept. 20 - Cullman, Cullman, Director Tommy

Byram.

Sept. 20 - Lee, Opelika, Director K.E. Kolander. Sept. 20 -Baldwin, Robertsdale, Ottie Reno, Director.

Sept. 20 - Shelby, Calera, Director W.A. Nelson.

Sept. 20 — Jefferson, Homewood, Director Barbara Wolfe.

Oct. 4 - New Hope Open, New Hope, Director Carl Baker.

Oct. 11 - Cottin' Pickin' Open, Huntsville, Director Jim Harris. Oct. 12 - Cullman Open, Cullman, Director Tommy

Byram. Oct. 18 - Homewood Open, Homewood, Director

Barbara Wolfe. Nov. 8 - Opelika Fall Classic, Opelika, Director K.E. Kolander.

Nov. 15 - New Hope Open, New Hope, Director Carl Baker.

OHIO SCHEDULE

May 17-18 — Hamilton Open, AC Davis, 1240 Western Hamilton, OH 45013, Deadline May 10. May 24-25-26 - Xenia Open, Sanctioned, Entry Fee

\$7. Deadline May 11. Ringer Pct. to Ken Waggoner, 476 Cottage Grove Ave., Xenia, OH 45385.

May 31-Jun 1 - St. Louisville Open, A-B-C-D Sanctioned. Entry fee \$8.00. Ringer pct. to Howard Robinson, Box 31, St. Louisville, OH 43071; 1-614-745-5786 Deadline: May 24.

Jun 7-8 - Spring Fever Open, Marion, OH. Deadline May 31. Register Rgr. Pct. & Entry Fee - \$10.00. 4 Classes Sanctioined. M. Roseberry, 26 Thew Ave., Marion, OH 43302, 1-614-387-6415.

Jun 14-15 - Silver Dollar Open, Lancaster, OH. A-B-C-D Sanctioned Pct. & Ringers to: Weldon Martin, 611 Edgewood Ave., Lancaster, OH 43130. Entry fee \$8.00.

Jun 14-15 - Wauseon Open, Sanctioned, Entry & ringer pct. to Mrs. Geo. H. Smith, 1-17320-LV Wauseon, OH, 43567.

Jun 21-22 - Hebron Open. Entry fee \$8.00 & Ringer pct. to Phil Hummel, 5099 Fallsburg Rd., Newark, OH 43055. 1-614-345-3655. Deadline June 15.

Jun 28-29 - Curley Baker Memorial, Toledo, OH

Sanctioned. Rgr Pct. & Entry fee \$8.00 to Gerry Wheeler, 3341 Plainview Dr., Toledo, OH 43615. 1-419-841-5931. Dealine, June 21.

Jul. 4-5-6 - Ringer Classic, Greenville, OH. Qualifying at Courts. Thursday 6 - 11 p.m., Fri. 4th until 12 noon. Pitching will start at 2 p.m. Fri. July 4. Sanctioned.

Jul 19-20 - Piqua Open, Invitation Only. Entry fee \$5.50 to Francis Asher, 1425 Mulberry St., Piqua, OH

Jul 12-13 - Fort Hamilton Days, A-B-C-D Sanctioned. Rgr. pct. & entry fee to Al Davis, 1240 Western, Hamilton, OH 45013. Deadline Jul. 12.

Aug. 30-31-Sept. 1 — Ohio State Tournament, Greenville, OH. Sanctioned. Qualify at courts, Sign in deadline 12 noon Sat. Aug 30. Entry fee \$6.00. Contact Francis Asher, 1425 Mulberry St., Piqua, OH 45356.

Sept. 20 - Champion of Champions, Union, Ohio Contact Gary Kline, 108 Palmont Farms Circle, Union, OH 45322.

Sept. 20-21 - Polar Bear Open. Sanctioned. Send Ringer pct. to: Geo. H. Smith, 1-17320-L, Wauseon, OH 43567.

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