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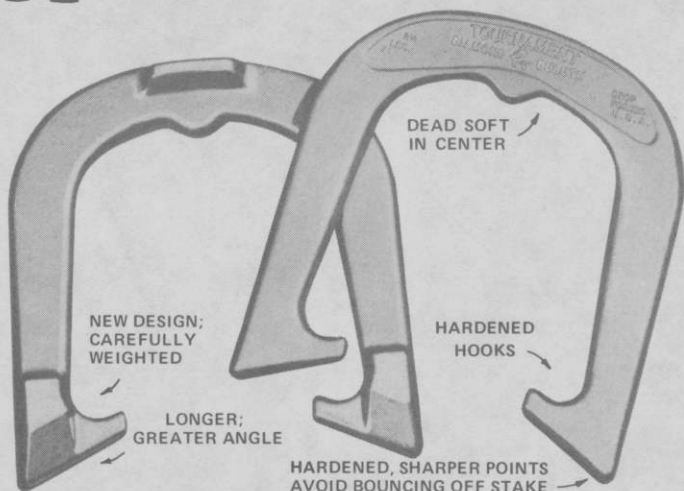
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NHPA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By **WALLY SHIPLEY**

PLEASE NOTE: MY NEW ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 2646 BASSWOOD STREET, NEWPORT BEACH, CALIFORNIA 92660. TELEPHONE 714-760-3658.

On October 17, 1980, I wrote the following two letters and received one reply.

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

October 17, 1980

Dear Ed:

The NHPA Convention Delegates and myself were deeply disappointed you could not attend our 1980 convention in Huntsville, Alabama.

The letter you sent me was appreciated but it certainly did not take the place of your personal attendance in the eyes of the delegates.

Our membership has expected a big marriage with Budweiser by now, at least something concrete towards that goal. I am even disappointed along these lines because of our encouraging past telephone conversations.

For instance:

1. You had suggested a person on the Budweiser Board to be an Honorary member on the NHPA Executive Council. I said OK. No name from you to this date.

2. We had discussed a Budweiser sponsored tournament in St. Louis. No further conversation from you was made on the subject.

3. You indicated the Budweiser people were interested in meeting me personally in St. Louis. Again, no further conversation was made.

Ed, all of the subjects above were published in our NHPA News Digest. I'm sure you can see why the people and myself are disappointed in our progress and why they have doubt in their minds.

I hope to hear some encouraging words from you soon.

Sincerely,

Wally Shipley
NHPA President

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE — (Continued)

Mr. O'Donnell called me on January 22, 1981 and wanted to let me know he had not forgotten the NHPA. He was still working in our behalf. It seems Budweiser has moved their personnel around and O'Donnell's contact is new to him. However, this contact works with State Fair events. This person saw part of the Los Angeles County area and according to Ed O'Donnell, he was impressed.

O'Donnell was to meet with his new contract. He will keep me informed of his progress.

He also told me to tell all the members that we are on first base but not into the television stage as of yet. So, please have patience and faith.

In my opinion, good advise. After all it's not costing us a dime to do both.

Jules Win
ESPN Plaza
Bristol, Connecticut 06010

October 17, 1980

Mr. Winn:

The NHPA, Horseshoes and City of Huntsville, Alabama were deeply disappointed the ESPN could not fulfill their comment in filming the 1980 World Horseshoe Tournament.

You told me on the telephone in Huntsville (which I relayed to our convention delegates) ESPN would still pay the \$1000.00.

Can the NHPA still expect to receive the check?

What does all this mean concerning the ESPN's interest in the NHPA's 1981 World Horseshoe Tournament?

Looking forward in hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Wally Shipley
NHPA President

Attention: Henry Preimesberger informed me on the telephone on February 4, 1981 that lodging is still available for the 1981 World Tournament...so make your plans.

Your council and Host Tournament Committee voted unanimously not to require qualifying at the 1981 World Tournament. All entries will be placed by their percentage using pre-registration. Donnie Roberts has full details elsewhere in this issue. All deadline dates and rules must be adhered to.

The Junior Girls, Boys and Women representatives for the 1981 World Tournament are as follows:

JUNIOR GIRLS — Janice Domey, Rte. 146, Sutton, Mass. 01527. Ph. 617-865-3086.

JUNIOR BOYS — Mark Dyson, Rte. 5, Box 428, Taylorsville, NC 28681. Ph. 704-632-2043.

WOMEN — Bonnie Seibold, 1043 Grayston Ave., Huntington, IN 46750. Ph. 219-356-3489.

Any Juniors or Women having any pros or cons, please write or call your representative. They in turn will present details to the delegates in Genola, Minnesota.

Lee Davies was the NHPA representative at two conventions in Florida — The National Youth Sports Directors Convention and the National A.A.U. Convention. There will be more on these at a later date. After the council has time to digest Lee's comments and recommendations.

Attention All State Secretaries and Presidents: Henry Preimesberger has all the State Flags to display at the World Tournament. He tells me some are very faded and should be replaced. Henry will be in touch with you who will be involved. Hopefully, you will send or bring a

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE —(Continued)

replacement if needed.

The Executive Council approved a New Sanctioned Shoe. It's called the "Henton V-Lock" and is designed by Glen "Red" Henton.

I'm sorry to close my message with a sad note. Hank Drogemuller of Southern California passed away suddenly of a heart attack. Hank was a very active and a devoted member over the years. He will be missed.

Our sorrows and regrets go to his wife, Joe, and son, Hank Junior, as well as their families and friends.

ANNUAL CALICO (CALIFORNIA) OPEN SET FOR APRIL 10-11-12

The Calico Open Tournament will be held April 10, 11 and 12 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, April 11 with divisions D through K. Women, Juniors and Men's A and B divisions continue on Sunday, April 12.

Registration fee is \$3. \$300 plus all entry fees will be rewarded. Entry fee for division A is \$7, 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, April 1. Information and registration for horseshoe tournament; contact Calico Ghost Town (714) 254-2122.

Other events are the Old Miner's Stew Cook-Off which begins Saturday, April 11, and is limited to 36 contestants. Entry fee is \$5. Judging starts at 3 p.m. Additionally, the West Coast Tobacco Chewing and Spitting Championships will spit Saturday and Sunday at 12 noon determining who can chew the most tobacco and spit it the farthest.

For these events, contact Calico Ghost Town, P.O. Box 638, Yermo, California 92398.

Other weekend activities include gunfight skits, greased pole climbing and campfire entertainment.

1981 WORLD TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE PREPARING BROCHURE

We in Minnesota are working on the 1981 World Tournament and will do our very best to provide a setting and facilities that we know you will enjoy. You will find Primesbeger Arena to be unsurpassed in our sport and Minnesota a dream come true for a summer vacation. July 30 thru August 9 are the dates.

As you probably know, a brochure is printed each year for the World Tournament. It shows statistics from previous years, many facts about the game, hall of fame pictures and much much more. One of the features of the brochure is advertising and many clubs across the country have availed themselves of this opportunity to draw attention to their area. I have enclosed a price list for these ads and a couple of sample pages from the 1980 brochure.

Advertising Rates:	Full Page — \$200	3/4 — \$175	
	2/3 — \$150	1/2 — \$125	1/3 — \$100
	1/4 — \$ 80	1/8 — \$ 40	1/16 — \$ 20

If you should decide to place an ad in the '81 book, or a business in your area should wish to do so, please send the logo for the printer along with the advertising fee to: Ken Paulson, Route 1, Pierz, Minnesota 5634

We have set April 1, 1981, as a deadline for submitting advertising purchases to allow time for printing. Should you have any questions, you may write or call me during business hours at (612) 632-2941, Ext. 120, or evenings at (612) 468-6133.

**NOTICE: Digest is now \$7.00 for third class
\$8.00 for first class — NHPA Dues: \$6.00**

COVER PICTURE... TOP N.E. PITCHERS expected to be in contention again during the 1981 season are, from left, Debby Michaud, of Raynham, Ma., New England champion and former world titlist; Liz Downer of Bristol, Vt., state champion; Linda Pateneau of Oxford, Maine, state champion and former world junior titlist; and Debbie Fulford of Keene, N.H., state champion and former New England champion. — Photo by Tom Blake

REBUTTAL TO "GAMES ARE TOO LONG" STORY

By E.E. BROWN & AMOS HODSON

The World Invitational Committee is diametrically opposed to President Shipley's article regarding the length of games in the World Invitational. We are not necessarily opposed to 35 point games but for his reasons so stated.

Our observations show the majority of people left after the completion of the long games. Our fair tournament does not have a captive audience. The very nature of a fair crowd is highly mobile and transient. Entire families will pass by and watch, but they came to see all of the fair.

Merely by virtue of the fact we are holding a horseshoe tournament does not mean all 1,500,000 fair visitors will become totally enamored over our game. There are people who would not walk across the street to see the Super Bowl, World Series, or NBA playoffs.

Another factor is lack of seating. The most enthusiastic supporter is not going to stand for hours to watch all the games.

This, however, is not the real problem. The fundamental problem is identification. Our sport is obscure, known only to a miniscule percentage of the public who has no identification with the players. They have no opportunity to choose a favorite, no knowledge of the flow of the game, its rules or scoring. To identify with a player or team leads to knowledge of the game, these factors lead to the creation of a fan. The concept of identification is of the highest priority in any sport, team or individual.

There has been recently proposed a myriad of plans to change the format of the game of horseshoes. The majority of these will of course fail.

If we are to make progress and present a more attractive event, we need the following: presentation, location, definition, staging, and public relations, and by these factors, we can establish public identification to a much greater degree.

When two players are in a tight game with many 4 "deads", it is no longer a game of skill. It is a battle of wills, a test of character, a battle of the minds. This is where it's all at, who will prevail? who will dominate?

Why is a 35 point game more exciting than a 50 point game? If this is a tenet of logic, we can then presume a 25 point game is more exciting than a 35 point game.

It is the responsibility of the World Invitational Committee to give Los Angeles County Fair as much playing time as possible. They provide the location, labor and the major portion of the pay-backs.

If it is necessary to shorten the game to conform to TV time, that reason is not germane to the issue stated by President Shipley.

WORLD INVITATIONAL COMMITTEE EXPRESSES THANKS

The World Invitational Committee wishes to thank the Ohio Horseshoe Co., Diamond Tool Co., Deadeye Horseshoes for their support of our tournament.

We want to extend a special thanks to Queen City Forging who has supported us from the very first.

We also extend our thanks and appreciation to the N.H.P.A. for their financial support of our tournament.

We extend our appreciation to all the members of the Southern California Horseshoe Pitchers Association who have labored long and hard to make this tournament successful.

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Record of Performance — List three in each if possible.

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Past State Tournament Percentages _____

Past Tournament Percentages _____

Past League Percentages _____

Enclose Entry Fee: Men \$15, Women \$10, Seniors and Intermediates \$10, Juniors Free.

NHPA Card # _____. If you don't have your card please get it from your state secretary.

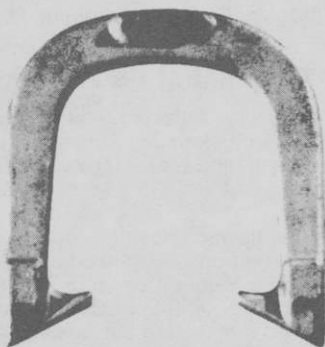
Mail to: Donnie Roberts, 9439 Camp Creek Road, Lucasville, OH 45648.

Any entry postmarked after June 1, 1981 will be returned. Entries with no money enclosed will be returned. We reserve the right to place pitchers if we feel the averages turned in are wrong.

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Leonard Wimmer, Rt. 2, Pierz, MN 56364. 612-468-6695.

Louis Desjaris, Rt. 5, Box 209, Little Falls, MN 56345. 612-632-9453. Farm home.

Mrs. George Gold, Rt. 4, Pierz, MN 56364. 612-468-6212. Farm home.

Walter Gohl, Rt. 3, Foley, MN 56329. 612-355-2269. (home in Morill, MN)

Sidney Winscher, Rt. 2, Pierz, MN 56364. 612-468-2683. Farm home.

Betty Winscher, Rt. 2, Royalton, MN 56373. 612-468-6277. Farm home.

ROOMS AND DORMITORIES: St. Francis Development Center, 8th Ave., 2nd Street, S.E., Little Falls, MN 56345. (Located south end of Little Falls). 612-632-3617. The Center provides sleeping accommodations for 90 people (double rooms dormitories). Accommodations include use of Showers, bathrooms, lounges, swimming pool, tennis courts available during scheduled hours.

CAMPING, RENTING & POLICIES AT PREIMESBERGER ARENA

INFORMATION ON CAMPING & RENTING: Camp sites adjacent to arena grounds, electric hook up, central water, sewage pump (truck on site), grocery center, central showers. **COST:** \$7 per day in advance at entrance. Some tent sites available at \$4 per nite — a fee will be charged for use of showers. A fee will also be charged to pump your sewage.

CAMP GROUND POLICIES: Only renters will be allowed in camp grounds — pets must be leashed at all times. No mini bikes. No reservations — first come, first serve. (enough sites are available). Please help keep camp grounds clean by using trash containers. No mischievous acts will be tolerated. No soliciting of any kind in camp ground or arena grounds. Violators will be removed. Admission buttons will also be sold at camp entrance. Rules will be strictly enforced!!

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James Preimesberger, 1711 St. Clair Avenue, St. Paul, MN, 55105. 612-698-9167.

PLEASE NOTE: We will not have rental units available. At this time, we are unable to come up with a reasonable price for individual cost per day. We would suggest renting a motor home and rent a lot in the campgrounds. Also check the list of private homes available and at St. Frances Christian Development Center, listed elsewhere in this issue.

HOTELS AND MOTELS FOR 1981 WORLD TOURNAMENT

Pine Edge Inn & Motel — 308 S.E. 1st Street, Little Falls, MN 56345. 612-632-6681 60 units. (some openings left for 1st week)

Clifwood Motel — 1201 Old Highway, 371 N., Little Falls, MN 56345. 612-632-5488. 20 units. (some openings left for 1st week)

LaFalls Motel — 900 S.E. 1st Street, Little Falls, MN 56345. 612-632-6693. 26 units. (has openings available)

Super 8 Motel — 300 N.E. 12 Street, Little Falls, MN 56345. 612-632-2351. 31 units. (includes cabins and kitchettes). Toll Free: 1-800-843-1991. (filled no openings available)

Winchester Motel — S. Highway 10, Little Falls, MN 56345. 612-632-6673. 14 units (includes 5 kitchettes). (openings and under new management)

Innsbrook Motel — Hwy. 10 & 115. Randall, MN 612-749-2650. (has openings available)

Al-Mar Motel — Hwy. 371, Rt. 6, Brainerd, MN 56401. 218-829-1477. 10 units, 13 beds.

Dellwood Motel — 1320 S. 6th St., Brainerd, MN 56401. 218-829-8756. 19 units, 29 beds.

Downtown Motel — 507 S. 6th, Brainerd, MN 56401. 218-829-4789. 12 units, 15 beds.

Holiday Inn — Hwy. 371 S., Brainerd, MN 56401. 218-829-1441. 150 units, 300 beds. European plan, dining room, lounge, meals available, indoor pool, sauna.

Nisswa Motel — P.O. Box 399, Nisswa, MN. 17 units, 34 beds, 218-963-7611.

Paul Bunyan Motel — Route 8, Box 115, Brainerd, MN 56401. 218-829-3571. 36 units, 55 beds.

Riverview Motel — Hwy. 317 & 210 W., Brainerd, MN 56401. 218-829-8771. 95 units, 158 beds.

Thrifty Scott Motel. Hwy. 210 & 371, Brainerd, MN 56401. 218-829-0391. 60 units, 92 beds.

White Gables Motel — Route 7, Box 93, Brainerd, MN 56401. 218-829-4832, 8 units, 16 beds.

Americana Inn — 520 South Hwy. 10, St. Cloud, MN 56301. 612-252-8700. 64 units. (just S. of Hwy. 10 & 52) Sauna and indoor swimming pool, courtyard restaurant, cocktail lounge and coffee shop.

Crosstown Motel — 2920 Division, Hwy. 23, St. Cloud, MN 56301. 612-251-2550. 42 units, 2 rooms with kitchettes. (Jct. Hwy. 23, 52 & 152).

Gateway Motel — Off Hwy. 10, 23, & 52., St. Cloud, MN 56301. 612-252-4050. Double decked 35 units, with upper and lower patios.

Germain Motor Inn — 905 St.. Germain, St. Cloud, MN 56301. 612-251-4540. 124 units. Dining room and Kaffee Haus off lobby, car rental.

Holiday Inn — West Division Street (at 37th Ave.), St. Cloud, MN, 56301. 612-253-9000. 162 rooms, swimming pool, sauna, dining room, cocktail lounge.

Kay's Motel — 222 S.E. Lincoln, St. Cloud, MN 56301. 612-252-1742. 41 units, adjoining restaurant. (off Hwy. 10, 23 & 52).

Kleis Motel — 30 S. 25th Ave., St. Cloud, MN 56301. 612-251-7450. 20 units. (Located on Hwy. 23 & 52 at 25th Ave. S).

Leander's Motel — 835 E. St. Germain, St. Cloud, 56301. 612-251-9352. 28 units.

Park Inn Motel — 1112 Division Street, Waite Park, MN (on Hwy. 52), St. Cloud, MN 56301. 612-252-1642. 15 units. Two restaurants within walking distance.

Sunwood Inn — 1 Sunwood Drive, St. Cloud, MN 56301. 612-253-0606. 139 rooms, cocktail lounge, indoor pool, sauna and whirlpool. (Just off Hwy. 52 & 23 on 4th Ave.).

Travel-Wise Motel — Jct. Hwy. 10 & 23, St. Cloud, MN 56301. 612-253-0500. 80 units.

In Memoriam

Final respects and tributes were paid to W. Bruce Walters, one of Utah's finest pitchers and promoters on January 21, 1981. He was 86 years of age.

Bruce spent many hours on the courts helping new and younger players to develop their pitching abilities and instilling in them a determination to become perfectionists.

During his pitching career he won two Utah State championships, winning one using the 1½ turn and the other using the 1¾ turn. His first state title came in 1947 the same year that the World Tournament was held at Murray, Utah.

He was a charter member of the Utah State Hall of Fame.

The sincere sympathy of the Utah State Association and that of the National Association is extended to his two daughters and grandchildren.

Horseshoe pitchers in central Ohio were saddened by the sudden passing of Ted Harris of London, Ohio, Sunday, January 18, 1981. Victim of a heart attack at the age of 71.

Ted did not take the horseshoe game seriously until he was about 50 years of age. By the time he reached 60 he was winning central Ohio Class A meets quite regularly. His qualifying score of 510 placed him in the championship division in the 1972 World Tourney at Greenville, Ohio. He pitched 69.3% ringers in the 35 game round robin. Ted won the Ohio Central District at Hebron in 1975, the Ohio State Class B titles in 1974 and 1976.

The new 6 court layout in Cowboy Park was built by Ted and the London Recreation Department in 1976.

His good humor, fellowship and the keen competitive spirit will be sadly missed by members of the New Rome Horseshoe Club, the Ohio State Association and NHPA who extend to his 3 daughters, Bertha, Phyllis, and Diann and son William and the 17 grandchildren their sincere sympathy.

ANNUAL EASTERN NATIONAL SET FOR JUNE 20-21

By LORRAINE THOMAS

The annual Eastern National tournament will be held at the Outwater park courts in Lockport, New York on Saturday and Sunday, June 20 and 21.

Entry fee will be \$10.00 for men and women plus a fee of \$2.00 for scorekeepers. There will be no entry fee for the Junior. An NHPA card will be required for all. Class A will play an additional playing fee.

Prize money will be: Class A Men — First Place — \$200.00; Class A women — First Place — \$100.00; Juniors trophies only.

Send highest ringer percentage for a 1980 sanctioned tournament to Paul Thomas, 456 Pine St., Lockport, New York 14094. Phone: 1-716-434-1154. If you do not have a 1980 tournament percentage send a 100-shoe score. All entries must be received by June 6, 1981. Games will be 40 point cancellation.

VOLUNTEER PUBLICITY WORKER PROGRAM

I offer to be an NHPA Publicity Worker in my area for 1981. I understand that my only obligation is to do whatever I can with the monthly Publicity in our News Digest.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Send to Bernard Herfurth, 17 Fort St., Northampton, Mass. 01060.

"INDOOR COURT" INFORMATION

By **BERNARD HERFURTH**

I received many requests for information regarding "Indoor Horseshoe Courts" from my January N.H.P.A. publicity article in the Digest.

I am going to try to get the NHPA to put out a format concerning the erecting and managing of an indoor facility.

The following suggestions are from my observations of Ed Domey's successful 10 court Heritage Recreation Center at Sutton, Massachusetts and from information from smaller facilities.

A good first approach to playing indoors perhaps would be the possibility of renting space in a local building, manufacturing warehouse, or what have you. Perhaps a couple of portable courts could be tried out.

I would personally suggest a private enterprise in erecting a building. With an organization or a group managing such a complex could cause problems with difference in opinions. Contrary to this thought, Jim Woodson of Texas was successful in organizing a group to build a "horseshoe country club."

A small building housing four courts perhaps would be the best approach, with the option of adding on courts in the future. It certainly would be more practical to have four courts operating on an almost full time basis rather than eight or more running part time.

After determining how much floor space would be needed for four courts, it would have to be considered how much extra space would be needed for restrooms, snack-bar and spectator seating. Most buildings are the "steel structure" type which are perhaps the most reasonably priced. It should have cement floor throughout with the courts set at floor level (not raised). It is possible that large wood stove would take care of the heating. Depending on the plumbing perhaps heat could be set at minimum when not in use.

A stove should be set close to the plumbing. Some have good luck keeping the clay from freezing by mixing anti-freeze in a radius of a foot and a half around the stake. It is suggested that you experiment with only one box at first to test the results.

Plenty of height is needed in a building to allow for players with high shoes. A few players are like "wild baseball pitchers" that try to pick a man off base by throwing the ball into the "press box."

Sometimes a plastic ceiling can hold down the heat. "Heritage Recreation Center" uses ceiling electric fans to push the rising heat back downward.

Concerning the operation of an indoor facility (1) form NHPA sanctioned league programs; (2) tournaments monthly on weekends, handicap or classes formed by percentages, (3) unused competition time should be reserved for practice pitching.

Bringing the sport indoors would be more impressive to unorganized players to play under the NHPA sanctioned handicap league program! There is only a minimum fee to belong to this program. Full details concerning this successful program can be had by a request for such information from the NHPA league coordinator Russell Gadoury, 44 Edward Road, Watertown, MA 02172, phone 617-924-8068. Leagues can be formed from shops, stores, organizations, churches, etc. The handicap league allows unexperienced players equal chance against seasoned players. These can be sanctioned mixed leagues with women, boys and girls, throwing 30 feet with the men at 40 feet.

At practice time so much per hour is charged with a lesser charge after the first hour.

Some facilities have a volunteer membership plan with donations on an annual basis to help maintain the building.

Ed Domey, owner of Heritage Recreation Center, invites anyone to drive to or fly to Sutton, Massachusetts on a week end of a monthly tournament. Ed will sit down with you and answer questions and give advice from his 7 years of successfully operating his 10 court facility. Write or call Edward Domey, Route 146, Sutton, MA, phone 1-617-865-3657.

TITCOMB TOPS LAVETT OPEN (NO. CALIF.) Y. MAUZEY LADIES

The second annual Flass Lavett Open held on the new Seaside courts on October 26 found Don Titcomb taking top honors in his 11th tournament win of the 1980 season. Running true to his usual script — winning the 1st six and dropping the 7th to his rival, Jesse Gonzales then going on to win the play-off over Gonzales 24-17. Yvonne Mauzey registered a fine 60.4 percent tournament with five straight wins. Vince Maurico, Group 2 — Burgess Group 3 — Art Rector Group 4.

GROUP I — Don Titcomb, 7-1-78.8; Jesse Gonzales, 6-2-76.3; Ed Floyd, 5-2-66.3; Tom Webb, 3-4-64.9; Al Crabtree, 3-4-62.9; Bob Mauzey, 3-4-62.6; Harley Swander, 2-5-58.9; Al Guirriato, 0-7-48.6.

GROUP II — Vince Mauricio, 4-1-46.0; Marty Dunn, 3-2-51.6; Don Forbes, 3-2-47.6; Glen Kelly, 3-2-44.0; Verdan Zelman, 2-3-42.8; Fred Lavett, 0-5-28.4.

GROUP II — Don Burgess, 5-0-46.8; Don Koehler, 3-2-33.6; Mel Falcon, 2-3-28.4; Oscar Overman, 2-3-28.4; Jim Smith, Sr., 2-3-27.6; Paul McNally, 1-4-29.2.

GROUP IV — Art Rector, 6-1-37.4; Marion Hawley, 5-2-35.4; Roy Heyden, 1-5-20.0; Ernie Kim, 1-5-15.0.

WOMEN — Yvonne Mauzey, 5-0-60.4; Carol Van DeVeere, 4-1-42.0; Marilyn Webb, 3-2-41.2; Betty Forbes, 2-3-38.4; Marthe Dunn, 1-4-30.0; Patsy Doolittle, 0-5-12.0.

B. UNGETHEIM IN 2ND TOURNAMENT WIN AT RUSHVILLE, IND.

Playing in his second tournament at the Rush Indoor courts in Rushville, Indiana on February 7th, Bill Ungetheim of Owensville, Ind. edged out Bob May for top spot in the annual Rush Indoor Open tournament. Bill's only loss was to May. Jim Kemple of Rushville was the high single game percentage winner, hitting a nice 88.5 percent.

CLASS A — Bill Ungetheim, 6-1-66.1; Bob May, 5-2-67.6; Jim Kemple, 5-2-65.3; Will McNeece, 4-3-60.8; Estil Bills, 3-4-62.8; Kenny Perkins, 3-4-58.3; George Sales, 2-5-56.2; G.H. Palmer, 0-7-42.2.

CLASS B — Ed Hinshaw, 7-0-63.2; Gib Campbell, 5-2-51.9; Jim Crone, 4-3-54.5; Ed Weyer, 4-3-47.7; Glen Hoppes, 3-4-52.8; Tim Tatman, 3-4-47.5; Jim Pierson, 2-5-46.5; Harold Talman, 0-7-37.0.

CLASS C — Dale Kirtley, 7-0-50.7; Pat Kluesner, 5-2-43.7; Jim McKnight, 5-2-43.1; Bob Hill, 4-3-37.1; Max Guynon, 2-5-32.6; Wayne Irwin, 2-5-27.7; Jim Mikesell, 2-5-19.2; Lloyd Karstens, 1-6-25-2.

CLASS D — Bob Prohaska, 6-0-24.0; Luther Chandler, 4-2-22.9; Lloyd Karstens, 2-4-14.8; Bob Zook, 0-6-11.4.

Junior Class — Steve Bills, 3-0-57.6; Charley Ungetheim, 2-1-53.3; Steve Ungetheim, 1-2-50.0; Phil Bills, 0-3-23.4.

ROBERTS RETURNS FROM MEETING WITH W.T. COMMITTEE

Plans for the 1981 World Horseshoe Tournament are coming along just fine. I just returned from another meeting there with the committee. As you know the delegates at the convention voted to let us use some method other than qualifying to place pitchers in the World meet. We have decided to use the method which about 90% of you use for your tournaments during the year. That is place you based on your past performance. Your tournament or league performance is the best indication of your ability and will place you where you belong. As you know there have been many problems with qualifying in the past. People not hitting as well as they should, people qualifying over their head, cheating, having to arrive at the tournament 4 or 5 days before you pitch, and many others. We also will send every entry a complete schedule of when they pitch by June 25 so that they can make travel plans. This should save you a lot of money.

Another item which will be of interest is that it would be very difficult to pick the top 32 men, top 12 women, top 8 seniors, top 8 intermediates, top 12 girls, or top 12 boys by using averages. Therefore, although I have not gotten it approved yet, I feel confident that the committee will permit me to enlarge all championship groups initially to a high enough number to allow any potential world champion to pitch their way into the top group. For example we could put the top 24 women in the top group and play 11 games with two groups of 12 and after the 11 games the top 12 averages would compose the championship finals with the other 12 going into ladies' class B.

ALECKSON REPORTS FROM CENTRAL MINNESOTA

By Jim Aleckson

When Gene Anderson, Regional Horseshoe Director for Minnesota, asked me to be Assistant Regional Director for Central Minnesota last February, I felt that I had one of the most exciting areas in the country on which to report. Ten years ago, organized horseshoe was nearly non-existent in Central Minnesota, but since then it has grown beyond anything I might have dreamed.

Two couples have been largely responsible for the rapid growth within the past four years. One couple is Henry and Delores Peimesberger of Genola. I guess everyone knows that they built the Preimesberger Arena in Genola, the finest indoor horseshoe pitching building in the country. They have held eleven successful major tournaments at the Arena, including three state tournaments. Next summer, the Arena will be the site of the 1981 World Tournament.

The other couple is Dick and Rosie Leyk of Sauk Rapids. They built Leyk's 3&1 Courts behind their service station two miles east of Sauk Rapids. The twelve-court complex has been the site of four successful major tournaments. They also helped organize the Tri-County Horseshoe League which just completed its fourth season. In 1979, the Tri-County League had 175 members, which was the largest NHPA sanctioned league in the country. They have also organized a horseshoe clinic at the Crossroads Shopping Mall in St. Cloud the past two winters, bringing horseshoe pitching to the public. At the 1980 Minnesota State tournament the first four places in Class "A" Women were from the Tri-County League. They were Phyllis Negaard, Sandy Karasch, Rosie Leyk and Lu Cave. There were two others from Central Minnesota in this class, Beverly Nathe and Debbie Gall. Phyllis, Sandy and Beverly are sisters. How about that.

Others who have helped in the growth of horseshoe in Central Minnesota are Ronn and Phyllis Negaard of St. Joseph with Phyllis bringing a women's world champion to our area last year. She has also won five consecutive state championships. Also, Don Slomkowski of St. Cloud has been President of the Tri-County Horseshoe League since it started and has coordinated a couple tournaments at Leyk's 3&1 Courts. Dennis Carlson of St. Cloud has been very active in the Tri-County League and he did a fine job of coordinating the Minnesota State Tournament this past Labor Day weekend. There are many others, too numerous to mention, who have also helped in horseshoe's growth in Central Minnesota.

This past year horseshoe courts have been springing up around the St. Cloud area with St. Joseph building eight courts, Rice six courts, and Waite Park four courts.

Other horseshoe clubs that have been operating in Central Minnesota are the Little Falls Club that has been operating for a number of years. They are now using the Preimesberger Arena as their home base. Elk River has had an active club for a number of years under the leadership of Jack Klein.

There have been numerous small tournaments that have been held at summer festivals in towns around the area this summer such as Princeton, Cambridge, Foley, and Big Lake. Also, the Benton County Fair in Sauk Rapids has held a tournament for the past ten years.

The news media has given horseshoe a real boost in the area with Bob Wright of the **Morristown County Record** in Little Falls giving excellent coverage of all the tournaments at Preimesberger Arena with pictures and stories. Ralph Wolak and Don Madison of radio station WVAL in Sauk Rapids have been at Preimesberger Arena the past two tournaments and have given live coverage and interviews. They have done a fine job.

In summing up my report, I'll use a headline that I saw in a St. Paul newspaper sports page a couple of years ago, "Horseshoe Pitching Alive and Kicking." In Central Minnesota, horseshoe pitching is not just alive and kicking but it is up and running. With a World Horseshoe Tournament coming here this summer, it's hard to say how far it will go.

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STEINFELDT UNDEFEATED IN PINELLAS COUNTY FLA. OPEN

Horseshoe pitching in January on Florida's Suncoast can at times be an uncomfortable experience. Pinellas County Open, the oldest continuous tournament in Pinellas County, has felt the rath of January for the past seven years. Plagued by cold-icy-winds, rain and any other bad element of weather the man upstairs could muster. Our pleas though unnoticed in the past were finally heard — January 30th broke bright and clear as horseshoe pitchers from around the U.S. and Canada shed shirts, flexed muscles and commenced pitching horseshoes. For two days wins and losses were cherished and old friendships renewed.

Sixty-three horseshoe pitchers gathered at Seminole's Horseshoe Pitching Club Courts on 113th Street North, Seminole, to demonstrate their pitching skills. Not to be denied his place in the Sun, Carl Steinfeldt, past world champion of Clearwater, Florida, showed his supremacy by winning all his games and crowned the tournament champion with a fine 78.6 ringer percentage.

Most unusual was a five-man tie for first place in the Class E division. In this unprecedented occurrence resulting in a five-way play-off and Maurice Rodocker, Ohio, claiming first place; Ray Arthur, Seminole, second place; and Jesse Reed, Indiana, third.

Seminole's next horseshoe tournament will be the Pow-Wow Festival Open, March 13-14, 1981. For information call Mr. Lee Davis (813) 392-8504.

CLASS A — Carl Steinfeldt, Clearwater, 8-0-78.6; Floyd Bartley, Mi., 5-2-69.3; Levi Miller, Sarasota, 5-2-65.7; Frank Bohun, Penn., 4-3-64.5; Dick Ferguson, Sarasota, 3-4-62.8; Marv Richmond, Minn., 2-5-78.0; Joe Holland, Dunedin, 2-5-57.7; Ken Drury, Canada, 0-7-47.9.

CLASS B — Omar Blackter, KY, 6-1-54.0; Len LaBanco, Venice, 5-2-53.4; Bob Widdersheim, Clearwater, 4-3-54.0; John Schlosser, Mich., 4-3-48.1; Marl Goodrich, Iowa, 2-5-48.0; Norman Hahn, Mo., 2-5-52.0; Tom Thayer, Ind., 2-5-47.4; Red Totten, Mich., 2-5-48.0.

CLASS C — Bob Widdersheim, Clearwater, 5-0-55.6; Walter House, Sarasota, 3-2-50.7; Shorty Collins, Dunedin, 3-2-47.9; Andy Doshna, Clearwater, 1-4-43.9; Royce Wucke, Wisc., 1-4-40.2.

PINELLAS COUNTY — (Continued)

CLASS D — Norwood Ramey, Ohio, 4-0-50.5; Charlie Howery, Clearwater, 3-1-43.8; Earle Colgan, Fla., 1-3-45.2; Henry Mullet, Sarasota, 1-3-43.1; Dick Weigel, Clearwater, 1-3-42.8.

CLASS E — Maurice Rodocker, Ohio, 3-2-36.7; Ray Arthur, Seminole, 3-2-42.7; Jesse Reed, Ind., 3-2-40.1; Max Bayless, Ind., 3-2-37.5; George Buskey, Clearwater, 3-2-37.2; Elmer Williams, NY, 0-5-33.5.

CLASS F — John Hess, Bradenton, 5-1-41.2; Pat O'Tyole, Ontario, 4-2-37; Frank Stites, Bradenton, 3-3-43.4; Joe West, Haines City, 3-3-39.2; Cris Miller, Sarasota, 2-4-30.0; Gene Bennett, Mich., 2-4-34.5; John Zhender, Ruskin, 2-4-37.1.

CLASS G — Harry Anderson, IL, 4-2-39.0; Orval Coxan, Canada, 4-2-46.4; Henry Franke, IL, 4-2-38.4; Lou Haley, St. Petersburg, 3-3-43.5; Earl Parr, KY, 3-3-36.2; Lem Tibbie, IL, 3-3-43.0; Ed Schuetz, Wisc., 1-5-27.2.

CLASS H — George Filson, FL, 4-1-30.0; Earle Johnson, Bradenton, 3-2-28.9; Bob Koons, Seminole, 3-2-28.8; Gil Beckemeyer, IL, 3-2-26.4; George Utzman, NY, 2-3-23.0; Jim Pelkey, Wisc., 0-5-23.2.

CLASS I — Harland Bennet, Mich., 4-1-39.0; Clifton Richards, FL, 3-2-36.2; Everett Shippee, 3-2-31.3; Bill Cooper, St. Petersburg, 3-2-28.7; Mike Povich, Seminole, 2-3-23.8; Roger Sutor, FL, 0-5-15.0.

CLASS J — Roland Conrad, FL, 5-0-33.0; Paul Barrett, Quebec, 3-2-21.2; Kay Bayless, Ind., 3-2-17.5; Tom Keltner, Clearwater, 2-3-15.7; Ralph Crawford, IA, 2-3-15.2; Jim Dey, FL, 0-5-9.0.

WEIDRICH, OF OREGON, WINS SEATTLE TURKEY SHOOT

Ben Weidrich of Oregon went undefeated to win the annual Seattle, Washington Turkey Shoot played on the Woodland park courts in Seattle, Washington on November 23rd. He posted a 8-0-71.0 record. Howdy Peterson of Portland was the runner-up.

CLASS A — Ben Weidrich, OC, Oregon, 8-0-71.0; Howdy Peterson, Portland, OR, 6-2-64.0; Ken Elvig, Bellingham, 5-3-63.5; Bill Owens, Mt. Vernon, 4-4-57.3; Les Buchert, Seattle, 4-4-53.7; Ray Brumfield, Lynwood, 3-5-62.6; Brad Peterson, Seattle, 3-5-57.0; Jack Salter, Kelso, 2-6-49.7; Sig Pederson, Seattle, 1-7-48.5.

CLASS B — Frank Woods, Tacoma, 7-2-53.1; Elwood Heine, Kent, 6-3-54.9; Margaret Byfield, Mt. Vernon, 6-3-49.0; Orel Vallen, Seattle, 5-4-52.2; Dan Leary, Seilacoom, 3-4-42.4; Jim Kosterman, Vancouver, 3-4-39.5; John Reedy, Edmonds, 1-6-40.1; Lyle Meuret, Everett, 1-6-39.1.

CLASS C — Bob Hughes, Burley, 5-0-44.6; Charlie Tapper, Kent, 4-1-32.0; Len Huson, Lynwood, 3-2-35.1; George Bannon, Woodinville, 2-3-34.3; John Henson, Anacortes, 1-4-35.2; Sue Ramey, Mt. Vernon, 0-5-28.9.

CLASS D — Frank Errigo, Tacoma, 4-1-35.8; Earl Kupper, Puyallup, 3-2-30.7; Gene Beach, Marysville, 3-2-33.7; John Hilberg, Clinton, 3-2-31.4; Cyril Kitchen, Tacoma, 1-4-36.2; Ken Kuper, Spanaway, 1-4-32.7.

CLASS E — John Byfield, Mt. Vernon, 6-0-33.7; Wes Hathaway, Tacoma, 5-1-37.8; W. Jones, Seattle, 4-2-37.4; Jake Lamatta, Tacoma, 3-3-25.4; Mac Huson, Seattle, 2-4-23.7; Tom W. Worthington, Spokane, 1-5-20.0; John Vandenberg, Seattle, 0-6-15.6.

PROMOTION COMMITTEE REPORT

By SOL BERMAN

"Kidsworld" featuring horseshoes and Mark Dyson will be televised March 7, 1981 (CBA) Saturday afternoon. PM Magazine program will be on the week of March 9, 1981.

Lee Davis attended the National Council of Youth Directors co-sponsored by the Athletic Institute. The publishers of Young Athlete Magazine told Lee that they would publish interesting stories of all youth sports. The Dec.'80 issue earned a picture and story about Mark Dyson.

Lee also spoke to Geo. Gallup, V.P. in charge of programming for ESPN-TV. He said they would look into the possibility of covering the Clearwater, Florida Invitational.

Lee also attended the meeting of the horseshoe committee at the National AAU Convention in Miami, Florida. A report will appear in a future digest.

I have already received a copy of the Kidsworld program (videocassette running about 10 min.).

Videotapes of the 1980 World Championship at Huntsville, AL will be available soon.

RUSS GADOURY HERITAGE CLUB (MASS.) CHAMPION

The phrase that "he come to pitch" or "luck was with him" or "it was his day" all apply to RUSS GADOURY as he won the Heritage Club Championship. The victory, to be, started in the very first game as Russ bested BERNIE HERFURTH by a 35-22 score. It continued on as he beat DEBBIE MICHAUD and VIVIAN DEUSTER and when the going really was tough RUSS turned on the steam and outpitched CHARLIE RICHARDSON with a 74.3% game. At this point he needed a victory in the final game. You guessed it, RUSS pitched an 80% game and defeated MIKE DONAVAN and as luck had it JOE SCHULTZ was losing to CHARLIE RICHARDSON to make RUSS the winner of the coveted Heritage Club Championship.



This particular Tournament has a special meaning, in as much, as the winners get their life size pictures on the walls at Heritage. Little did RUSS know that this was to be his opportunity. The Class B Title was won by JOEY MERRITT; Class C by BOB DEUSTER, Class D by DICK BELANGER; Class E by HARRY SCHRICKER; Class F by CURT KURZONTKOWSKI.

CLASS 1 — Russ Gadoury, MA, 6-1-68.4; Joe Schultz, NY, 5-2-75.1; Charlie Richardson, MA, 5-2-71.7; Bill MacIntyre, NJ, 5-2-70.0; Debby Michaud, MA, 4-3-68.4; Bernard Herfurth, MA, 3-4-62.9; Mike Donovan, NH, 3-4-60.4; Vivian Deuster, NY, 2-5-64.2; Charlie Bonani, MA, 1-6-60.4; Walt Deuster, NY, 1-6-54.3.

CLASS 2 — Joe Merritt, MA, 7-0-55.2; Lisa Deuster, NY, 5-2-54.7; Ray Peloquin, MA, 5-2-54.6; Greg Rutkowski, MA, 5-2-53.0; John Parmenter, MA, 5-2-51.3; Rick Howe, MA, 3-4-54.5; John Layman, MA, 2-5-46.0; Amos Whitaker, MA, 2-5-53.7; Paul Cormier, MA, 1-6-47.9; Mel Merritt, MA, 0-7-36.8.

CLASS 3 — Bob Deuster, NY, 7-0-71.1; Fran Norman, MA, 5-2-50.0; Andy Kurzontkowski, MA, 4-3-51.6; Sam Raymond, NH, 4-3-44.2; Orton Cushman, MA, 3-4-50.9; Dick Shepard, MA, 3-4-45.1; Bill Davis, MA, 3-4-44.1; Bill White, MA, 2-5-43.8; Edgar Cote, MA, 1-6-39.8.

CLASS 4 — Dick Belanger, NH, 6-1-49.3; Barbara McNeill, MA, 6-1-42.3; Bill Dickinson, MA, 5-2-44.6; Art Wayne, NH, 3-4-46.5; Don Harrison, MA, 3-4-36.0; Andy Dominique, MA, 3-4-29.0; Brenda McNeill, MA, 2-5-34.9; Al Doucette, MA, 0-7-29.4. Playoff: Belanger 38 (56%). McNeill 23 (46%).

CLASS 5 — Harry Schricker, MA, 7-0-34.6; Wally Vickers, MA, 5-2-27.6; Charlie Rutkowski, MA, 4-3-25.6; Tony Nacewicz, MA, 4-3-21.3; Jean Begin, MA, 3-4-27.0; Ed Harrington, MA, 3-4-22.7; Bart Sargent, MA, 1-6-17.1; Gerry Begin, MA, 1-6-13.9.

CLASS 6 — Curt Kurontkowski, MA, 5-1-22.6; Chuck McNeill, MA, 5-1-23.1; Dave Wiles, MA, 2-4-20.4; Rick Perham, MA, 2-4-15.2; Bud Whitehouse, MA, 2-4-14.4; Jim Stoll, MA, 2-4-13.1. Playoff: Kurzontkowski 35 (37.5%). McNeill 24 (22.5%).

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PETER CLARK WINS FIRST SERIES OF WINETROUT CLASSIC

In the first series of the annual Winetrout Winter Classic held in Washington, Peter Clark of Port Orchard, Washington topped all comers in Class A with a 7-0-72.3 record. This is the 16th running of the annual event and drew 44 entries filling out six classes. O.B. Hartzell won Class B while Don McDugle won Class C. In Class D it was Marvin Herridge. Class F honors went to Earl Kuper while Mike Miller topped Class F.

CLASS A — Peter Clark, Pt. Orch., 7-0-72.3; Ken Elvig, Bellingham, 5-2-64.3; Ray Brumfield, Lynwood, 4-3-59.2; Les Buchert, Seattle, 4-3-57.1; Sig Pederson, Seattle, 3-4-60.0; Thor Gadwa, Montesano, 3-4-59.0; Art Sperber, Bremerton, 2-5-57.8; Brad Pederson, Seattle, 0-7-54.3.

CLASS B — O.B. Hartzell, Bothell, 6-2-53.8; Elwood Heine, Kent, 5-3-53.8; Dan Leary, Stielacoom, 4-3-51.2; Orel Vallen, Seattle, 3-4-51.8; Bill Owens, Mt. Vernon, 3-4-49.7; Bart Barber, Anacortes, 3-4-48.7; John Reedy, Edmonds, 3-4-45.5; Jack Salter, Kelso, 2-5-44.5.

CLASS C — Don McDugle, Anacortes, 6-1-48.4; Bob Clark, Port Orch., 5-2-48.9; Orlean Clinton, Seattle, 5-2-44.9; Margaret Byfield, Mt. Vernon., 4-3-49.1; Jim Malvern, Marysville, 4-3-39.9; John Henson, Anacortes, 2-5-43.9; Wilson Franks, Tacoma, 1-6-34.9; George Sprague, Kent, 1-6-34.4.

CLASS D — Marvin Herridge, Kent, 5-0-42.4; George Bannon, Woodville, 4-1-40.0; Len Huson, Seattle, 2-3-39.1; Harry Hedin, Kent, 2-3-36.1; Ralph Murphy, Tacoma, 1-4-31.8; Milton Johnson, Tacoma, 1-4-31.0.

CLASS F — Earl Kuper, Puyallup, 6-1-38.7; John Hilberg, Clinton, 5-2-39.8; Gene Beach, Marysville, 4-3-35.7; Mac Huson, Seattle, 4-3-34.3; Ken Kuper, Spanaway, 3-4-35.3; Cyril Kitchen, Tacoma, 2-5-35.2; Charlie King, Anacortes, 2-5-32.2; John Alexander, Bothell, 1-6-28.3.

CLASS E — Mike Miller, Seattle, 5-0-24.9; Bonnie Clark, Pt. Orch., 3-2-20.6; Glenn Titchenal, Seattle, 2-3-24.7; Bruce Huson, Seattle, 2-3-18.7; Dick Pelly, Seattle, 2-3-17.7; John Vandenberg, Seattle, 1-4-16.1.

TYSON REPEATS IN JANUARY THAW AT HERITAGE (MASS)

Art Tyson won his second successive tournament at Heritage Recreation Center in Sutton, Mass., by taking Class 1 with 6 wins, one loss, 76.6% average, and class high game of 83.3%. If he had not defeated Joe Schultz in his final game, a 4-way tie would have resulted. On average, Bob Domey placed second, Bernard Herfurth third, by 0.02% over Norm Rioux, 71.14 to 71.12. We were flabbergasted a month ago to discover how long it had been for Heritage championships for Tyson. You could count on one hand the times he had finished lower than third. But Artie seems now to be making up for those years of frustration. Keep it up, Art. The wins couldn't go to a finer sportsman.

Class 2 was your usual dogfight among equally matched opponents. Mike Donovan had to do a number on Charlie Richardson in a playoff to gain top honors. Class 3 was equally difficult to win, but Pete Prouty managed the affair with but one loss.

The magic of tournaments is that this is the way to find out what kind of pitcher you are. John Belsito didn't think he was all that great shakes as a pitcher. After winning the Turkey Shoot with 45.3% and then repeating in this, his second tournament with 51.4% in Class 4, John now knows what he can do when pushed to it.

After a disappointing outing for Norm Ricard in Class 6 a week ago, Norm wanted to pitch some more. When an opening occurred in Class 5, Norm stepped in and won it, defeating Bob Dorn Sr. in a playoff. This was Norm's first Heritage victory and only his fourth title in five years of tournament pitching. For record keeping purposes, I wish fathers would show more ingenuity in naming their sons. It's bad enough when junior and senior carry about the same average, but when they start switching middle initials so that Bob Dorn senior is the son of Bob Dorn junior, but Bob Dorn senior is not even Bob Dorn III (those middle initials, you know) things start to get confusing.

Paul Morrisette was the big winner in a very close Class 6, averaging 34.5%. Andy Dominique won a 3-way playoff in Class 7 over Barbara McNeill Sr., and Whitey Bates. Grandpa Red Cote swept Class 8 with 27.9%, even though Geraldine (Gerry) Begin pitched 32.8%.

Class 9 was won by Fran Naples, who defeated Al Rowell in a playoff. Newcomer Mauno Petajasoja (Pet-a-ya-sdy-a) swept to victory in Class 10, in his first Heritage outing.

No one had any beefs in the January Thaw tournament, except for the top three in each class, who got all the beefs they could handle.

TYSON—JANUARY THAW (Continued)

CLASS 1 — Art Tyson, NY, 6-1-76.6; Bob Domey, RI, 5-2-77.2; Bernard Herfurth, MA, 5-2-71.1; Normand Rioux, CT, 5-2-71.1; Joe Schultz, NY, 4-3-76.0; Kevin Hollister, VT, 4-3-73.0; Vivien Deuster, NY, 2-5-65.9; Ed Domey, MA, 2-5-61.6; Charlie Bonani, MA, 1-6-65.2; Bill MacIntyre, NJ, 1-6-58.6.

CLASS 2 — Mike Donovan, NH, 5-2-57.8; Charlie Richardson, MA, 5-2-58.0; Bernard Mullady, NJ, 4-3-58.7; Paul Cormier, MA, 4-3-57.0; Ed Risley, NY, 4-3-53.7; Ed Bodinski, MA, 4-3-51.9; Rick Howe, MA, 3-4-60.8; George Trabucchi, CT, 3-4-53.4; Joe Merritt, MA, 2-5-52.1; Bob Deuster, NY, 1-6-45.7. Playoff: Donovan 35 (66.7%). Richardson 18 (52.4%).

CLASS 3 — Pete Prouty, VT, 6-1-59.2; Ray Peloquin, MA, 5-2-57.5; Roger Henson, CT, 4-3-55.4; Art Wayne, NY, 4-3-55.0; Dick Belanger, NH, 4-3-53.9; Paul Schultz, NY, 4-3-53.7; John Belsito, MA, 1-6-37.3; Walt Deuster, NY, 0-7-33.4.

CLASS 4 — John Belsito, MA, 7-0-51.4; Greg Rutkowski, MA, 5-2-51.9; Bill Davis, MA, 5-2-44.2; Fran Norman, MA, 5-2-42.5; Orton Cushman, MA, 4-3-43.0; Bob Dorn, Sr., MA, 3-4-39.2; Sam Raymond, NH, 3-4-36.0; Bill Dupont, MA, 2-5-42.0; Al Latouche, CT, 1-6-41.6; Bill Krawczyk, VT, 0-7-32.2.

CLASS 5 — Norm Ricard, NH, 6-1-43.8; Bob Dorn, Jr., 6-1-38.7; Bill Dickinson, MA, 5-2-39.6; Dick O'Brien, MA, 4-3-37.3; Jay Benton, CT, 4-3-31.5; Warren Hall, NH, 3-4-33.8; Bill White, MA, 3-4-28.8; Joe Guy, MA, 2-5-34.2; Ed Cote, MA, 1-6-32.2; Charlie Rutkowski, MA, 1-6-28.7. Playoff: Ricard 36 (46.5%). Dorn 27 (44.8%).

CLASS 6 — Paul Morrisette, MA, 4-2-34.5; Ray Thebodeau, NH, 3-3-32.7; Brenda McNeill, MA, 3-3-31.9; Bill McMahon, MA, 3-3-31.1; Norm Ricard, NH, 3-3-30.1; Don Perkins, CT, 3-3-29.2; Harry Schricker, MA, 2-4-33.3; Al Rowell, fill in 25.4.

CLASS 7 — Andy Dominique, MA, 5-2-33.8; Barbara McNeill, MA, 5-2-31.3; Whitey Bates, MA, 5-2-26.2; Tom Courtney, MA, 4-3-30.1; Buddy Ploof, MA, 3-4-30.0; Tony Nacewicz, MA, 3-4-29.4; Warren Hall, NH, 2-5-26.4; Bill Ryan, CT, 1-6-25.3.

CLASS 8 — Red Cote, MA, 7-0-27.9; Gerry Begin, MA, 5-2-32.8; Larry Bernard, MA, 5-2-25.2; Ray Towle, NH, 3-4-25.3; Jean Begin, MA, 3-4-19.7; Chuck McNeill, MA, 3-4-23.1; Bill English, MA, 2-5-11.5; Francis Mahoney, NH, 0-7-18.0.

CLASS 9 — Fran Naples, MA, 4-1-21.8; Al Rowell, MA, 4-1-24.3; Doug Tracy, CT, 3-2-21.3; Bud Whitehouse, MA, 2-3-19.5; Reggie Ploof, MA, 1-4-19.3; Don Moreau, NH, 1-4-17.4. Playoff: Naples 35 (22.9%). Rowell 23 (18.7%).

CLASS 10 — Mauno Petajasoja, CT, 5-0-19.1; Frank King, NH, 4-1-16.9; Bart Sargent, MA, 2-3-16.7; Barbara McNeill, Jr., MA, 2-3-14.3; Richard McCarron, NH, 1-4-15.4; Bill Gouin, MA, 1-4-11.7.

G. MINNICK TOPS IN PIMA COUNTY CLASSIC AT TUCSON, ARIZ.

G. Minnick of Tucson, Arizona was the play-off winner over Joe Walker to win the Pima County Classic held at the Reid park courts in Tucson, Arizona on January 10th. Carol Larkins also of Tucson won her first title in Class D pitching against the men. She averaged 32.2 and won all three of her games.

CLASS A — G. Minnick, Tucson, 4-1-56.0; J. Walker, Green Valley, 4-1-51.3; M. Larkins, Sr. 4-1-51.4; Wm. Courtwright, Green Valley, 2-3-45.6; J. Vitton, Tucson, 1-4-44.6; B. Bates, Tucson, 0-5-31.4.

CLASS B — G. Holliday, Green Valley, 5-0-42.5; J. Minnick, Tucson, 3-2-34.7; G. Killingsworth, Tucson, 3-2-33.6; K. Cole, Tucson, 2-3-32.3; M. Larkins, Jr., 2-3-27.6; Wm. Velthoven, Tucson, 0-5-25.0.

CLASS C — R. Weatherly, Tucson, 4-1-33.0; C. Lundeen, Mesa, 3-2-32.9; R. Jones, Mesa, 3-2-30.6; A. Larson, Tucson, 3-2-29.2; G. Nicoll, Green Valley, 2-3-21.4; Don McRoberts, Tucson, 0-5 (forfeit).

CLASS D — C. Larkins, Tucson, 3-0-32.2; F. Morton, Mesa, 2-1-28.1; Geo. Crickman, Tucson, 1-2-13.6; Ollie Haagerson, Mesa, 0-3-16.0.

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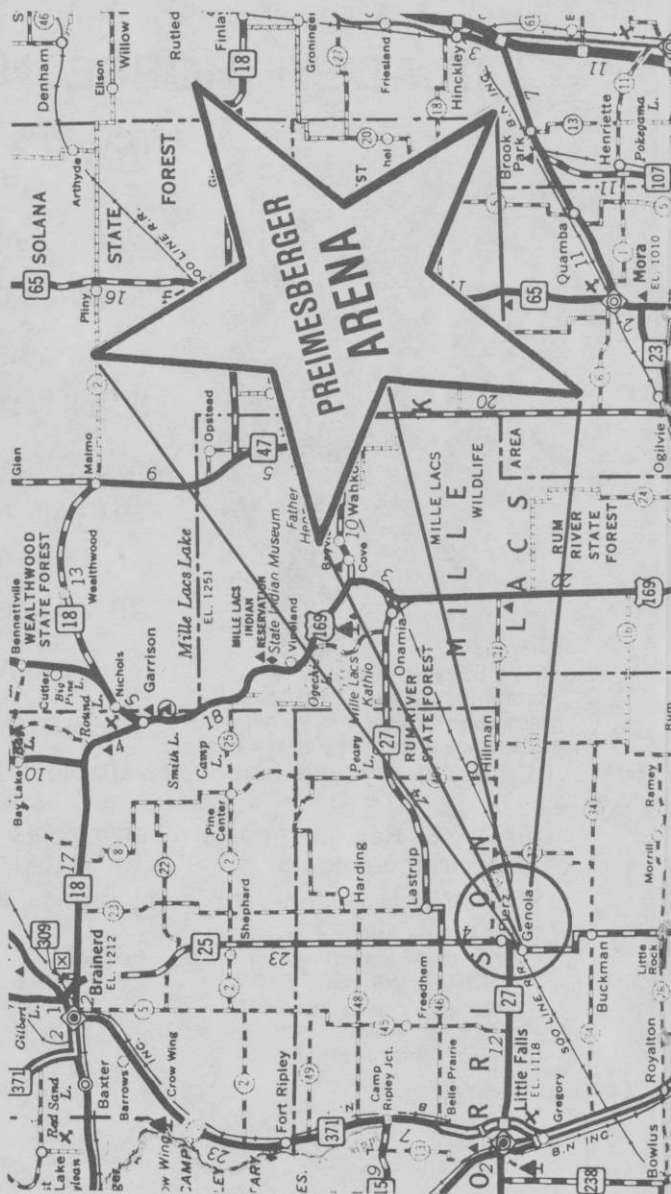
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N.H.P.A. SANCTIONED LEAGUE PROGRAM

It was suggested that "Novice Tournaments" be held in early spring to get new and backyard players into organized pitching.

It is suggested again to run such tournaments and to try to add new members to already organized leagues. From the contestants in these tournaments it would be a good chance to start a "sanctioned" handicap league, or add on new members.

Our sport must grow in numbers of organized participants. Our N.H.P.A. League program is the best possibility of getting new members into organization. It has been successful in the first initial years. Russell Gadourt, League coordinator, has spent much time in the organizing and maintaining of this league. He has taken a big burden off the shoulders of our overworked Sec.-Treas. Donnie Roberts.

Publicity is asking all those that have signed as publicity volunteers and anyone else in their area to take the following March publicity and do whatever they can to help make our sport grow.

The following item is a suggested write-up for your local newspaper. Feel free to add or delete any part of it. Please send me a copy of any article that you get into the newspapers. Send to Bernard Herforth, 17 Fort Street, Northampton, Massachusetts 01060 — Phone (413) 584-2099. Any effort will be greatly appreciated.

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SPECIAL NOTICE — MOORHEAD, MN. ALLARD OPEN DATE

The Moorhead, Minn., Allard Trophy Co., Open tournament has been tentatively set Aug. 16. It would have normally been held Aug. 9, but shifted because of World Tournament Dates.

We are extending a welcome to pitchers going to the World Tournament to stay over and pitch in Moorhead, the only prize money tourney in the area.

DONOVAN & RICARD WIN NEW HAMPSHIRE JANUARY FREEZE

With the outside temperature below zero, M. Donovan and N. Ricard were busy turning on the heat inside as they won their respective classes in the first NHPA Handicap Count-All tournament held in Merrimack, New Hampshire. As there were only two courts available, the tournament was run off in two successive Sundays.

GROUP 1 — M. Donovan, Manchester, 7-0-56; A. Wayne, Manchester, 6-1-59.3; J. Reczko, Nashua, 4-3-29; R. Belanger, Bedford, 4-3-46.3; G. Blais, Nashua, 3-4-27.3; K. Thebodeau, Litchfield, 2-5-23; H. Labine, Nashua, 2-5-18.3.

GROUP 2 — N. Ricard, Hudson, 5-2-33.4; H. Labine, Nashua, 5-2-19.7; K. Thebodeau, Litchfield, 4-3-25.4; J. Styles, Merrimack, 4-3-22.5; W. Wilkie, Nashua, 4-3-29.7; R. Towle, Litchfield, 4-3-17.1; R. Thebodeau, Hudson, 3-4-30.5; G. Blais, Nashua, 3-4-31.1; D. Moreau, Nashua, 2-5-13.4; R. Corbin, Nashua, 1-6-14.2.

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CLASS B — R. Cullum, Fl., 5-0-61.9; E. Morris, Fl., 4-1-50.6; E. Howdeshell, Ind., 3-2-54.1; J. Peterson, Fl., 2-3-47.9; Red Totten, Mich. 1-4-45.1; C. Warner, Fl., 1-4-40.0.

CLASS C — K. Towell, Fl., 5-0-55.1; J. Schlosser, Mi., 3-2-48.6; J. Baugher, 3-2-44.1; H. Mullett, Fl., 2-3-36.5; D. Knotts, Fl., 1-4-37.2; L. Fox, Can., 1-4-37.0.

CLASS D — P. Shortsleeves, NY, 5-2-38.5; P. Gallant, Fl., 5-2-37.7; M. Gillespie, Fl., 4-3-37.1; R. Rollins, Me., 4-3-30.0; S. Larson, 3-4-36.0; C. Bostic, Fl., 3-4-29.1; M. Kreh, 2-5-38.5; J. Keener, 2-5-29.6.

CLASS E — F. Toal, Ill., 7-0-27.4; G. Beckemeyer, 6-1-33.5; D. Carnahan, Fl., 5-2-34.4; C. Brown, Fl., 4-3-25.1; P. Hallstead, Fl., 2-5-15.9; W. Harper, Fl., 2-5-11.1; L. Davis, Fl., 1-6-21.1; W. Wallschlager, 1-6-19.4.

CLASS F — C. Dunlap 5-1-32.4; W. Ballhagan, 4-2-40.7; C. Larson, Fl., 4-2-32.3; J. Wagner, Fl., 3-3-30.0; J. Irey, Fl., 2-4-32.4; E. Hollar, 2-4-30.4; Red Benton, Fl., 1-5-25.1.

MAUZEY MAKES MOVE; SINKS SEVEN SENIORS (NO. CALIF)

It wasn't easy but Sonoma County's Bob Mauzey is now the new Northern California Senior Champion. Big Bob achieved the winner's circle by twice edging tough Monte Latino 51-48 in regular and 50-47 in the playoff. Mate McBride had defeated Bob in the 7th game to force the playoff. The October 11th tournament win on the Mosswood Club courts was also the second straight 60% plus tournament for the fast improving Mauzey.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Bob Mauzey, 7-1-60.6; Monte Latino, 6-2-62.5; Mate McBride, 5-2-57.5; Al Crabtree, 3-4-61.0; George Greeott, 3-4-55.3; Emmet Schroeder, 2-5-50.0; Marshall Johnson, 2-5-48.2; Bob Hanlon, 1-6-53.3.

GROUP 2 — Joe Zoglman, 5-0-40.8; Lou Gayet, 4-1-32.8; Jim Long, 3-2-30.8; John Hagerman, 2-3-20.4; Vern Brightman, 1-4-19.2; Ernie Kim, 0-5-15.6.

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Gary Minnick of Tucson, Arizona won the play-off match over Loren Gillespie of Tremont, Illinois to win the title in the annual Valley of the Sun Warm-Up tournament held at the Pioneer park courts in Mesa, Arizona on January 16-17. Helen Erickson posted 5 straight victories and a 36.3 ringer percentage to win the Ladies championship. Bill Kamm of Illinis, wintering in Arizona, had the high single game with a nice 71.9 percent.

CLASS A — G. Minnick, 4-1-5.5; L. Gillespie, 4-1-54.4; R. Lee, 3-2-53.1; W. Kamm, 2-3-55.0; F. Ash, 2-3-51.1; E. Johnson, 0-5-49.7.

CLASS B — H. Harlow, 4-1-55.8; E. Wilkinson, 4-1-50.0; L. Fitzpatrick, 3-2-50.0; C. Cummins, 3-2-48.8; G. Miller, 1-4-45.4; J. McKissack, 0-5-42.0.

CLASS C — A. Erickson, 4-1-43.2; M. Reheis, 3-2-48.1; L. Hannah, 3-2-43.1; W. Courtwright, 2-3-37.6; P. Shutt, 2-3-36.2; M. Larkins, Sr., 1-4-38.1.

CLASS D — M. Lange, 5-0-43.2; F. Rackley, 3-2-41.3; F. Woods, 3-2-36.8; G. Mitchell, 2-3-37.9; B. Bissell, 1-4-40.1; C. Johnson, 1-4-37.3.

CLASS E — I. Davis, 4-1-52.6; W. Reichard, 4-1-49.7; O. Kubal, 4-1-49.1; J. Northrup, 2-3-41.3; L. Wildman, 1-4-44.4; R. Hughes, 0-5-37.9.

CLASS F — R. Gueck, 4-1-46.7; H. Hoar, 4-1-42.3; J. Stablyk, 2-3-43.2; W. Andrews, 2-3-38.0; W. Jones, 2-3-37.9; W. Fredenburg, 1-4-35.4.

CLASS G — W. Forrester, 4-1-36.4; B. Bajari, 3-2-43.0; L. Ferrin, 3-2-34.4; H. Markwardt, 3-2-32.0; R. Weber, 1-4-36.9; M. Bridges, 1-4-28.3.

CLASS H — M. McKissack, 4-1-36.7; W. Kjellberg, 4-1-36.2; R. Jones, 3-2-30.4; M. Bishop, 3-2-29.7; R. Eller, 1-4-28.0; A. Hoffman, 0-5-18.1.

CLASS I — L. Friesen, 5-0-31.8; R. Halley, 4-1-33.3; A. Ayers, 3-2-31.3; O. Thomas, 2-3-32.6; A. Smith, 1-4-28.8; J. Minnick, 0-5-22.4.

CLASS J — W. Van Zanten, 5-0-48.4; E. Luers, 4-1-32.4; J. Niemitalo, 3-2-35.6; E. Dachtler, 2-3-29.7; C. Roe, 1-4-21.3; C. Wood, 0-5-29.8.

CLASS K — K. Nelson, 4-1-29.0; H. Waltz, 3-2-28.2; L. Bowen, 3-2-25.6; H. Hegarty, 3-2-23.7; V. Christensen, 2-3-19.6; T. Worthington, Forfeit.

CLASS L — W. Roberts, 5-0-29.6; M. Glennie, 4-1-29.2; M. Larkins, Jr., 3-2-30.6; D. McRoberts, 2-3-18.4; C. Fletchall, 1-4-14.2; H. Kolzow, 0-5-18.2.

CLASS M — J. Powell, 5-0-28.1; J. Kronholm, 4-1-21.9; R. Sneller, 3-2-18.1; F. Mulnix, 1-4-21.3; R. Hill, 1-4-18.6; S. Weidner, 1-4-12.2.

CLASS N — D. Taylor, 4-1-23.7; C. Helm, 4-1-20.4; N. Peterson, 3-2-19.9; L. Resseguie, 3-2-17.0; D. Mercure, 1-4-12.2; O. Haagenson, 0-5-10.4.

LADIES CLASS A — H. Erickson, 5-0-36.3; V. Hegarty, 3-2-33.2; D. Stablyk, 3-2-31.6; S. Jones, 2-3-33.2; B. Christianson, 1-4-31.3; F. Morton, 1-4-25.8.

LADIES CLASS B — P. Roe, 5-0-29.4; C. Larkins, 4-1-23.0; L. Nelson, 3-2-21.0; D. Reheis, 2-3-17.9; J. Thomas, 1-4-20.1; P. Langlois, 0-5-3.6.

DOGWOOD FESTIVAL INDOOR OPEN — MAY 2 — QUINCY, ILL.

Bill Heaton, manager of the Franklin Square Indoor courts in Quincy, Illinois announces the last indoor tournament of the winter season will be held at the Franklin Square courts on May 2. Entry fee will be \$10.00 per player. First 36 players will make up 6 classes of six men each. \$3.00 per game won will be awarded plus trophies. Send ringer percentage and score to Bill Heaton, 609 South 19th, Quincy, Illinois 62301. Phone: 217-223-7137.

TITCOMB REPEATS AS NO. CALIF CHAMP: FLOYD CONSOLATION

San Jose's Don Titcomb won still another No. Calif tournament, but this one carried the No. Calif Championship title with it and was a tasty plum for the veteran lefty. Don annexed seven wins as he moved through the field never allowing more than 40 points in any of the 50-point games on the Vallejo club courts. Bill Hoffman of the Shasta club lost only to Don and pitched the two high percent games of the day (84.8 and 82.3%), and the high tournament percentage of 73.9% to place second. Ed Floyd snared the consolation championship over Marty Dunn and pitched the high percent game of 70%.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Don Titcomb, 7-0-73.2; Bill Hoffman, 6-1-73.9; Monte Latino, 4-3-67.8; Bob Mauzey, 4-3-65.6; Tom Webb, 3-4-66.3; Harley Swander, 3-4-60.1; Al Crabtree, 1-6-54.9; Bob Hanlon, 0-7-51.4.

GROUP AA2 — Ed Floyd, 7-0-58.6; Marty Dunn, 6-1-55.4; George Greeott, 5-2-50.6; Joe Zoglman, 4-3-44.0; Jim Keyes, Sr., 3-4-36.0; Don Koehler, 2-5-32.9; Mel Long, Sr., 1-6-33.4; Cruz Sagasta, 0-7-24.3.

SHARON PADDOCK, NO. CALIFORNIA WOMEN'S CHAMPION

To be a NINE in any rating system is extraordinary and Sharon Paddock was just that on the Vallejo Park courts to turn back Yvonne Mauzey's bid to repeat her 1979 Northern California Championship. Sharon of the Rio Dell Club, not only managed nine wins, but also recorded the high tourney percent of 63.7 and high game of 71.9%. Virginia Sturla caused the first rift in Yvonne's quest to repeat by unloading a 61% game against the California Champ, and Yvonne was left with a do-or-die ninth game against Sharon. However, the new champ wasn't to be stopped as she unleashed a 67.7% game to wrap up the win. Vera Floyd, a perennial high finisher in every Ladies tournament this season had to withdraw from the tourney due to ill health.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Sharon Paddock, 9-0-63.7; Yvonne Mauzey, 7-2-56.3; Virginia Sturla, 7-2-50.9; Flora Jones, 6-3-39.2; Carol Van DeVeere, 5-4-44.2; Leona Anderson, 4-5-34.7; Marilyn Webb, 3-6-40.6; Marthe Dunn, 2-7-26.4; Betty Forbes, 2-7-33.6; Vera Floyd, Forfeit.

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NORTHERN CALIF. JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP WON BY MEL LONG

It went down to the last pitched shoe as Mel Long Jr. and Jim Keyes III battled for the coveted Junior Boys Title and when the 77th and 78th shoe had been lofted and counted, the victory was a scant point, 50-49 for Mel. Jim did capture the high tournament percentage honor (47.3%) and the high game of 52.9%. Long and Keyes had each won 3 tournament titles, and the No. Calif Jr. Championship was the rubber match between the two top juniors. Gregg Pawlowski, who had won twice during the season placed 3rd.

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP — Mel Long, Jr., 5-0-39.8; Jim Keyes, III, 4-1-47.3; Gregg Pawlowski, 3-2-31.8; Anthony Keyes, 2-3-28.4; Nick Pawloski, 1-4-14.2; Joe Long, 0-5-5.4.

NO. CALIF. GOLDEN GATE CLASS C WON BY DON BURGESS YVONNE MAUZEY WINNER IN LADIES CLASS

Don Burgess of Hollister parlayed five straight wins and a showy 50% tournament average into a Golden Gate Class C win on the 18th of October. Jim Smith Sr. of the home club was second. Don also had the high percent game of 62%. Gordon Hammerud also went 5-0 to take Group II honors. California Ladies Champ, Yvonne Mauzey, engineered 6 straight wins to take the Women's Championship. Marilyn Webb of Rio Dell fell one point short to Yvonne in the winner's only close encounter. Turlock's Carol Van DeVeere placed second.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Don Burgess, Holl., 5-0-50.0; Jim Smith, Sr., G.G., 4-1-42.4; Art Rector, Moss, 2-3-30.0; Don Koehler, G.G., 2-3-27.2; John Hagerman, SonCo, 1-4-22.8; Mel Falcon, Holl, 1-4-21.6.

GROUP II — Gordon Hammerud, G.G., 5-0-32.4; Ceres Perry, T.V., 3-2-32.4; Arnie Peters, SonCo, 2-3-26.8; Wally Wahwoetten, SonCo, 2-3-22.4; Eldon Bryhan, SonCo, 2-3-22.4; Ernie Kim, Moss, 1-4-21.2.

WOMEN — Yvonne Mauzey, SonCo, 6-0-59.3; Carol Van DeVeere, Tur, 3-3-38.0; Marilyn Webb, R.D., 3-3-37.6; Lucie Hanlon, SonCo, 0-6-27.0.

DON TITCOMB WINNER OF GOLDEN GATE TITLE (NO. CALIF.)

San Jose's Don Titcomb pitched 78% plus on the Golden Gate Park courts in San Francisco to wrap up his ninth tournament win of the No. Calif season. Jesse Gonzales challenged Don in the last game as he needed a win to force a tie. However, the diminutive flip-flopper went down to defeat on the last pitch 27-30. Jesse did pitch the tournament high % game of 88%. Bob Mauzey pulled the surprise of the day by downing Gonzales 26-23 in the first round with a 76% game. Holland Payne was top man in Group II on this beautiful Bay Area October afternoon edging out Vern Gosney. Golden Gate club members wrapped up Group III as Don Koehler edged teammate Gordon Hammerud.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Don Titcomb, 7-0-78.9; Jesse Gonzales, 5-2-79.4; Tom Webb, 4-3-68.0; Bob Mauzey, 4-3-68.0; Ed Floyd, 4-3-64.3; Harley Swander, 3-4-59.4; Bob Hanlon, 2-5-55.1; Verdan Zelmair, 0-7-50.3.

GROUP II — Holland Payne, 7-0-46.9; Vern Gosney, 6-1-56.3; Ben Yost, 4-3-46.9; George Greeott, 4-3-46.9; Chuck Rodriques, 3-4-33.4; Frank Cravalho, 2-5-34.9; Jim Smith, Sr., 1-6-44.3; Mel Roberts, 1-6-36.3.

GROUP III — Don Koehler, 5-0-40.4; Gordon Hammerud, 4-1-32.8; Gene Castro, 3-2-28.4; Art Rector, 2-3-35.6; Marion Hawley, 1-4-21.2; Ernie Kim, 0-5-16.4.

ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY OPEN — MAY 25 — PEORIA, IL

The Peoria Horseshoe Club will host its annual Memorial Day Open tournament on Monday, May 25, at the Bradley Park courts in Peoria, IL. Eight 8-man classes will be scheduled with Classes E, F, G and H starting at 9:30 a.m. and pitching 40 point games. Classes A, B, C and D will begin play at 1 p.m. and pitching 50 point games. Trophies will be awarded to the top three places in each class.

The entry fee will be \$6.00 payable at starting time. Classes A and B will pay an extra \$3.00 per entry for a prize fund to be distributed to the top three finishers in their class.

All players will keep their own score and ringer percentage on the Peoria Club's scoring devices. All entries should be in the hands of R.A. Switzer, 2811 West James Road, Peoria, IL 61615. Phone 309-691-2521 before 9 a.m. on the tournament day.

FINALS OF YUKON, OKLAHOMA MIXED HANDICAP LEAGUE

The Yukon, Oklahoma Horseshoe Club had 23 pitchers in the 1980 Handicap League. They had 7 teams of 3 players each plus substitutes. They played with an 85 percent handicap. Some teams had sponsors others did not. Substitutes were Doretta Morgan and Ferd Castrop. League champions were the Lucky Stones with 40 wins and 44 losses. Team members were H. Crist, R. Christner and T. Vayghn.

Lucky Shoe, H. Crist R. Christner, R. Vayghn, 40-14-0; **Yukon Trophy**, D. Walrod L. Fordyce J. Sharp, 29-23-2; **CCI Chemical**, J. Walrod K. Eisenhour R. Eisenhour, 28-26-0; **Murry Trio**, B. Murry J. Stropek B. Privett, 27-26-1; **The Ringers**, R. Privett M. Shrouf G. Shrouf, 27-27-0; **Brewers Optometrist**, C. Brewer I. Brewer S. Lonacre, 19-34-1; **The Mudslingers**, J. Perault P. Bradley O. Edwards, 17-37-0.

High average, Mens, Charles Brewer — 52%; High average, Women's, Janet Walrod — 49.5%; High game scratch, Men's, Charles Brewer — 114; High game scratch, Women's Janet Walrod — 110; High game Handicap, Men's, Harold Crist - 166, and Larry Fordyce — 166.

High game Handicap, Women's Janet Walrod — 162; Player of the year, Women's Jacky Sharp. Most improved Player, Women's Thelma Vayghn — 7 points; Most improved Player, Roy Christner — 5 points, and Bob Murry — 5 points.

SOMETIMES EVEN THE GOOD GUYS MAKE MISTAKES

By Jim Woodson of Texas

For sometime now I have been trying to put on paper that maybe, just maybe, I made a mistake. Which is no fun, let me tell you; in fact, it's a pain in the backside.

But on with it. Several years back I shared some views in the Digest that didn't take kindly to the newly announced handicap league designed and promoted by Rus Gadoury and actively supported by National NHPA Secretary, Donnie Roberts. It was a judgement call and, at the time, a good one, I thought. Then last summer I had an opportunity to become a curious and intersted spectator at the Lakeside Club in San Antonio, Texas. Big Daddy Clyde Gerdson got things rolling for the Junior Summer Vacation League by receiving NHPA sanction as part of the NHPA League and Club Program. Clyde kept the league records, and along with wife Donna, Jesse Brown and Cliff Jenschke they joined in a solemn pact to be kind of low key adult mafia until the kids settled down and the league settled in. The game plan of this gang of four was to show up each week to keep things under control and to offer support, but after the first week or so mostly they just stayed out of the way. The youngsters took control almost from the start. The league players learned quickly how to read the round robin schedule, kept their own scores as they pitched, and did a pretty good job of resolving minor rumbles on their own. The result of all this being that the ambitious adult management plan was more or less reduced to posting the bulletin board and handing out pocket change for soft drinks.

My role in all of these goings-on was to secretly count the casualties as the 12 or maybe 14 pre-teen and teen age boys and girls dropped out after a few struggling weeks. But those darn kids crossed me up and kept coming back. Even worse, each week saw some new eager youngsters wanting to join in the fun.

Like Gadoury said all along about his League and Club Program idea, the kids (and others) really go for those certificates and patches and awards. How did he know that!! Anyway, it's the truth, because at the end of the league they gave out awards and everyone showed up to receive their NHPA Certificate of Achievement, their Percent-Game patch and, if their prayers were answered, one or more of the many individual awards that could be earned through excellence; such as High Average patch, High Game with Handicap patch, Most Improved Player buckle, etc.

I have to admit that everyone had a great time. And I have to admit also that their enthusiasm and excitement could not be explained away as merely youthful exuberance because, dang it, following the Junior League play the men had a handicap league of their own. And when the league finished up, the men showed excitement about their Certificate of Achievement and their Percent-Game patch, and everything else just like the youngsters before them. So what do you think about that!! Anyway, like I said at the start, maybe I made a mistake about the NHPA Sanctioned League/ Club Program.

REGIONAL CHAIRMAN'S SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT (PART TWO)

By Claude White, Jr.

Clarence Giles, our RD from Utah, reports that he has received very favorable comments from players re our patches with the year. Also comments that Utah had a very good season in that they increased their membership and established, for the first time, a Ladies Division and a Doubles Division. They have a deaf mute playing in the Utah chapter and are looking for a new system of score calling. There seems to be some hesitation among a lot of people in trying something new.

Paul Gibson, our Illinois RD, reports that he has been on different speaking engagements with various clubs, including new people interested in forming clubs. Paul has shown some home movies of the World Tournaments there and spoke of the NHPA. He's also sent promotional material to four different Knights of Columbus groups in Indianapolis. He drove 400 miles in order to attend a meeting in Indiana where he gave a little speech and passed out NHPA literature. Paul had originally suggested that Illinois, Indiana and Michigan hold a Regional Tournament of Champions after their respective State tournaments. It was agreed to by two of the States so far.

Casey Moubray, Assistant RD writes that Michigan has established a Publicity Committee and their director, Merle Sibley, is sending all information to the Digest. The Capital City Club of Lansing members are donating money and are also busy getting sponsors to co-sponsor one of the money tournaments. They are also exploring the possibility of indoor courts. In addition, they are working with a representative of the Lansing school system and he has a flier from them that he will distribute to the schools for them. They also have an active newsletter THE RINGER REPORT. They list some unsanctioned tournaments close by, when the sanctioned ones are too far away; this also is an ideal time to ask a non-member to play and maybe join the Club or Association. Camp Atterbury has 18 indoor courts with plenty of parking space and a campground nearby, plus some playground equipment and outdoor practice courts nearby.

Don Koso says that George Englemann of Southwest Iowa reports that at the Sac County Fair they held their second horseshoe tournament. This time they also had a children's tournament with 17 big entries. At the Alta Fair, it was boys, girls and ladies' singles (27 boys and girls), with over 140 entries, \$550.00 in trophies and cash. At the Spencer Fair tournament they had 134 players taking part in 335 contests sharing \$1,860 in trophies (63) and cash. In this 15 years of Spencer tournaments they've gone from \$500 to \$1,860. Since these tournaments started, Alta (16 years) and Spencer Fair associations have paid out over \$20,000 in trophies and cash. They have had very good promoters in the State. There were 83 tournaments in Iowa last year. This is what makes me believe Iowa is The Horseshoe State. Every town has courts; almost every town around here includes a horseshoe tournament with their own town celebrations. For many towns, a horseshoe tournament is the first horseshoe play in the community. I believe league play and county fairs and State fairs play a large part in exposing the sport to the public. Last year at Spencer they got bleachers and that aided in holding spectators' interest longer. It was found that the top players are *not* the only ones who entertain the public, as people continually watched those 40% and under players. Spencer had 281,000 people at their Fair, so where else can we expose the sport any better.

The success of horseshoes at Spencer Fair helped the State Fair to include horseshoes every day they were open. Don says they had 900 or so in Minnesota in mini-sanction but they don't do so well for NHPA membership. Their State dues are \$1.00 and they have 200 people. Our dues are \$5.00 and we have over 300 State and NHPA members. Some members were lost when the dues went to \$5.00. Most people say they get nothing back from the National so why join. He feels the National needs to add local community ties in getting started with pamphlets. To Don, the biggest need is still on the local level. When your local level grows everything else will grow. This is a vast country and there are still more communities not playing the game as we are playing. We are growing, but not as we should. He enclosed a picture of the 1979 Buena Vista County Fair Children's Tournament. They had 22 boys and 5 girls. Don feels this is one of the larger groups of boys and girls in the nation outside of State and National tournaments. The thing that strikes him most is that he has trouble keeping them off the courts when adults are playing. He has four pair of horseshoes and they are continually in use. He needs a competitive-type shoe designed like the pros. Two-thirds of these youngsters don't have parents interested in purchasing shoes for them.

Having the problem of keeping youngsters off the courts makes him realize that interest can be there if we, as players, go out of our way to help these youngsters. I guess we, as members, each need to adopt one or more for a season. This is the most important need for future growth of the sport. Once a youngster learns to make a few ringers, his interest will increase. He's hoping the National might be interested in printing this.

Ed Yankowski also has been instrumental in all kinds of horseshoe articles and pictures appearing in local newspapers. Ed is one of our own, and the originator of the NHPA logo. I'm asking him to submit a brief story as to how the idea came to him. Ed, as you may know, has various types of round robin score sheets that he developed and has sent to many people. He has also distributed many pencils, inscribed with the NHPA logo, free of charge. Ed has done a tremendous job. The NHPA needs to create an additional image to attract new members and to hold the old. Also, maybe more of the pitchers who drop membership after one year will be induced to renew. One good place to start is to make the NHPA presence felt at the State Championships — all of them. The Wisconsin Association was provided with all the necessary game forms,

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round robin score sheets, pencils, adhesive name patches and clipboards finished in National Blue. The NHPA game, logo and color appeared on everything; so not only does the NHPA give something, it is getting some highly visible advertising in return. A couple of years ago when discussion centered on regional tournaments with heavy NHPA cash subsidies for prizes, he comments in writing that State championships were NHPA publicity gems in the rough and deserved to be polished. It should be done for all the States. Not only does it render a service; it is reasonable in cost. From a selfish point of view, it pays in returned awareness and good will.

J. Bryan Fuller, RD of North Carolina and Jack Springer are working to get a chairperson in each county in North Carolina. They have appointed more than 25 with over 60 more to go. Several clubs have been formed or are in the process of being formed. Bryan, North Carolina's State Champ, has had 2 TV appearances already. The horseshoe pitchers in McDowell County have rented a very nice building for year round pitching. This should be a great help in promoting horseshoes in that area. Bryan is going to try to work with Mark Dyson, a Junior World Champion, to help with demonstrations in the grammar and high schools in his area. They hope to get a good Juniors program going through the schools.

Herb Pinch, our RD from Pennsylvania, is one of our most-traveled Directors. Herb has been very active in traveling around, attending different tournaments in various parts of the country. It seems that Herb and his wife, Dorothy and his son, Bob, have been very instrumental in contacting KIDSWORLD and having them do a story on Mark Dyson. Herb not only has Assistant RDs working for him, but his family as well! Herb was also elected into the Mercer County Hall of Fame in Sharon, Penna.

N.H.P.A. PUBLICITY NEWS

Bernard Herfurth asked and received the following article from Albert Ryan, former U.S. Ambassador to Niger, Africa and retired Asst. Secretary-General of the United Nations.

TOGO INAUGURATES HORSESHOES

In March of 1980 the American game of horseshoes was inaugurated in the African country of Togo by AGOUDAVI Afantsen, a former employee of the United States ambassador to the Republic of Niger from 1964 to 1968, Robert J. Ryan. Several officials of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association of America have recently been contacted by Ambassador Ryan concerning the growing interest in horseshoes in Togo and of the desire of the Togolese players to establish contact directly with United States and other country horseshoe pitching associations.

How did Agoudavi Afantsen, called Andre by his American friends, get started with horseshoes? The simple answer is that Ambassador Ryan, who carried horseshoes with him when he went to Niger in 1964, taught Andre the game in Niamey, Niger in 1965 and gave Andre a set of horseshoes in 1968 when Mr. Ryan left Niger to work with the United Nations in New York. Andre left Niger, a neighboring country to Togo, in the early 1970's and returned to his native Togo carrying with him the set of horseshoes. Together with these and a new found interest, Andre started to teach some of his Togolese friends the game. From that start more and more Togolese got interested with the result that the one set of horseshoes was required to work overtime to accommodate the growing interest in the game. With this growing interest Andre went to the Minister of Youth and Sports in Togo to get his help to get the game some official support. When the Minister agreed to help in late 1979, Andre wrote to Ambassador Ryan, who now makes his home in Ormond Beach, Florida, and asked for a copy of the official rules, court dimensions and information on where sets of horseshoes could be purchased.

Ambassador Ryan, whose exposure to horseshoes started in the farming community of Hatfield, Massachusetts in the 1920s, informed Andre that he would provide six sets of horseshoes to Togo. The sets were purchased from Sears Roebuck and were transported to Lome, the capital of Togo, by Mr. Brian Kirkpatrick, Deputy Chief of the U.S. Embassy in Togo. They arrived in Lome in February 1980.

The Togolese under Andre's tutelage organized and trained six teams and got a league started. The game was officially inaugurated by two teams on March 2, 1980, under the sponsorship of the Lome branch of the Togolese youth organization. The participating teams were

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uniforms in Togo's national colors. Approximately two hundred persons, including representatives of the Togo government and the U.S. Embassy, looked on while representatives of the television, press and radio recorded the event. In July the two top league teams played a championship match, which was won by the Invinceables, captained by Andre. Well over 300 spectators watched the championship match. Interest in the game continues to grow with employees from private companies now desirous of organizing teams. Copies of the articles which appeared in the Lome newspaper, LA NOUVELLE MARCHE, with photographs, have been sent to Messrs. Herfurth and Davis of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association.

Plans are being made for Ambassador Ryan to meet with Florida representatives of the Association, including Florida's Regional Director, Lee Davis and Chairman of the National Publicity Committee, Bernard Herfurth, who will be in Florida in January 1981. In his conversations with Association officials Mr. Ryan has indicated that he hopes that official contact can be established between our U.S. Association and the Togolese group and that further assistance can be provided to the horseshoe players (called in French, le jeu du fer a cheval) of Togo. — Submitted by Robert J. Ryan, Assistant Secretary General of the United Nations (retired).

MAY WINS NEW YEARS INDOOR OPEN AT RUSHVILLE, IND.

Although the weather was cold on Jan. 3-4, competition was close on the courts at the Rush Indoor courts in Rushville, Ind. Bob May was the winner with 6 wins and one loss. George Sales posted the high single game with a cool 81.0 percent.

CLASS A — Bob May, Glenwood, 6-1-65.0; George Sales, New Castle, 5-2-61.9; Bob Sheppard, Rushville, 5-2-56.7; Jim Kemple, Arlington, 4-3-57.6; John LeMond, Anderson, 3-4-61.3; Estel Bills, Connersville, 2-5-54.4; Max Roseberry, Marion, Ohio, 2-5-44.7; Chad Mays, Kenton, Ohio, 1-6-47.6.

CLASS B — Ed Hinshaw, Richmond, 4-1-52.0; Jim Crone, New Lisbon, 4-1-54.3; Kenny Perkins, Rushville, 3-2-51.4; Dale Kirtley, Modoc, 2-3-46.6; Harold Tatman, Greensburg, 1-4-50.0; Jim Pierson, Mooresville, 1-4-45.4.

CLASS C — Tim Tatman, Hartsville, 4-1-42.0; Kenny Gray, Economy, 3-2-38.8; Bob Steimel, Bicknell, 3-2-33.3; Bob Hill, Shelbyville, 2-3-36.7; Bob Prohaska, Porter, 2-3-34.7; Floyd Karstens, Rushville, 1-4-20.7.

UTAH STATE ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES

By Clarence Giles

Due to there being no Utah State Secretary, the following tournament results were never sent into the News Digest for publication.

WAHLIN MEMORIAL — CLASS A — Clarence Giles, 6-0; Henry Benson, 5-1; Richard Buchanan, 3-3; Jack Raymond, 3-3; Lamont Gardner, 2-5; Ken Percy, 1-1-6; Charlie Bugger, Forfeit.

CLASS B — Gary Hughes, 6-1; Doyle Peterson, 4-3; Jim Cronkite, 4-3; Tito Archuletta, 3-4; Al Nichol, 3-4; N. Grove, 3-4; Nolan Benson, 2-5; Bill Shelton, 2-5.

CLASS C — Bruce Eyre, 6-1; Ken Gary, 5-2; Joe Oborn, 4-3; Frank Turner, 4-3; Nate Barney, 3-4; Rudy Labotta, 3-4; Harlow Griffith, 3-4; Harlow Peterson, 0-7.

CLASS D — Dennis Ohms, 6-0; Art Ballingham, 5-1; Russ Horan, 4-2; Don Quick, 3-3; Don Ekstrom, 2-4; Hans Seibold, 1-5; Bruce Crane, 0-6.

CLASS E — Willard Lindsay, 5-0; Ron Peterson, 4-1; Duane Brunger, 3-2; Steve Mecham, 2-3; Hugh Hatcher, 1-4; Mike Hennesey, 0-5.

CLASS F — Esmund Ballingham, 6-9; Brent Larson, 4-2; Don Ohms, 4-2; Carol Ohms, 0-6.

ARCH STOKES MEMORIAL — CLASS A — Henry Benson, 5-1; Clarence Giles, 4-2; Lamont Gardner, 4-2; Frank Minster, 4-2; Jack Raymond, 2-4; Gary Hughes, 1-5; Al Nichol, 1-5.

CLASS B — Nolan Benson, 5-0; Bill Shelton, 4-1; Ken Gary, 3-2; Doyle Peterson, 2-3; Ken Percy, 1-4; Bruce Etre, 0-5.

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CLASS C — Lonnie Guess, 7-0; Marvin Collier, 6-1; Joe Oborn, 4-3; Rudy Labotta, 3-4; Julian West, 3-4; Keith Erickson, 3-4; Frank Turner, 1-6; Bruce Lindow, 1-6.

CLASS 1 — Nate Barney, 4-1; Russ Horan, 4-1; Don Quick, 4-1; Wilford Lindsay, 2-3; Art Ballingham, 1-4; Marlow Peterson, 0-5.

CLASS E — Bruce Crane, 5-1; Ron Peterson, 5-1; Hans Seibold, 4-2; Joe Earnhart, 3-3; Hugh Hatcher, 3-3; Esmund Ballingham, 1-5; Gene Schmidt, 0-6.

MOESINGER MEMORIAL — CLASS A — Clarence Giles, 4-0; Henry Benson, 3-1; Dick Backer, 2-1; Richard Buchanan, 1-2; Jack Raymond, 1-2; Nolan Benson, 1-2; Jim Cronkite, 1-2; Gary Hughes, 0-3.

CLASS B — Dennis Ohms, 4-0; Bill Cronkite, 3-1; Tito Archuletta, 2-1; Doyle Peterson, 2-1; Bill Shelton, 1-2; Harlow Griffith, 1-2; Lonnie Guess, 0-3; Charlie Bugger, 0-3.

CLASS C — Marvin Collier, 6-0; Ken Gary, 4-2; Al Nichol, 3-3; Bruce Eyre, 3-3; Nate Barney, 3-3.

CLASS D — Bruce Lindow, 5-1; Rudy Labotto, 5-1; Frank Turner, 4-2; Hans Siebold, 4-2; Bob Ekstrom, 2-4; Lars Peterson, 1-5; Blaine Bingham, 1-5.

CLASS E — Bruce Crane, 3-1; Ron Peterson, 3-1; Willard Lindsay, 2-2.

CLASS F — Wilbur Couch, 3-0; Ron Gardner, 2-1; Esmund Ballingham, 0-3.

BRADENTON, FLA. OPEN WON BY FRANK BOHUN

With beautiful weather prevailing, Frank Bohun went about the job of putting a 5-1-64.9 record together to win the Bradenton Open played on the new Kiwanis park courts in Bradenton, Florida. Levi Miller was the runner-up with 4-269.9.

CLASS A — Frank Bohun, 5-1-64.9; Levi Miller 4-2-69.9; Floyd Bartley, 4-2-69.0; Marv Richmond, 3-3-61.6; Ken Drury, 3-3-56.7; Paul Scheub, 1-5-58.7; Joe Holland, 1-5-51.6.

CLASS B — Dick Ferguson 5-1-58.9; Red Lotton, 3-3-53.4; Walt Pickard, 3-3-51.7; J. LaBanco, 3-3-47.8; Paul Swartz, 3-3-47.6; Bob Wiedeershein, 3-3-45.9; Bill Wade, 1-5-49.3.

CLASS C — Omar Blacheter, 5-1-54.9; John Schlosser, 5-1-55.4; Geo. Tako, 4-2-50.9; Howard Lea, 4-2-47.8; James Oshey, 1-5-41.8; F. Gore, 1-5-40.8; Marion Collins, 1-5-40.6.

CLASS D — Ken Reeb, 5-0-44.9; Wilbur Rocke, 3-2-42.5; Chas. Lentz, 3-2-41.2; Melvin Ringger, 3-2-38.5; Henry Mullet, 14-32.0; Rex Swinson, 0-5-36.9.

CLASS E — Walter House, 6-0-52.4; Jay Hoyer, 5-1-50.6; Milt Kreh, 4-2-45.3; Ray Arthur, 2-4-44.0; Earl Colgan, 2-4-42.5; Harry Clement, 2-4-36.0; Vern Holland, 0-6-28.8.

CLASS F — Warren Early, 4-1-38.4; W. Coxon, 3-2-42.5; Chas. Howery, 3-2-42.2; Dick Weigel, 3-2-40.3; Ray Cochran, 2-3-37.0; Evert Shippe, 0-5-22.7.

CLASS G — Joe West, 5-1-39.6; Maurice Rodocker, 4-2-44.8; Wm. Packard, 4-2-36.9; Ivan Gilman, 3-3-43.0; John Zehnder, 3-3-35.0; Chris Miller, 1-5-34.4; Frank Stiles, 1-5-33.6.

CLASS H — Phil Law, 5-0-56.1; Harold Shaw, 4-1-41.3; Jene Bennett, 3-2-39.9; Louis Haley, 2-3-34.1; Harry Anderson, 1-4-34.6; Rowland Conrad, 0-5-26.9.

CLASS I — Ronnie Ronemus, 5-0-44.2; John Hess, 4-1-39.4; Ervin Stranton, 2-3-34.4; Dick LaPeer, 2-3-31.1; Joe Morgan, 1-4-33.4; Les Long, 1-4-29.5.

CLASS J — Len Libbe, 5-0-43.2; A.M. Burg, 4-1-40.2; Ed Schueb, 3-2-31.8; Jim Pelkey, 2-3-30.7; Len Schounard, 1-4-20.6; Mike Povick, 0-5-29.9.

CLASS K — Gib Beckmeyer, 4-1-38.8; Wm. Cooper, 3-2-29.9; Norman Gasean, 3-2-28.9; Charlie Brown, 2-3-30.1; Lee Davis, 2-3-29.2; Roger Sutor, 1-4-21.8.

CLASS L — Geo. Felson, 5-0-32.4; Paul Barrette, 3-2-21.8; Chas. Helmuth, 3-2-15.0; Ralf Crawford, 2-3-21.7; Tom Keltner, 2-3-17.7; Jim Dey, 0-5-9.6.

CLARENCE GILES WINNER OF 1980 UTAH STATE TITLE

Due to there being no Utah State Secretary, the Utah State results were not sent into the News Digest until now.

Clarence Giles of Riverton, Utah, fashioned seven straight victories to win the 1980 Utah state championship, to retain his title. Myrt Lovendahl also of Riverton, mustered double ringers at the end of the first and third games to come up with the Women's championship.

LADIES CLASS — Myrt Lovendahl, 3-1; won play-off. Carol Ohms, 3-1; Vicki Robertson, 2-2; Connie Bunnell, 2-2; Sandra Boyington, 0-4.

CLASS A — Clarence Giles, Riverton, 7-0-65; Art Hunsaker, Deweyville, 6-1-58; Richard Buchanan, Midvale, 5-2-45; Dick Backer, Salt Lake City, 4-3-54; Jack Raymond, Sandy, 3-4-48; Nolan Benson, Clinton, 2-5-32; Henry Benson, Ogden, forfeit; and Bill Cronkite, Salt Lake City, forfeit.

CLASS B — Charlie Bugger, Kearns, 8-1-54; Dennis Ohms, Cedar City, 7-2-47; Gary Hughes, Taylorsville, 6-3-44; Lamont Gardner, Deweyville, 5-4-39; Jay West, Granger 5-4-38; Bruce Lindow, Granger, 4-5-35; Harlow Griffin, Newton, 4-5-34; Rudy Labotto, Salt Lake City 3-6-40; Al Nichol, Pleasant Grove, 3-6-33; Joe Oborn, Bountiful, 0-9-28.

CLASS C — Jim Cronkite, Salt Lake City, 9-0-49; Marv Collier, West Point, 5-3-40; Bill Shelton, Taylorsville, 4-4-41; Doyle Peterson, Ogden, 4-4-40; Keith Erickson, Salt Lake City, 4-4-40; Bruce Eyre, Salt Lake City, 4-4-34; Olie Lindsey, Provo, 3-5-33; Rus Horan, Orem, 2-6-34; Ken Gary, Granger, 2-6-34; Lars Petersen, Ogden, forfeit.

CLASS D — Tito Archuletta, Sandy, 6-0-39; Charlie Johnson, Grantsville, 4-2-34; Nate Barney, Riverton, 4-2-33; Darwin Knudson, Salt Lake City 4-2-27; Hans Seibold, Sandy, 2-4-26; M. Peterson, Ogden, 1-5-24; R. Peterson, Ogden, 0-6-22.

CLASS E — Art Ballingham*, Ogden, 3-1-34; Willard Lindsay, Midvale, 3-1-26; Allen Giles, Riverton, 2-2-28; Steve Mecham, Ogden, 1-3-18; Blaine Bingham, Ogden, 1-3-17. *Won play-off.

CLASS F — Bruce Crane, South Jordan, 6-0-18; Joe Earnhart, Sandy, 4-2-18; Hugh Hatcher, Salt Lake City, 4-2-16; Wilbur Couch, Sandy 3-3-13; Gene Schmidt, Salt Lake City, 3-3-12; Esmund Ballingham, Ogden, 1-5-12; and Mike Hennessy, Ogden, forfeit.

1980 FINAL STANDINGS OF BLOOMINGTON, MINN. LEAGUE

By Robert Kraft

CLASS A — 1st — SLIDERS — Hughes, D. Hughes, G., Miller, Vober, 77-49; 2nd — SOFT SHOES — Lipovsky, Reuter, Zakrzewski, Bertsch, 66-60; 3rd — TOPPERS — Ulku, S., Ulku, E., Nick, Hegg, 62-64; 4th — HOOKERS — Moran, Kraft, Hanson, Allen, 61-64; 5th — DOUBLES — Olson, Al, Gabbert, Berg, Olson, H., 58-68; 6th — FINGERS — Skoglund, Olson, G., Wade, Granos, 53-73.

CLASS B — 1st — SINGLES — Nelson, W., Nelson, N., Briley, Macht, 73-44; 2nd — CLOBBERS — Anderson, Higgins, Kern, Loechler, 68-48; 3rd — RINGERS — Flasch, Edel, Kobald, Moe, 58-48; 4th — LEANERS — Rylander, Noleen, Hubred, Peszynski, 54-62; 5th — STAKES — Karlovich, Zabel, Pilger, Stevens, 51-59; 6th — PEGS — Bolduc, Heaver, Pich, Loos, 50-58; 7th — POINTERS — Gengcoff, Olchefska, Christen, Watson, 46-67.

CLASS C — 1st — SLINGERS — Abeln, Brady, Moriarty, Jacobsen, 68-49; 2nd — KLINGERS — Ammann, Walker, Knee, Loomer, 68-49; 3rd — DEAD EYES — Pope, Senn, Newville, Parks, 60-52; 4th — IRONS — Campion, R., Prindle, Grunewald, 60-57; 5th — DIAMONDS — Faircloth, Brunner, Neutz, Nordby, 53-64; 6th — HARD SHOES — Narlock, Krumrei, Klos, Delaney, 48-69; 7th — STEELES — Liiga, Swanson, Savage, Rosendahl, 43-60.

WOMENS CLASS — 1st — DAISIES — Hughes, L., Androff, Piehl, Handschug, 69-39; 2nd — LILIES — Hughes, D., Hughes, Deb, Williams, Campion, 67-41; 3rd — MUMS — Krumrei, Narlock, Kelsey, Knudsen, 63-45; 4th — ROSES — Beck, Johnson, Kelehan, Otto, 65-52; 5th — IRIS — Nelson, Craft, Bertsch, Bachman, 60-57; 6th — VIOLETS — Ulku, Kraft, Heaver, Lipovsky, 55-53; 7th — MARIGOLDS — Kern, Loechler, Nordby, Goebel, 54-63; 8th — TULIPS — Vober, Higgins, Savage, Darud, 50-67; 9th — PANSIES — Rudd, Wade, Jacobson, Pich, 19-89; Note: Women's teams did not all play same number of games.

MOST IMPROVED PLAYER — Class A — Al Olson, 5.3% increase, 56 to 61.3%. Class B — Don Kern, 9% increase, 18 to 27%. Class C — Colin Moriarty, 14% increase, 5 to 19%. Women Class — Debbie Hughes, 11% increase, 22 to 33%.

HIGHEST AVERAGE — Class A — Dave Hughes, 73%. Class B — Vern Bolduc, 28%. Class C — Cy Narlock, 20%. Women Class — Lynn Hughes, 48%.

HIGHEST GAME SCRATCH — Class A — Dave Hughes, 84%. Class B — Vern Bolduc, 46%. Class C — Cy Narlock, 38%. Women Class — Evelyn Vober, 62%.

TOURNAMENT CHAMPS — Class A Mens — Stan Ulku. Class B Mens — Cy Narloc. Womens Class — Vi Higgins.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR — Gene Hughes.

SOUTHEASTERN OHIO DISTRICT TITLES TAKEN IN TOW

By Reno An Roberts Families

Opal Reno continued her World Championship form by soundly defeating her opponents and averaging 85.4. She had games of 90.6 and 92.1 enroute to the District title in Bainbridge.

Gary Roberts was victorious in the Men's Championship while Ottie Reno took Class B honors. Robert Hawk went undefeated in Class C.

Donnie Roberts, Jr., was the Boys Champion and Audrey Reno topped the Girls Division.

CLASS A WOMEN — Opal Reno, 5-0-85.4; Helen Roberts, 4-1-69.4; Ruth Kirk, 3-2-52.7; Janet Reno, 2-3-32.5; Avanelle Brown, 1-4-20.0.

JUNIOR BOYS — Donnie Roberts, Jr., 5-0-46.6.

JUNIOR GIRLS — Audrey Reno, 3-0-58.7; Susan Roberts, 2-1-45.6; Lorena Reno, 1-2-38.7; Brenda Reno, 0-3-21.6.

CLASS A MEN — Gary Roberts, 7-0-74.5; Gene Reno, 5-2-63.5; Lawrence Miller, 5-2-62.2; Harold Wipert, 4-3-58.6.

CLASS B MEN — Ottie Reno, 4-3-55.0; Tom King, 2-5-44.0; Kenneth Hawk, 1-6-34.5; David Hawk, 0-7-33.7.

CLASS C MEN — Robert Hawk, 6-0-30.7; Carey Maddux, 4-2-23.9; David Leach, 2-4-18.5; Danny Wicker, 0-6-12.3.

C. POSEY — BILL JOSEPH DUO WINS INDOOR MEET IN TEX.

Twenty-four horseshoe pitchers played in a doubles tournament at the Viles Valley Ranch Indoor Horseshoe Pitching Courts recently. The courts are located on the Lloyd Viles ranch near Huckabay, Texas, and are among the only indoor courts in the Southwest.

After regular play and trophies were presented for the first and second place winners in each class.

CLASS A — 1st PLACE — Charlie Posey, Arlington, and Bill Joseph, Houston, 4-1; 2nd PLACE — Coke Bowker of Azle, and Dave Powell of Tyler, 3-2; 3rd PLACE — Glen Morris of Arlington and Chet Bingham of Fort Worth, 3-2; 4th PLACE — Lloyd Viles of Stephenville and George Meyer of Dallas, 2-3; 5th PLACE — Jeff Gaston of Irving and Dean Campbell of Arlington, 2-3; 6th PLACE — Stan Smith of Del Rio and Bobby Williams of Arlington, 1-4.

CLASS B — 1st PLACE — Jean Helmers of Stephenville and Bob Emerson of San Antonio, 5-1; 2nd PLACE — Ron Thomas of Arlington and Charles Caito of Arlington, 4-2; 3rd PLACE — Sammy Helmers of Stephenville and Ken Rice of Arlington, 4-2; 4th PLACE — C.A. McBrearty of San Antonio and Leah Posey of Arlington, 2-3; 5th PLACE — Cliff Jenschke of San Antonio and Jackie Joseph of Houston, 1-4; 6th PLACE — Vernon Kennedy of Stephenville and Pat Emerson of San Antonio, 1-4.

NO. CALIF. TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS WON BY TITCOMB; LADIES TITLE TO YVONNE MAUZEY—L. GONZALES, JUNIORS

Don Titcomb was terrific in the second annual No. Calif. Tournament of Champions. After winning six straight on the Ryland park courts in San Jose, he lost a 106-shoe game to Jesse Gonzales, then won the play-off 42-37 in a 92-shoe heart-stopper. Gonzales won the high game honors with a 91.2 game. Bob Mauzey became the Class A champion as he registered his 5th straight 60 percent plus tournament. Vince Maurico topped Class B with a 5-0 record. Don Burgess was on top in Class C with his 2nd tournament win. Class D was copped by Don Koehler. In the Ladies class it was Yvonne Mauzey current Calif. ladies champ, who staved off fast-improving Virginia Sturla to win with a perfect record of 5-0-53.2. In the Junior class Lisa Gonzales, daughter of Jesse Gonzales came out on top with a perfect record of 3-0-34.0.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Don Titcomb, 6-1-75.9; Jesse Gonzales, 5-2-78.7; Tom Webb, 2-4-64.1; Fred Lavett, 0-6-42.5.

CLASS A — Bob Mauzey, 5-1-64.0; Mate McBride, 4-2-63.0; Ed Floyd, 3-2-62.0; Marty Dunn, 3-2-59.2; Verdan Zelman, 1-4-51.2.

CLASS B — Vince Mauricio, 5-0-50.4; Holland Payne, 3-2-56.4; George Greeott, 3-2-50.4; Bill Victorino, 2-3-45.6; Don Forbes, 2-3-43.6; Chuck Farrell, 0-5-39.2.

CLASS C — Don Burgess, 4-0-47.0; Carl Newsom, 2-2-45.0; Marion Hawley, 2-2-26.0; Jim Smith, Sr., 1-3-35.5; Bill Henry, 1-3-35.0.

NO. CALIF. TOURNAMENT — (Continued)

CLASS D — Don Koehler, 5-0-48.4; Barak Wright, 4-1-30.4; Joe Novakovich, 2-3-28.4; Wally Wahwoetten, 2-3-27.2; Dick Pawloski, 1-4-21.6; Jim Cosgrove, 1-4-8.8.

WOMEN — Yvonne Mauzey, 5-0-53.2; Virginia Sturla, 4-1-54.0; Marilyn Webb, 3-2-39.6; Betty Forbes, 2-3-38.0; Lucy Hanlon, 1-4-27.2; Genevieve Lavett, 0-5-23.6.

JUNIORS — Lisa Gonzales, 3-0-34.0; Gregg Pawloski, 2-1-38.0; Jesse Gonzales, Jr., 2-1-16.0; Jim Smith, Jr., 0-3-1.3.

BILL HOFFMAN WINS NO. CALIF. TURKEY SHOOT — YVONNE MAUZEY AGAIN WINNER IN WOMEN'S DIVISION

The final No. California tournament of the 1980 season is history and Bill Hoffman of the Shasta Club had his finest hour as he registered a 71.7% tourney to go undefeated on the Stockton courts on a sunshiny November 2nd Ed Floyd was second with a nicely fashioned 6-1 clocking. Vince Mauricio won his 3rd straight group title to take Group II with a 6-1 record. Group III went to Marshall Johnson. Group IV to Ray Mittlesteadt, Group V to Don Koehler, and Group VI to Dick Pawloski. Yvonne Mauzey won still another ladies conflagration by edging Sharon Paddock 34-28 in a playoff after Sharon had won in regulation play. Betty Forbes took Ladies Group II honors and Gregg Pawlowski was the top junior.

CHAMPIONSHIP — Bill Hoffman, 7-0-71.7; Ed Floyd, 6-1-62.3; Tom Webb, 4-3-63.7; Walter Krowel, 4-3-59.1; Marty Dunn, 3-4-60.3; Bob Mauzey, 2-5-62.0; Herb Rushing, 2-5-56.3; Bob Hanlon, 0-7-42.0.

GROUP II — Vince Mauricio, 6-1-54.0; Emmett Schroeder, 5-2-57.1; Holland Payne, 4-3-48.9; Verdan Zelmar, 4-3-46.9; Glenn Kelly, 3-4-49.4; Juke Basham, 2-5-50.0; Don Forbes, 2-5-46.9; Joe White, 1-6-42.3.

GROUP III — Marshall Johnson, 6-1-47.7; Joe Zoglman, 5-2-45.4; Ben Yost, 5-2-42.6; Chuck Farrell, 4-3-45.1; Carl Newsom, 3-4-43.1; Harold Hoar, 3-4-40.3; Jim Smith, Sr., 1-6-34.0; Bob Malley, 1-6-33.1.

GROUP IV — Ray Mittlesteadt, 7-0-41.4; John Hintzman, 6-1-40.6; Pete Donoho, 3-4-37.4; Bill Paddock, 3-4-34.3; George Palmer, 3-4-34.0; Lou Bayer, 3-4-32.6; Marion Hawley, 3-4-32.6; Art Rector, 0-7-32.3.

GROUP V — Don Koehler, 5-0-35.2; Le Thornhill, 3-2-30.0; Cruz Sagasta, 3-2-27.6; Ceres Perry, 2-3-29.6; Elton Cowsels, 1-4-26.8; Jim Long, 1-4-20.8.

GROUP VI — Dick Pawloski, 5-1-27.2; Al Alvisto, 4-2-31.2; Jim Adams, 3-1-25.0; Bill Howard, 2-3-20.0; Vern Brightman, 1-4-15.0.

WOMEN CHAMPIONSHIP — Yvonne Mauzey, 5-1-51.7; Sharon Paddock, 4-2-60.3; Virginia Sturla, 3-2-52.0; Carol Van DeVeere, 2-3-40.0; Leona Anderson, 1-4-37.6; Flora Jones, 1-4-37.2.

WOMEN GROUP 2 — Betty Forbes, 5-0-38.0; Marilyn Webb, 3-2-43.2; Edith Zoglman, 3-2-34.4; Lucie Hanlon, 3-2-30.0; Marthe Dunn, 1-4-26.4.

JUNIORS — Gregg Pawloski, 2-0-41.0; Nick Pawlowski, 0-2-9.0

DARNOLD SWEEPS THRU FRANKLIN SQUARE OPEN — ILLINOIS

Harold Darnold of Burlington, Iowa, made a clean sweep of Class A in the Franklin Square Indoor Open tournament held on those indoor courts in Quincy, Ill. on January 10th. He posted the high single game percentage of 92.1. Dusty Rhoades of White Hall, Ill. was the runner up.

CLASS A — H. Darnold, 5-0; C. Rhoades, 4-1; C. McClain, 2-3; S. Jackson, 2-3; B. Heaton, 1-4; B. Campbell, 1-4.

CLASS B — W. Simmermaker, 5-0; P. Carlisle, 4-1; J. Reeves, 3-2; J. Jackson, 2-3; O. Metz, 2-3; R. Davidson, 0-5.

CLASS C — P. Carlisle, 4-1; H. Bozard, 3-2; B. Bouyea, 3-2; D. Lewis, 2-3; J. Hightower, 1-4; T. Miller, 1-4.

CLASS D — B. Marshall, 5-0; K. Powers, 4-1; C. Schuermann, 3-2; R. Rightle, 1-4; J. Davis, 1-4; L. Junk, 1-4.

CLASS E — R. Davidson, 6-1; J. Jackson, 5-2; B. Thomure, 4-3; F. Archer, 4-3; P. Peddicord, 4-3; F. Burnham, 3-4; J. Killy, 3-4.

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COMING EVENTS

FLORIDA SCHEDULE

NHPA and State membership card required. Entry fee \$6.00. Send to proper contact 7 days before tournament date. Players will pay scorekeepers 25 cents per game. Those who drop out after deadline will forfeit their entry fee unless tournament is cancelled.

March 7 — Florida East Coast Open, Titusville, FL. Contact (K). 50-shoe Count-All tournament.

March 6-7 — Manatee Open, Bradenton, FL. Contact (H). First day of tournament for pitchers 40% & under.

March 14 — Race City Open, Sebring, FL.

March 13-14 — Seminole Pow-Pow, Seminole, FL. Contact (C). First day of tournament for pitchers 40% & under.

March 21 — Orlando Open, Orlando, FL. Contact (I).

March 20-21 — DeSoto Open, Bradenton, FL. Contact (H). First day of tournament for pitchers 40% & under.

March 27-28-29 — "Chief Charley's" U.S. Invitational Clearwater, FL. Contact (B).

April 4 — Bee Ridge Open, Sarasota, FL. Contact (D).

April 4 — Central Florida Ridge Open, Winter Haven, FL. Contact (L).

April 11 — Atlantic Coast Open, New Smyrna Beach, FL. Contact (G).

April 18 — Florida State Tournament (Closed), Clearwater, FL. Contact (F).

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INDIANA'S WINTER INDOOR SCHEDULE

Rush Indoor Courts — Rushville, Indiana

(2nd floor—Coco-Cola Co.) 131 1/2 W. First St.

March 7-8 — March Chrisman Special Open, Entry fee \$7.00, 35 points.

April 4-5 — Henry Franke Special Open, Entry fee \$7.00, 35 points.

April 25-26 — Indoor State Entry fee \$9.00. Top class 50 points others 35.

Send all entries to Robert L. Reid, State Sec., 34 N. Beechwood Ave., Scottsburg, IN 47170. Phone 812-752-2195. Phone deadline: Sunday before; Mail deadline: 10 days before.

EASTERN MONTANA SCHEDULE

May 31—Froid
June 14—Fairview
June 28—Ekalaka

July 12—Culbertson
July 19—Plentywood
July 26—Glasgow

Aug. 2—Wolf Point
Aug. 16—Sidney Invitational

For further information on Eastern Montana Tournament, contact D. Buxbaum, P.O. Box 423, Sidney, Montana 59720.

FAYETTE COUNTY (PA.) SCHEDULE

253 So. Mt. Vernon Ave. UNIONTOWN, PA 15401

The club's new rules and regulations permit us, as Tournament Directors, to accept only the FIRST 36 PAID ENTRANTS. In other words, first come, first serve. Our tournaments will be a 6 Man Round Robin, all games will be 50 point cancellation with 1 point apiece for 4 Dead up to 40 points, and hopefully 6 classes depending upon participation. We will notify you by mail as to pitching time and day.

Entry fee of \$8.00 and highest percentage must accompany your entry 10 days prior to tournament date, NO TELEPHONE CALLS WILL BE ACCEPTED. There will be no refund of entry fee if unable to attend.

March 13-14-15 — Alex Burns, Box 476, New Salem, PA 15468, 412-245-8600.

April 24-25-26 — Warren Early, 110 Delaware Ave., Uniontown, PA 15401, 412-437-6925. Or Casey Danner, Box 288, Newell, PA 15466, 412-938-2397.

May 15-16-17 — Neil Koontz, R.D. 2, Box 32, Hopwood, PA 15445, 412-438-2116.

Coming Events—Continued

ARIZONA SCHEDULE—1980-81

FOR ALL TOURNAMENTS, except the Valley of the Sun, entries will be **LIMITED TO 84 men and 12 women**. Qualifying percentage will decide.

Mar. 13-14 — Snowbird Open. Entries close Mar. 7. Mail to Ralph McCarty, 5334 East Hermosa Vista Drive, Mesa, Arizona 85205. Phone 602-985-1525.

ENTRY FEES: \$4.00 (except \$7.00 for Valley of the Sun; with an extra \$3.00 for Class A qualifiers).

HERITAGE RECREATION SCHEDULE SUTTON, MASS.

March 8 — Edgar Landry Memorial, 35% and under.

March 15 — Edgar Landry Memorial, 36% and up.

April 5 — Easter Ham Shoot, 35% and under.

April 12 — Easter Ham Shoot, 36% and up.

April 26 — Heritage National, 35% and under.

May 2-3 — Heritage National, 36% and up. Special Guest Pitcher.

May 24 — Club Championship (Members only)

Entry fee: \$10.00. All entries accepted will be notified by postal card.

OPDYCKE INDOOR COURTS

North Wayne Street (behind McDonald's) Angola, Ind. Send all entries to Don Opdycke, Box 56, Pleasant Lake, IN 46779. Phone 219-475-5215. Phone deadline Sunday before, Mail deadline 10 days before.

March 21-22
April 18-19

NORTH CAROLINA SCHEDULE

April 24-25-26 — 13th Annual Carolina Dogwood Festival Open, Lakewood Park Courts, Statesville, N.C.

May 23 — Iredell County Singles and Doubles tournament, Closed, Statesville.

June 13 — North Carolina NHPA Singles and Doubles Open, Lakewood Park, Statesville, NC.

July 4 — Old Fashioned 4th of July Tournament, Miller Park courts, Winston, Salem, N.C.

July 18 — North Carolina, 4-man Team County Open, Lakewood Park, Statesville, NC.

PREIMESBERGER ARENA SCHEDULE

Rt. 2, Pierz, MN 56364

Phone: 612-468-6638 or 612-468-2345

Mar. 21-22 — 3rd Annual St. Patrick's Open, Sign up deadline, March 11. Send entries to: Henry Preimesberger, Rt. 2, Pierz, MN, 56364.

May 23-24-25 — 1st Annual Memorial Day Open. Sign up deadline May 13. Send entries to: Henry Preimesberger, Rt. 2, Pierz, MN 56364.

July 4-5 — 4th Annual 4th of July Open, Sign up deadline June 24. Send entries to: Henry Preimesberger, Rt. 2, Pierz, MN 56364.

July 30-Aug. 9 — WORLD TOURNAMENT. More information later. Also watch the NEWS DIGEST for

Entry fees will be given on the tournament flyers. Admission will be charged at all tournaments. All entrants will receive free admission button. Additional information will be on the tournament flyers.

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All classes 8-man (if possible). round-robin using 50 point cancellation with each player receiving 1 pt. for each 4-dead which stops at 40 points. Scorekeeper will be paid 25¢ per game from each player.

Top 4 classes will always play on the first weekend. Class A will always be Sat. Nite. There will be a women's tournament on Friday nite at 7 p.m. on the second weekend of each event, tournament awards given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

MISSOURI TOURNAMENTS

June 28 — St. Joseph open, St. Joseph, Missouri. Entry deadline, Friday, June 26. Send entries to Ray Cavin, 1824 Holman, St. Joseph, Missouri 64507. Phone: 816-233-3243.

Sept. 4-5-6 — Missouri State Tournament, St. Joseph, Missouri. Send entries to Ray Cavin, 1824 Holman, St. Joseph, Missouri 64507. Phone: 816-233-3243.

Sept. 27 — Midland Open tournament. St. Joseph, Missouri, Send entries to Ray Cavin, 1824 Holman, St. Joseph, Missouri 64507. Phone: 816-233-3243. Deadline for entries, Sept. 25.

July 30-Aug. 9 — World Tournament, Genola, MN

Aug. 15 — North Carolina Recreation and Park Society Singles Open, Lakewood Park, Statesville, N.C.

Aug. 28-29-30 — Winston-Salem Work Horse Open, Miller Park, Winston, Salem, NC.

Sept. 19-20 — 12th Annual Statesville Autumn Open, Lakewood Park, Statesville, NC

Sept. 26 — Statesville Fall Round-Up Open tournament, Lakewood Park, Statesville, NC

tourney information.

Sept. 5-6-7 — Minnesota State Tournament. Tournament Directors: Erwin Tischer Family, Rt. #1, Box 267, Good Thunder, MN 56037. 507-278-3424. More information later.

Oct. 31-Nov. 1 — 4th Annual Halloween Open. Sign up deadline — October 21. Send entries to: Henry Preimesberger, Rt. 2, Pierz, MN 56364.

Nov. 28-29 — 3rd Annual Thanksgiving Open. Sign up deadline: November 18. Send entries to: Henry Preimesberger, Rt. 2, Pierz, MN 56364.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL ENTRIES MUST HAVE RESIDENT STATE ASSOCIATION CARD!

Coming Events—Continued

OHIO STATE SCHEDULE

April 25-26 and May 2-3-9 and 10—Indoor Ohio State (Sanctioned). Send entry fee of \$10.00 and pct. to Donnie Roberts, 9439 Camp Creek Road., Lucasville, OH 45648. NO PHONE CALLS.

May 23-24—Memorial Open, Xenia, OH (Sanctioned). Deadline May 10. Contact Ken Waggoner, 476 Cottage Grove Ave., Xenia, OH 45385. Ph. 513-372-1500. Entry fee \$8.00 and pct. to Ken Waggoner.

May 30-31—Northfork Open. St. Louisville, Ohio. Classes A, B, C, and D. (Sanctioned). Deadline May 24. Entry fee of \$8.00 and pct. to Clark Robinson, 207 Newton Avenue, Newark, OH 43055. Phone: 614-366-1608 or Howard Robinson Box 31, St. Louisville, OH 43071, Ph. 614-745-5786.

June 5-6-7—Kenny Dawes Memorial, Washington, CT, House, Ohio. Classes A, B, C, D (Sanctioned). Deadline May 31. Send \$8 fee and pct. to: Lester Stephenson, 617 Damon Dr., Washington, Ct. House, OH 43160
Phone 614-335-4707 or to Earl Rea, 7651 Camp Grove, C.E., Good Hope, OH 43121. Ph. 614-335-1754.

June 13-14—Silver Dollar Open, Lancaster, OH. Classes A,B,C,D (Sanctioned). Deadline June 7. \$8 fee and pct. to Weldon Martin, 611 Edgewood, Lancaster, OH, 43130. Ph. 614-654-1817.

June 20-21—Hebron Open, Hebron, OH. Classes A,B,C,D (Sanctioned). Deadline June 13. \$8 entry fee and pct. to: Phil Hummel, 5099 Fallsbury, Newark, OH 43055. Ph. 614-345-3655.

June 26-27-28—Marysville Open, Marysville, OH. Classes A,B,C,D (Sanctioned). Deadline June 20. \$8 entry fee and pct. to: Garland Glassburn, 137 First St., Marysville, OH 43046. Ph. 513-642-0641.

June 26-27-28—Baker Curley Memorial Open, Toledo, OH. (Sanctioned). Deadline June 20. \$8 entry fee and pct. to Jerry Wheeler, 3341 Plainview Drive, Toledo, OH 43615.

July 3-4—Annual Greenville Ringer Classic. City park Courts, Greenville, OH. NHPA Sanctioned. Qualify at courts on Friday, July 3 starting at 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, July 4 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. Tournament starts as soon as the qualifying is over. Sign in time is 12 noon on July 4.

July 11-12—Fort Hamilton Days, Hamilton, OH. Classes A, B, C, D, sanctioned. Deadline July 5th. Send entry fee of \$8 and percentage to: Al Davis, 1240 Western Avenue, Hamilton, OH 45013. Phone: 513-895-4523.

July 18-19 Piqua Open, OH. Classes A,B,C,D (Sanctioned). First 48 men ONLY. Deadline July 11. Trophies only Playoff in Class A only. All six man classes. Send \$7 entry fee and pct. to Francis Asher, 1425 Mulberry St., Piqua, OH 45350. Ph. 513-778-1031.

Sept. 3-4-5-6-7—Annual Ohio State Tournament, City park courts, Greenville, OH. NHPA Sanctioned. Entry fee \$6.00, trophies and cash prizes. Qualifying at courts. NO RE-QUALIFYING. Qualifying begins Thursday, September 3, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 4, 2 p.m. to 11 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 5th, 8 a.m. to 12 noon. All players MUST be signed in by 12 noon on Saturday and qualified by 12:30 pm. All boys and girls signed in by 12 noon on Saturday. Scorekeepers MUST be paid 25 cents per game before start of each game. Convention meeting immediately after qualifying is done. Tournament play will start following the meeting.

Sept. 12-13—Chillicothe Open. Classes A,B,C,D (Sanctioned). Deadline Sept. 6. Entry fee of \$8 and pct. to Tom King, 63 Page Rd., Chillicothe, OH 45601. Ph. 614-733-1993.

VIRGINIA SCHEDULE

February 14-15 — Red Britten Open, Richmond, Virginia.

May 23-24 P Apple Capitol Open, Winchester, Virginia.
May 30 — Golden Olympic, (Virginia residents only), Elmont, Virginia.

June 13-14 — State Doubles, Petersburg, Virginia.

July 4-5 — Elmont Open, Elmont, Virginia.

July 18-19 — Hill City Open, Lynchburg, Virginia.

August 8-9 — Dublin Open, Dublin, Virginia.

September 5-6 — State Singles, Lynchburg, Virginia.

September 12-13 — Raymond Frye Open, Winchester, Virginia.

For information contact: Les Singhass, Secretary-Treasurer, 1607 Valley Avenue, Winchester, Virginia 22601. 703-667-7433 or 667-7351.

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May 2 — Dogwood Festival Indoor Open tournament, Franklin Square Indoor courts, Quincy, Illinois. 1st 36 players, 6 classes. \$3.00 per games won plus trophies. Send pct. to Bill Heaton, 609 So. 19th, Quincy, Ill. 62301. Ph. 217-223-7137.

May 25 — Annual Memorial Day Open tournament, Bradley park courts, Peoria, Ill. Send entries to R.A. Switzer, 2811 West James Road, Peoria, Ill. 61615. Ph. 309-691-2521.

June 13 — Annual Tremont Turkey Festival Open tournament, Tremont, Illinois. New location (one block north of old courts). 1st 48 players to reg-

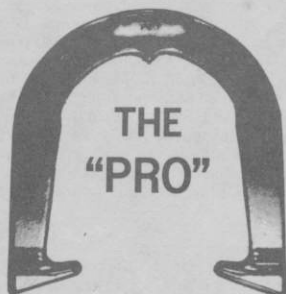
ister by 9:00 a.m. on tournament day. \$7.00 entry fee and 100-shoe score required. Contact Loren Gilesple, Box 221, Tremont, Ill. 61568. Ph. 309-925-5038, Buck Neville, Ph. 309-925-7591.

Sept. 5-6-7 — Annual Illinois State tournament, Hecker, Illinois. More details later.

Sept. 13 — Annual Monmouth Open tournament, Monmouth park courts, Monmouth, Illinois. 8-six man classes. Top 48 qualifiers will play. Cash awards plus \$2.00 per games won. \$6.00 entry fee to Bob St. George, 622 "A" Street, Monmouth, Illinois 61452. Deadline 9:30 A.M. Sept. 13.



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