



# Newsline

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## President's Message

### Lets Hold an AWESOME World Tournament!

By *Stu Sipma, NHPA President*

The Council has been meeting monthly (via ZOOM) discussing the 2021 World Horseshoe Tournament and other business. The final decision on hosting the 2021 World Horseshoe Tournament was made earlier than we expected and has already been announced via e-blast and social media. We are all hoping for a great turn out, so please get your entries into Jim Kinney Jr.



With leagues starting for many Charters, the Council expects each one of you to do your part in growing our sport by signing up new members. It's "all" of our responsibility, so let's turn this declining membership trend around and start seeing positive numbers. Charter Secretaries, please remember to get your list of new members to Laura Lampkin (2nd VP). She is directing the membership committee in charge of sending out new member packages.

For those of you who did not attend last's years Delegate meeting, the Council requested an emergency By-Law change regarding the voting process for future World Tournament Sites. After much discussion and a vote on the floor, the delegates approved that the NHPA Council will oversee voting and approval of each future World Tournament site.

Now that the deadline (of April 1st) has passed for candidates to announce their candidacy for the positions of President and 5th VP. I am pleased to announce: 1) NHPA President - I have decided not to run after serving as your President for the past 12 years. Gary Roberts from the Ohio Charter will be the sole candidate for this position. 2) NHPA 5th VP - Dalton Rakestraw has announced his intentions to run for another term. Don Epps from the Ohio Charter announced his intentions to run for the position of 5th VP. Voting will take place at the delegate meeting to be held at the World Tournament.

The 2021 World Horseshoe Tournament will be held July 19th - July 31st, 2021 at the Winnemucca Events Complex. Members who are interested in attending should go on-line and fill out the entry form and make your reservations. Many of you have asked me if we were planning on having the same format and schedule. It is our intentions not to change anything currently, however each year is a challenge when working with different groups in different locations. June 8th is the deadline to get your entry in.

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### *President's Message...continued*

The Council would like to thank all the Charters who provided nomination letters for individuals who they feel deserve to receive an NHPA Achievement Award. The NHPA Council will be reviewing the applications and the recipient/s who will be receiving this award will be contacted and the presentations will be made at the 2021 Hall of Fame Banquet in Winnemucca NV.

In regard to the Covid-19 virus, it appears the country is opening up with the large number of people getting their virus shots therefore horseshoes leagues and pitching horseshoes should get back to normal. The Council believes it will be a "GREAT" year for horseshoes. Enjoy your Spring/Summer, look forward to seeing you all in Nevada.

Stu

## Glimpse into a Facebook group—Blaine Scott

Each of us are always looking for ways to improve our horseshoe pitching or to just share our opinions with others. Facebook has a great group site called All About Pitching Horseshoes where they ask questions to over 2,700 members and receive lots of feedback.

One recent question was...What advice would YOU give to a Pitcher going to their Very First World Tournament??? Here are some of the answers given.

- *Enjoy the experience!! You will make friends for life, I know we sure did—Sharon Boehringer*
- *Breathe...lol! Try to relax and enjoy the experience. Get ready to meet some new friends and watch some amazing players—Jill Molineaux*
- *Have fun...relax...clay will humble you if you pitch in sand—Eddie Guidry*
- *Have fun, watch others pitch, take in the area—John Meyer*
- *Visit the NHPF booth and learn about them, purchase a brick during the visit—Casey Sluys*
- *If you have the opportunity, stay for the finals the last 3 days. See how the best get it done, imagine yourself out there one day—Ken Fraser*
- *Focus on your pitching. And relax, no one can get in your head if you don't let them.—Timothy Joyce*
- *While pitching you have to treat it like it's just another tournament, but when you aren't, have some fun.—Rob Hettinga*
- *Have fun—make new friends that you will have for life—Gail Jackson Sluys*
- *Go and enjoy. I didn't throw well at the world, until I relaxed—Allen Hurley*
- *Just do your best. The A class women are the friendliest pitchers. Don't be afraid to ask questions and watch and learn—Linda Weatherford Roach*
- *Check scores after scores called out. Scorekeepers also make mistakes—Steve Gibson*
- *Your first day of the tournament you have to get there a hour earlier for shoe check in and a rules meeting. My first world's tension sat in during that meeting trying to take everything in. So just stay relaxed it's really no big deal the guys that you will pitch against have the same average as you so just relax meet some new friends and have fun—Warren Westbrook*
- *Do a lot of watching, listening, especially the better pitchers. Go to the hall of fame banquet if you can, if there are any clinics offered like the judges clinic, go to them if you can. Get to know the national officers, and ask questions. I highly recommend going and helping with setup at least once. You appreciate things more seeing what goes into the setup. Important to get sleep and not overdo things when pitching. I also think if you are able to keep score some. It is easy to get distracted with everything going on, so try and keep your focus on the task at hand. Kevin Brekke*

*1st VP Message*

## Preparing for World Tournament...Foul shoes

*By Brian Poole 1st Vice President*

Hello fellow Pitchers! I hope all is well and you are getting back to pitching in your clubs and weekend tournaments.

I would like to discuss a rule that may come up in a contest and make sure everyone understands or feels confident in handling it if it comes up in a game. Let's talk about what happens when a foul shoe hits another live shoe in the scoring area.



### RULE 5 - FOUL SHOES

#### Section A - Removal from Pit

A foul shoe is a shoe that is delivered in non-compliance with one of the rules listed below. It scores as a shoe "out of count" (see RULE 3, Section B.3) and is to be removed from the pit (if it appears to be within the scoring area of the stake) before any more shoes are pitched.

Note: Live shoes already in the pit area that may be disturbed by a foul shoe (or other live shoes), are not to be removed, unless they are knocked into foul territory and then come to rest in the scoring area. Live shoes shall be scored "as they lie", after all shoes for the inning have been pitched.

So when there are shoes in the scoring area (15.5 inches diameter) and an opponent pitches a shoe that hits the front bumper or side of raised court and then hits the opponent's legal shoe it won't cause the live shoe to become dead. If the foul shoe comes to rest in the scoring area, it must be removed. **The legal or live shoe contacted by the foul shoe is still a counting shoe and is not to be removed unless it is displaced and hits the sides or back stop and comes to rest back in the scoring area.**

**If a foul shoe hits a live shoe in the scoring area, it does not make the live shoe become dead.**

If the contestants agree to leave a foul shoe in the pit, then when any other shoe is thrown that makes contact with that foul shoe, the shoe that was just pitched is still a live shoe unless it hits the sides or back stop which then makes it a foul or dead shoe.

**If at all possible remove all foul shoes to avoid any problems.**

I hope this helps you understand this rule better. Please let me know if there is a Rule, Requirement, Guideline or Specification that you want me to discuss or clarify.

Thanks for all you are doing to grow this great sport and bringing new members to the NHPA!

See you at the courts!

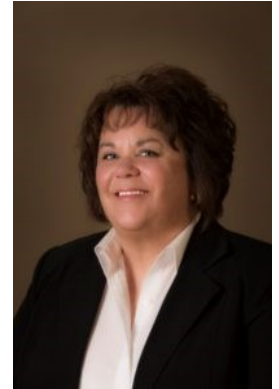
Brian



He's not talking about a "fowl" shoe...it's a "foul" shoe!

*2nd VP Message***56th Annual Hall of Fame Banquet & Awards Presentation***By Laurie Lampkin 1st Vice President*

This special event is open to everyone and will be held Sunday, July 25th in the Winnemucca Convention Center- West Hall, signs will be posted. This is your chance to meet many of the greats of our sport up close and personal. Social hour begins at 5 p.m., followed by Dinner, Awards Ceremony, and a Live Auction. Fun evening for all.



We would like to also remind everyone that signs up for the world tournament that they will be eligible to win the Sterling Silver Horseshoe. (\*Silver donated by Coeur Rochester Mining & Caste by Omega Horseshoe Company\*).

Tickets are \$30 per person and can be purchased in advance by contacting Jim Kinney the NHPA secretary/treasurer until the June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021 deadline. After the June 30<sup>th</sup> date, you will only be able to purchase these tickets from the NHPF booth during the first week of the World Tournament. Please see Phyllis Quist and Casey Sluys and staff in Winnemucca. Also, hang around after the ceremonies for "The Live Auction" to follow the awards. History has proven that this auction will be a fun filled evening for all. If anyone would like to donate any items to the "Live" auction or to the NHPF booth silent auction, please contact Phyllis Quist or Casey Sluys and let them know which auction you want your items to go to.

Send banquet ticket requests to:

**Jim Kinney**  
[sec.treas@horseshoepitching.com](mailto:sec.treas@horseshoepitching.com)  
 NHPA Sec./Treas.  
 P. O. Box 205  
 Drexel, Mo. 64742

**Menu****Western Style Cuisine**

The Caterer needs to be made aware of any special dietary needs a minimum of one week prior to the banquet to ensure alternative meals will be available. There is no such thing as too soon. Please contact me as soon as you have decided. My contact information is on the website.

**Entrée**

Slow Roasted Tri-Tip, Green Salad, Scalloped Potatoes, Baked Beans, French Bread w/ Butter

**Assorted Desserts**

Variety of Cheesecakes

**Drinks**

Tea (Sweet and Unsweetened), Coffee - Regular & Decaf, variety of Soft Drinks, Ice water available on the tables.

2nd VP...continued

## **Make Plans to stop by and visit the 2022 & 2023 World Tournament Booths**

**July 10-22, 2022** - The 2022 World Tournament will be held in Monroe/West Monroe, LA. The Monroe Convention Visitors Bureau, Scott Bruscato and his staff will be at Winnemucca, NV. You can stop by their booth and get lots of information on the Facility, Area Maps, Airlines, Rental Car Companies, Uber, Lyft, Hotels, Shopping, RV and Camping Sites and Amenities, Restaurants, Casinos, and many sites to see and visit. Places to go and a few things to do and see will be Pecanland Mall, Duck Commander Shop, Landry Vineyard, Revolution Park Dirt Track Racing, Black Bayou Lake National Wildlife Refuge, and Surge Entertainment presented by Drew Bree's. We are also working on inviting "Duck Dynasty" and the "Swamp Guy's" to the Tournament as well. We are hoping that Phil Robinson, the matriarch, and his family, will come on Sunday to be a part of our church service and give the sermon. "Fingers Crossed". Monroe will be a fun time for sure. "laissez le bon temps rouler" (Let the good times Roll). Go to <https://www.monroe-westmonroe.org/> for more information. Monroe has included the RV and Hotel information in this newsletter for your convenience.



**July 17-30, 2023** - Lansing Michigan will be the host of the 2023 World Tournament. Mike Price, Meghan Ziehmer and Tom Kinder and staff will be on hand to answer any questions you may regarding the area and the Event Center, Airlines, Rental Car Companies, Uber, Lyft, Hotels, Restaurants, Shopping, RV and Camping locations. Take a walk along the Lansing River Trail, or nearby Michigan State University Campus, Arts, Theater, Breweries, Wineries, Distilleries and much more. Go to <https://www.lansing.org/visit-greater-lansing/request-a-visitors-guide/> for more information.



It is always good to be prepared in advance, so we suggest that you make a check list of questions and/or concerns of anything that you may want to ask each location. This will prepare you in advance of any special accommodations you may require once you arrive. As an example, if you or a family member has any medical situations, you may ask about the nearest medical facilities, or the nearest pharmacy.

### [2024 Potential World Tournament Locations Showing Interest](#)

We are currently working with several locations for the 2024 World Tournament. We have several interested parties Contact us such as, Casper Wyoming, Hamilton, OH Cincinnati OH, Winston/Salem, NC, St. Charles MO, Green Bay Wisconsin, Indianapolis, IN. The deadline to submit their bid is December 31, 2022. Good luck to all.



## *2nd VP...continued*

### **Staying safe when you travel.**

As always, we want everyone to be safe when traveling, so here is some basic information for you to use as a guide. Some state, local and governments have requirements, such as requiring people to wear masks. Save yourself unpleasant surprises and delays by checking for restrictions at your destination and anywhere you might stop along the way.

Keep in mind that restrictions can change rapidly depending on local conditions. It is also important to keep in mind the COVID-19 situation, such as the level of spread and presence of variants. In the U.S., you must wear a face mask on planes, buses, trains, and other forms of public transportation, even if you are fully vaccinated.

Know phone numbers for emergency purposes. Be sure to look up the emergency services numbers for your destination, even before you get there. It is also a good idea to look up the number for the nearest immediate care facility or hospital before you leave. Write them down or save them in your phone so you will have quick access to them in the event of an emergency.

### **Check in with friends and family often.**

Before you leave let someone know your itinerary and update them to any changes of plans. Make a habit of checking in with a close friend or family member back home at the end of each day. We know this can seem like a hassle, but ultimately, it is better to be safe than sorry. If something terrible were to happen, you will get help faster if someone knows where you were supposed to be that day.

### **Use apps for emergency alerts.**

There are a variety of apps out there aimed to provide safety travel information and help travelers safe. Sitata is a great app that alerts users to potential dangers or disruptions to travel in real time. It also includes tips for avoiding the latest scams and helps users locate nearby hospitals.

Smart Traveler is the official U.S. State Department app for travelers. There are many useful features, including notifications for travel advisories and alerts, such road construction, detours, etc.

### **Ask locals for advice.**

When you check in at a hotel or hostel, ask for recommendations about which neighborhoods are safe and which are not so safe and mark places to avoid on your map.

### **Be smart about your money.**

Any solid resource of travel safety information will tell you that it is never a good idea to carry huge amounts of cash. Instead, open an account with an international bank or credit card company so you can use local ATMs. If you absolutely must withdraw large amounts of cash at once, leave the bulk of it locked up safely in your hotel or hostel and carry only what you will need for the day.

When using ATMs, try to use only those that are attached to banks as these are less likely to have been tampered with by scammers. Never keep all of your money in one place. Keep cash and credit cards in two or three different places so that if one of your stashes is stolen you are not left completely empty-handed.

Now that you are armed with these simple safety tips for traveling, it is time to get out and explore the world! Happy and safe travels, everyone!

## The 2021 NHPA Trading Card Sets now available for advance sales

### There are four separate 12 Card Sets: \$20.00 per set

- The Elder's WC Set
- The Senior's WC Set
- The Junior's WC Set
- The Hall of Fame Set

A special card will be randomly inserted into the sets, Card Number #SP1 and will be called - "On Fire", this card is going to highlight the "All-Time Greatest World Tournament Games" in the 40 Point Era.

Here is how it works.

To place your order go the NHPA website at, <https://www.horseshoepitching.com/abo.../nhpa-trading-cards/>. and follow the instructions.

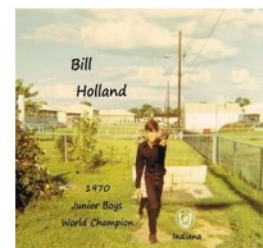
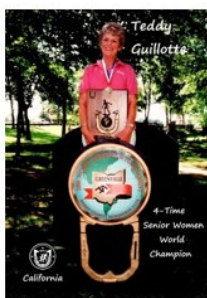
The standard card will have an odds ratio of 1:5 per set. There will be four numbered autographed cards of each of the following pitchers such as Alan Francis, Brian Simmons, Sylvianne Moissan and Joan Elmore. The individual autographed card will have an odds ratio of 1:25 per set "The Grand Champion Chase Cards" to Highlight their World Record Setting Games. There will be a 1 of 1 dual autographed card of Alan Francis and Brian Simmons and there will be a 1 of 1 dual autographed card of Sylvianne Moissan and Joan Elmore.

The odds of pulling one of these 1 of 1 dual autographed card is 1:200 per set. which will make them both extremely rare. "Let the chase begin..."

The anticipated ship date of these sets will be this Fall.

#### Elder's WC Set:

- #1 - Rich Pintor
- #2 - Paul McCreery
- #3 - Robert Logan
- #4 - David Holmes
- #5 - Ed Arionus
- #6 - Frank Bohun
- #7 - Herschel Walters
- #8 - Russ Phillips
- #9 - Henry Hostetler
- #10 - Roy Smith
- #11 - Johnnie Mullican
- #12 - Henry Franke



#### Junior's WC Set:

- #1 - Steve Hohl
- #2 - Drew Becker
- #3 - Mark Dyson
- #4 - Gary Roberts
- #5 - Jim Walters
- #6 - Branson Miller
- #7 - Bill Holland
- #8 - Debby Bestul-Halvorson
- #9 - Shalee Sebastian-Cason
- #10 - Celeste Polak-Lawton
- #11 - Linda Pateneau
- #12 - Crystal Curtis



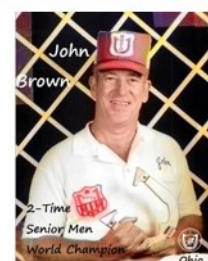
#### Senior's WC Set:

- #1 - Ron Deckard
- #2 - Stan Manker
- #3 - John Paxton
- #4 - John Brown
- #5 - Raymond Hill
- #6 - Howard Weitzel
- #7 - Sheila Shepard
- #8 - Teddy Guillotte
- #9 - Rivers Prewette
- #10 - Gert Wilcziek
- #11 - Ruth Rife
- #12 - Marge Spray



#### The Hall of Fame Set:

- #1 - Arch Stokes
- #2 - Elmer Beller
- #3 - Bob Pence
- #4 - F. Ellis Cobb
- #5 - Ottie Reno
- #6 - Bonnie Seibold
- #7 - Donnie Roberts
- #8 - Earl Winston
- #9 - Dave Loucks
- #10 - Bob Champion
- #11 - Dick Hansen
- #12 - Gary Kline



*3rd VP Message*

## Time for Leagues to begin...if you haven't

By Jerry Smith, 3rd Vice President, NHPA Historian



As we begin to get back to pitching horseshoe in most parts of the country, I find more leagues are being pitched and are being sent in. This seems to be a good time to let league directors know where we are on league procedures. The paperwork is the same as always, you send me the final stats and the patch order form. The eShoe program has changed the process for membership and tournament data entry and allows us to have up to the minute information and pitching averages. While it is possible to input league data directly into eShoe if you know how, please note that I am the only one authorized to enter league data. Certainly, I would enjoy less work to do. But, If the league data does not come to me, I cannot track awards, "Top Ten" stats, junior scholarship records nor league longevity. None of these things are currently able to be tracked by eShoe. The eShoe program was never intended to replace the Sanctioned League Director's position or to track the necessary needed data. It is hoped that the league phase of our software upgrade will enhance HSMaster's ability to run and track league data. Hold on to that thought, it is phase three of the NHPA's master plan to re-write HSMaster.

Speaking of longevity, all leagues that did not have leagues in 2020 were automatically given a waiver for that year. There is no need to send me the form "Request a New Sanction League", just go out there and get your league going again. If the league director duties were handed down to new personnel and they need help, be sure to have them get in touch with me. If you are still having problems holding this year's league, let me know your situation and we will work it out.

The annual Sanctioned League Team Tournament is still scheduled for October 2nd and 3rd and will be held in Wentzville, MO as usual. The facility has been closed for many months; however, it looks like it will be fully opened by the tournament date. Stay tuned for updates and the flyer will be sent out in an eblast soon. Get your teams together and let me know of your interest. If I have trouble fielding 20 teams or the facility is restricted in any way, I will have to cancel this event again. Once again, the three person teams can be made up of pitchers from any league and from any state. Call me for details. This is short, which is probably desirable to most readers, but I am in the process of moving again and will be a beloved Buckeye by the time the World Tournament rolls around. Just when I thought I could drive to the WT in a few hours, I will have a two-thousand-mile trip again, bad timing, I guess. I will try and keep league data inputted and patches sent out the best I can but expect some dark times and delays. See you at the 2021 World Tournament, it is going to be awesome. I will be giving out the "Sanctioned League Director of the Year" award for both 2019 and 2020. I have not decided how to handle the "Longevity" awards with all the 2020 waivers, but the waivers should not penalize the leagues.

In the last issue of "Newsline" I held a raffle to encourage members to check out the updated NHPA webpage. I was disappointed with the number of responses but understand and hope that it was just the effort to look up the answers and not that the article was not read. So, I will extend the raffle to the World Tournament and see if any more participants send in answers. This adds the burden of looking up the last "Newsline" article to find the quiz. At any rate, do check out the webpage and see what you think. A lot of effort was put into this project and is still happening. See you at the WT, look for another Buckeye!



*5th VP Message***Volunteers always welcome!***By Dalton Rakestraw, 5th Vice President*

The melodious sounds of the horseshoe pitching season are beginning to take shape once again. These unprecedented times can be very intimidating on everyone. Our sport remains on the radar as we look forward to a summer season. The Regional Directors continue to serve in each capacity they are able. The eShoe program is running nicely for the RD's. A few questions here and there, however, we are enjoying it and it is working great. The Regional Directors have gone above and beyond the need to get this program off and running.

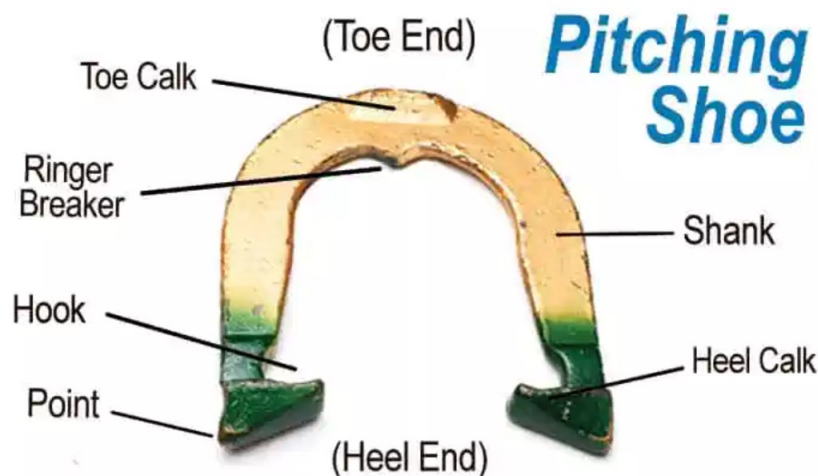
The Horseshoe Tour is in full session. Congratulations to the Summer Fun champions from last month's stop in Newberry, SC. 30ft-A winner: Marlene Ray, Tennessee. 40ft-A winner: Channing Herrell, Maryland. The next stop is Memorial Day weekend in Bryan, Texas.

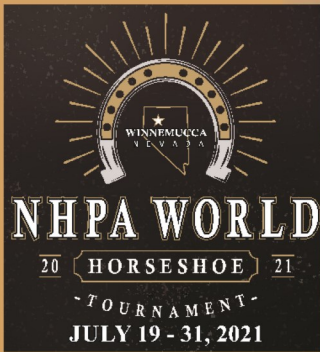
Check out the website [www.thehorseshoetour.com](http://www.thehorseshoetour.com) for entry forms, tournament locations, and statistics from all tour events. I encourage everyone to pitch in at least one tour if you are ever given the chance. The format is challenging because you must start out pitching ringers. Like them on Facebook @The Horseshoe Tour.

The world tournament has been announced as scheduled. I am gearing up for another great year of setup, teardown, shoe check, meetings, etc. Any volunteers for this process please get ahold of me. My information is found elsewhere in this issue of Newline. This tournament is not possible without the great help of the volunteers that literally, "set" the tournament. I welcome anyone wanting to know more about the process or world tournament equipment to jump in and be involved. Thank you to all those in the past that have helped, and I thank you ahead of time for those in the future.

The Regional Directors duties are outlined in an RD guidelines summary. These duties are not difficult, however they can be time consuming. (at times) Be sure to thank your RD for their dedication to this game and the office. I appreciate everyone's willingness to help and get involved. It takes a team to complete tasks and that is what we have...a team. Until we meet at the world tournament, I wish everyone a safe summer and many ringers.

Dalton





Winnemucca, Nevada

# July 19 - 31, 2021

## The NHPA World Horseshoe Tournament Pitching The Wild West in Winnemucca



### Important Websites

Registration & Pitching Information: [horseshoepitching.com](http://horseshoepitching.com)

Local Tournament Information: [winnemuccahorseshoes.com](http://winnemuccahorseshoes.com)

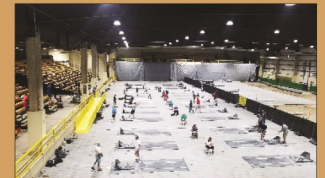
Visitor Information: [winnemucca.com](http://winnemucca.com)



### **WIN!!**

### **Solid Silver Horseshoe**

All contestants will be entered in a drawing to win a solid 32-ounce silver horseshoe with Nevada silver donated by Coeur Rochester Mine and casted by Omega Horseshoe Company.



## Book Accommodations Early

*Book accommodations EARLY due to the busy summer travel season  
Contact information available online at [winnemuccahorseshoes.com](http://winnemuccahorseshoes.com)*

## Fun Participant & Guest Activities!



For more information on Winnemucca  
[winnemuccahorseshoes.com](http://winnemuccahorseshoes.com)



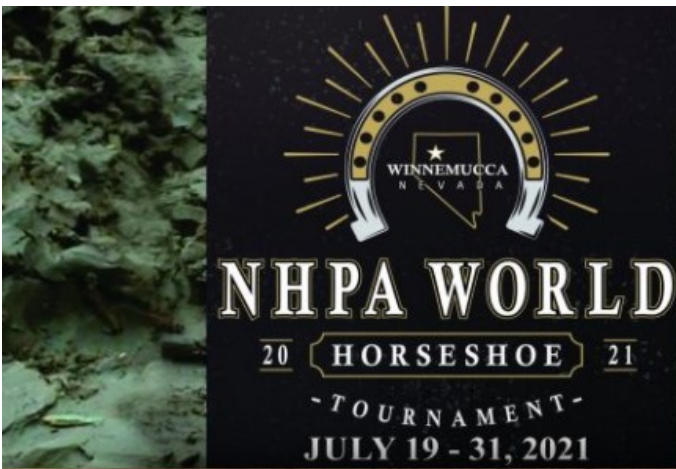
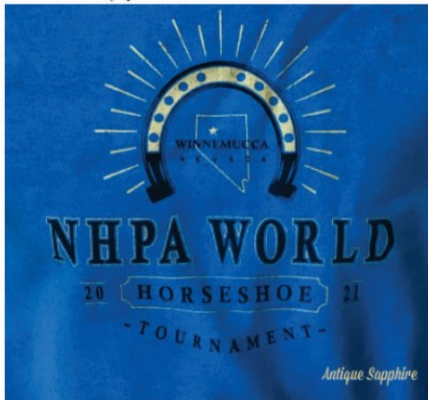


Plan today to attend the 2021 World Tournament in **Winnemucca, Nevada**



# 2021 NHPA World Horseshoe Tournament Gear AVAILABLE ONLINE

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# Sponsorship Opportunities

By Laurie Lampkin

(If Interested in any of these, please contact Laurie Lampkin or mail payments and artwork to Jim Kinney)

## **Bronze Level \$2,500 (annually)**

Sponsorship at this level will entitle your company to:

- One 2' x 3' banner prominently displayed on the event site throughout the competition.
- Your name listed on posters displayed at charter events throughout the country, along with other bronze level sponsors.
- Footer banner ad in two issues of the NHPA's NEWSLINE e-newsletter.
- A quarter-page ad in the event program for the World Tournament.
- Your logo on the NHPA website ([www.horseshoepitching.com](http://www.horseshoepitching.com)) through the completion of the event.

## **Silver Level \$5,000 (annually)**

- Sponsorship at this level will entitle your company to two 3'x5' banners prominently displayed on the event site throughout the competition.
- Your name listed on posters displayed at charter events throughout the country, along with other silver level sponsors.
- Large right column ad in two issues of the NHPA's NEWSLINE e-newsletter.
- A half-page ad in the event program.
- Your logo, linking to your website, on the NHPA website through the completion of the event.

## **Gold Level \$7,500 (annually)**

- Sponsorship at this level will entitle your company to four 3' x 5' banners prominently displayed at several locations on the event site.
- Your name listed on posters displayed at charter events throughout the country, along with other gold level sponsors.
- Large right column ad in two issues of the NHPA's NEWSLINE e-newsletter.
- A full-page ad in the event program.
- Your logo, linking to your website, on the NHPA website through the completion of the event.

## **Platinum Level \$30,000 (3-year agreement)**

- Only ONE Platinum sponsorship will be entered into per vendor.
- Sponsorship at this level will entitle your company/brand to naming privileges of the event, such as "Your brand presents the NHPA World Horseshoe Pitching Championships",
- The event will be called such in all press releases, NHPA and charter websites and news coverage.
- Your brand name or logo will be included on all commemorative merchandise made available for the event, including trophies.
- Your brand/logo will appear on the front cover of the event program.
- Full-page ad in the event program.
- Brand prominently displayed as 4'x 6' fence panels throughout venue.
- Posters will be displayed at events throughout the country prior to the competition each year.
- Headlining ad in two issues of the NHPA's NEWSLINE e-newsletter.
- Listings in the newsletters and on websites of NHPA charters.
- Your advertising banner, linking to your website, on the NHPA website for the duration of your sponsorship.

## **Types of Sponsorships/Advertising available during the World Tournament:**

- Leader Board
- Website
- Web Cams
- Back Drops
- Front of Podium
- HOF Banquet
- Result Sheets
- W.T. Fences (Sponsor name on the top, [horseshoepitching.com](http://horseshoepitching.com) on bottom)
- Shirts



*From the desk of the NHPA Secretary/Treasurer*

## 489...and counting...Entries are coming in!

*By Jim Kinney Jr., Secretary/Treasurer*

The 2021 World Tournament is scheduled for Winnemucca, Nevada has now officially been cleared to proceed with no restrictions. We have approximately 489 entries as of May 24th. The updates are posted on the NHPA website and on various Facebook sites. We hope in the next couple of weeks this number grows to be a great turnout. This has been another year for the books coming off a year that we have never seen since WWII. As stated in my last article, the NHPA is working hard to make sure everything is done to make the event fun filled and safe. Please have some patience and try to let everyone know about this event. If there are any questions please contact myself or any of the NHPA officers.



The eShoe program is growing in popularity each time I talk to someone. Everyone seems happy with the way the program is working. Obviously we cannot have every persons request granted when it comes to monitoring members but this program is 100 percent better than the way we were tracking membership in the past. I receive quite a few requests for anything pertaining to the eShoe program and I am here for anyone who is having any kind of difficulty navigating thru changes. Remember you can always go to [www.horseshoepitching.com](http://www.horseshoepitching.com)...hover over eShoe/HSMaster in the tool bar...and click on how-to Videos to get some information on how different parts of eShoe works.



You should go to the NHPA website and view the changes that have been made by a team that was created to update everything. It looks amazing. They have added buttons for members. One button is for New Members and the other is for those who already been updated in eShoes and want to renew their membership for the current year.

Please keep Wayne Callicoatte, the NHPA Fourth Vice President, in your thoughts and prayers as he is going thru some profoundly serious health issues. He is a fighter and has been trying to keep his spirits up as he is going thru this. The NHPA appreciates everything Wayne has done for our organization throughout the years and hope he can continue to be there in the future. If you want to send some support and encouragement for Wayne please send it to me and I will forward it to him.

Each member needs to keep doing as much as they can to promote our organization and sport. If there is anything you need help with, please contact me via email or my phone. I hope everyone is staying safe. See you on the courts.

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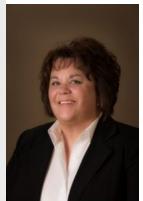
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*"Come Pitch with Us!"*

*NHPF Director*

## NHPF...How Can You Help?

*By Casey Sluys*

As I write this article it brings me back to 15 years ago when we had the grand opening of the NHPA Hall of Fame at Quail Ridge Park in Wentzville, Missouri. Then, as an NHPA officer, I knew this was truly a gem of a site...one that needed to be treasured and well looked after. The NHPA/F found the perfect individual to accomplish that. Joe Faron has, for 25 years, been involved with every single aspect of the Hall of Fame and this great facility. As we celebrate our 15th year Joe has chosen to step down as the building superintendent. There are simply not enough accolades that we can say about Joe. He dedicated much of his time and energy into craftsmanship of the woodworking in the building. Most every fancy picture frame and wooden sign you see he designed and built. His dogged determination led to decisions that proved to be beneficial for the NHPA, the NHPF and the Hall of Fame. The board of directors wishes Joe and his very supporting wife Alice all the best and we will use Joe as a resource long into the future. Thank you Joe from the bottom of my heart, you've taught me many things. The interim building superintendent will be Norm Pierce. Upon NHPA approval Norm will take over those responsibilities.



We are constantly on the lookout for individuals who would like to become an integral part of the inner working of the NHPF. If you are interested in becoming involved at any level please contact me via email and we will discuss it. [kcslus@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kcslus@sbcglobal.net). It is a volunteer position.

Do you shop online? Use Amazon? Then try AmazonSmile! It is set up by Amazon for you to be able to contribute to your favorite charity each time you make a purchase. Although it's only 1/2 of 1% of your purchase price, to date the NHPF has received \$859.53. As you can see it increases each time someone uses the NHPF as their favorite charity to donate to. I'll be happy to walk you through the process of signing up with AmazonSmile.

Those charters and clubs that have a Facebook presence might have noticed that I posted the NHPF brick information to your page. Please take a look at this and if there are questions please ask. Don't let not knowing stop you from purchasing a brick on this plaza. You can view it from Google Earth if you want to, but better yet simply stop by and visit...you'll be pleasantly surprised.

We held our annual meeting via Zoom and other than the big topic of Joe stepping down, the subjects were: what type of presence would the NHPF have at World Tournaments, what to do with Bob Dunn's extra collection of horseshoes, building status, brick purchases and documentation of the brick patio, new displays into your Hall of Fame, building use as Covid restrictions lift, continued improvements to website, and continue to create and increase awareness of who we are.

We look forward to any input any of you might have as to how we can increase our awareness to the pitching community. Our emails and phone numbers are on our website <https://nhpf.info/> We thank each of you for your contributions and look forward to your continued support.

Casey



*NHPF Director...Continued*

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## Horseshoe World February 1, 1923

### BRAVE MUD

Several horseshoe pitching enthusiasts recently, could no longer resist the temptation to try their skill in an effort to ascertain if interruption by bad weather had impaired their pitching ability, so a contest was arranged and the pitchers chased back and forth over the sodden court, leaving deep footprints in the mud and carrying a liberal portion of the court about on their shoes.

One pitcher had even come equipped with a pair of rubber boots, and all apparently were just as thoroughly enjoying the game as if they were in their shirt sleeves under a caressing mid-summer sun.—Washington C. H. Herald.

## Horseshoe World February 1, 1923

### They Had Charge of Meet



These boys had charge of the Kentucky State Tourney held at Louisville, September 8 to 13th by the Dixie Flyers Horseshoe Pitchers club.



# NHPA Rule Review-Rule 6-Scoring The Game

## RULE 6 - Scoring the Game

### (a) RULE 6 - SCORING THE GAME, CALLING THE SCORE

#### (b) Section A - Methods of Scoring

There are two methods of scoring the game of horseshoes: cancellation scoring and count-all scoring. The method of scoring to be used shall be announced by the Tournament/ League Officials before the tournament begins. Note: Shoes that land outside of the “in count” area or that are declared foul shoes (see RULE 5) shall score zero (0) points.

1. Cancellation Scoring - In cancellation scoring, the ringer(s) of one contestant cancel the ringer(s) of the opponent. Cancelled ringers are also referred to as “dead” ringers. Note: only one contestant can score in each inning.
  - (a) Ringer Point Values - Any cancelled ringer scores zero (0) points. Any un-cancelled (live) ringer scores three (3) points.
  - (b) Shoes In Count - A shoe six (6”) inches or closer to the stake is “in count” and shall score one (1) point under the following conditions:
    1. If there are two (2) cancelled (dead) ringers and no live ringer, the closest shoe to the stake, which is in count, shall score one (1) point.
    2. If there are no ringers, the closest shoe in count shall score one (1) point. If the other shoe of the same contestant is the second closest shoe in count, it shall score one (1) additional point.
    3. If there is one un-cancelled (live) ringer and if the other shoe, of the scoring contestant, is the closest in-count shoe to the stake, it shall score one (1) point (a total of four (4) points).
    4. Opposing contestant’s shoes that are touching the stake, or that are in count and determined to be an equal distance from the stake, shall cancel each 15 PLAYING RULES other and, like cancelled ringers, shall score zero (0) points. In this situation, the next closest shoe in count (if there is one) shall score one (1) point.
2. Count-all Scoring - In count-all scoring, both contestants receive credit for the points they score in each inning.
  - (a) Point Values - Each contestant may score zero (0), one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), or six (6) points per inning.
  - (b) “Ringers Only” - A variation of count-all scoring where the contestants only receive credit for the ringers they pitch, for all innings of the game. In this format, each ringer is worth one (1) point. Each contestant may score zero (0), one (1), or two (2) points per inning. This type of scoring should be limited to higher percentage classes. Note: Single points are not countable in this pitching format.



## Junior Jabber

By Dalton Rakestraw, 5th Vice President

Winnemucca will be a great host for the junior parties this year. Kim Peterson has been planning adventures for our youth athletes for a while now. We have discussed mine tours, dunk tanks, and water adventures. Rest assured this junior party meet and greet at worlds will definitely be fun! As I had mentioned before, the Youth Championship classes have been sponsored by the NHPF. The one-time donation has been applied to the championship classes giving all three the same amount of pay. In return, they have asked that a few of the older juniors help out with their booth at the world tournament selling raffle tickets, helping watch over items, and assist where they need the help. I cordially told them yes, so juniors and junior parents please text me or call at 606-356-8774 so I can assign the youth athlete to help for an hour, every other day or as needed. Let's all pull together and show our appreciation for the NHPF as they have done for us.



I wanna hear from you, let me know what you would like to see or do for the junior parties at the world tournament. What do you all like to do? I know we had a blast at the water park in Florence, South Carolina. Victoria, remember that wave pool? Ha! Trampoline parks, bowling, laser tag... what fun things interest the youth of our sport? I know when I was a junior, I wanted to do things that were not typical that I couldn't do in my home town. Think about it and let me know. Text, email, letter, in person. What say you?

I look forward to meeting all you athletes in Winnemucca. I am here for you to make your experience the best it can be. Please don't hesitate to ask questions. Parents I know the world tournament may seem intimidating, especially for the Cadets, but I know we can all work together to make the tournament ease the nerves of us all. I am anxious to see you all and we'll chat soon!



The Francis family made a clean sweep of the Ohio State Horseshoe Championships in Greenville, Ohio. Alan shattered his own record as he averaged 90.87% for the entire tournament! He had two games with only one missed shoe. Amy Francis won the Women's Championship with a 75% average, and Alex Francis won the Junior Boy's Championship. For good measure, Amy, along with her partner, Brian Fisher, won the Ohio State Doubles Championship.

*Cadet Jabber*

## Cadet Spotlight—Preslee Beusch, Palestine Texas

*By Dalton Rakestraw, 5th Vice President*

This little lady has a lot of energy for life. Her schedule is filled with many activities; however, she is able to put horseshoe pitching on the list. Preslee Beusch is a nine-year-old athlete. She currently pitches the GXL horseshoes and puts her whole soul into that beautiful flip shoe she demonstrates. She exemplifies herself as a horseshoe pitcher. She is always team player and shows us what a true Texan girl horseshoe pitcher can do. Preslee wants to be a teacher when she graduates college, however, she answers “what colleges are their?” when asked where she wants to go. Her favorite foods include Mexican, Sushi, fruits of all kinds, and of course...SWEETS! Preslee is involved in other sports such as softball and basketball, however we know where her passion lies. She wants everyone to know “I am a brat, I am beautiful, I am loud and outgoing, there is always laughs when I am around.”

Preslee was raised at the horseshoe pits. She was 6 years old when she pitched her first tournament. She was the runner-up in the 2020, Texas State Cadets Championship class. She likes pitching her family and friends. Her biggest competition is her ‘Papa Doug.’ When asked “who would you like to meet in horseshoe pitching one day?” Her response was none other than the Men’s Online World Champion, aka Champ, Brandon Tenjieth Sr. She has attended world tournaments in the past, the most recent in 2019, in Wichita Falls, TX. Her response was, “I loved it!” “I met many new friends, and well that’s all I have to say about that.” Ha! J She enjoys pitching against, Jake Beltran. Her home club is the Tri-County Horseshoe Club in Buffalo, TX. When asked what her practice routine is, she replies “I don’t practice, I just go out there and have fun!”

Look for Preslee as she makes her way up the ranks in Cadets and into the Junior Girls division in the future.

She will be a force and but “girls just wanna have fun!”





*Junior Girl's Jabber***Junior Girl Spotlight—Kaidence Begaye, Auberry California***By Dalton Rakestraw, 5th Vice President*

At the world tournament you can find several pitchers with the last name “Begaye” on their shirts. One of these is none other than the 13-year-old sister, Kaidence. Kaidence is not going to be outdone by her brothers or family, she is making herself a standout lady. Kaidence would like to attend Stanford University in hopes to become a Sports or Family Attorney. Until then, she is a 7<sup>th</sup> grader at Sierra Junior High School. Her favorite foods include broccoli, squash, gravy, and potatoes. She has hobbies other than horseshoes. She is active in basketball, volleyball, softball, and she enjoys hiking. With all the family activities, she is able to put horseshoe pitching on the list too. A fun fact about Kaidence is she is Navajo Indian and she has 4 brothers.



When she was younger Kaidence was not interested in horseshoe pitching. However, with the help of her brothers and parents, the horseshoe bug bit! She pitches the M&M Flip horseshoes. She states “when me and Hastiin (my brother), were younger I would win and beat him, but he got good.” Kaidence says horseshoe pitching is relaxing and she definitely enjoys it. When asked “who is your biggest competition?” She responds with, “Hastiin and Adakai (my brothers) are my biggest competition.” One day Kaidence would love to meet the 9 time Women’s World Champion, Joan Elmore.



Kaidence has attended a few world tournaments, but she has not competed in them. However, she said it was a great experience just watching. She enjoys pitching Adakai the most, because “when the games are close, he gets funny.” She enjoys pitching in her backyard in Auberry the most. She responds with, “I don’t know” as her practice routine.

This junior definitely wasn’t a jabber. Kaidence has little to say but she isn’t outdone by her family. She enjoys pitching shoes and being with her family. Look for Kaidence to take the world stage soon in her pitching career!



*Cadet/Junior pitchers from 2017 World Horseshoe Tournament in St. George. Come to the World Horseshoe Tournament and see the future of our sport compete in Winnemucca!*



*Junior Boy's Jabber*

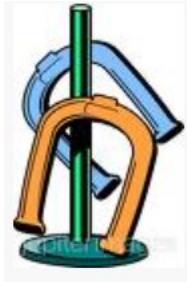
## Junior Boy Spotlight—Riley Malino—Bristol, Connecticut

*By Dalton Rakestraw, 5th Vice President*

If you ever travel to the New England for a tournament, you might see this 14-year-old out pitching in the A class. Riley Malino hails from Connecticut holding a solid average over 60%. His one flip from thirty feet is deadly when it hits the stake. Riley is the two-time Cadets World Champion. His last win was in 2019...in Texas. He enjoys other sports such as baseball and biking. One of his favorite foods is tacos. Don't we all enjoy a good taco? He enjoys pasta as well. Riley would like to attend technical college and become a Precision Mechanist. His favorite actor is Johnny Depp. An interesting fact about him, is that he has never been on an airplane. All his trips to the world tournaments have been by car.

Riley was introduced to horseshoe pitching at age 2 and pitched in his first tournament when he was 7 years old. He pitches the "Flip Grip" horseshoes. He was the first ever Cadets State Champion in Connecticut. When asked, "What do you like about pitching horseshoes?" He responds with, "I like the fact I have gained a 'horseshoe family' while playing." Riley remarks that his biggest competition was the Mr. Marcel Guillemette. Side bar: I have pitched Mr. Marcel and he is definitely a tough competitor! Riley has attended two world tournaments in 2018 and 2019. He won the Cadets World Championship both years and he says, "it was a great experience!" Riley attributes his success in horseshoes to Randy Smith Jr. (his uncle) because he is the reason I am playing. He enjoys the game and is glad he is playing and was taught how to pitch. Malino says that his favorite place to pitch horseshoes is at Club Jogues in Coventry, Rhode Island. "They have wonderful courts over there and that is where I pitched my first shoes." Riley's practice routine is pitching in league at Central Connecticut Horseshoe Club in East Hartford for the winter months. The club houses six indoor horseshoe courts hosting leagues every night of the week. Side bar again: I have pitched here and it is definitely an incredible place if you get the chance! His summer routine consists of league in Windsor, CT. He pitches 1 or 2 times a week.

Riley is definitely a class act. His first appearance in Junior Boys World competition will be in Winnemucca in July. He is hoping that he can continue his success and flow right into the Junior Boys Championship ranks.



## Regional Director Spotlight

### Casey Sluys (Northern California)

*By Dalton Rakestraw, 5th Vice President*

The name Sluys is no stranger to horseshoe pitching. In fact, Sluys, according to the horseshoe dictionary means champion. Casey Sluys hails strong from Santa Rosa, California. Casey has an over 35-year reputation to our sports association. Fun fact about Casey is he was born in The Netherlands. Casey and his family settled in California when he was 8 years old. Casey served our country in the Navy on USS Guam. Casey met his wife Gail, when he was in the Navy. Casey was then introduced to horseshoe pitching by his father-in-law. Casey threw a reverse turn because his father-in-law was left-handed...teaching him how to pitch. Casey's family runs deep with horseshoe pitchers from state champions to world champions. You name it and the Sluys name has claimed it!

Casey served as Sonoma County Horseshoe Club President for 26 years, Northern California VP for 4 years, and Northern California President for 6 years. Casey then transferred his state offices for National Office as he served the NHPA as 2nd VP for 15 years! He spearheaded the rules committee. He developed judges' guidelines for the world tournament. He currently serves as moderator on the NHPA forum, which responding to various topics over 700 times. He has designed the horseshoepitching.com bumper stickers. Again, anything you can think of Sluys has done it. He has even travelled to South Africa to participate in the Jukskei tournaments while sending over 40 pairs of horseshoes. Casey has won the world class titles 4 times. He was inducted into the Northern California Hall of Fame in 1996 and then the NHPA Hall of fame in 2010. Which leads us to now...Casey currently serves as the National Horseshoe Pitchers Foundation President and for this article the Northern California Regional Director.



Now for those who do not know, where is the line drawn for Northern and Southern California? If you look at a map of California and draw a straight line at the top of the counties of San Bernadino, Kern, and San Luis Obispo, you have the dividing line. Casey covers everything North of those counties. This is a lot of ground to cover which is why California is split between two RDs. Casey became Regional Director in 1989 to 2000. He took some time off and was re-elected to the position in 2009 and has served in this role since. He explains the most challenging thing about being an RD is teaching the club officers what court sanctioning is about and how the courts are to be sanctioned and up to par for integrity of the game. His best accomplishment while in office, he says, was when he gave a speech to the San Jose Parks and Rec board. He states, "WE were there in force as a club and I spoke on behalf of the NHPA, handing out copies of the Newsline, NCHPA News & Views, along with other brochures. We were letting them know we are a viable organization. That speech led them to put in 21 state of the art courts at zero cost to the NCHPA."

Casey is a true horseshoe pitching organizer and player. His dedication to our sport is untouchable. He has accomplished many things in our sport. He has won many awards and recognitions. He is always willing to help and looking to help on anything. The next time you are in Northern California, give Casey a call, he will tell you every inch of every court in his charter and give you precise directions to those locations. Casey is a great asset to our RD team and a perfect example for upcoming RDs.

## Ringers Heard Round the World...Part II

Stan Griggs

The series for 2021 will highlight some of the most competitive World Tournaments we have ever seen in all divisions.

The 1975 Junior Boy's Championship Class has to be considered as the best Junior World Tournaments ever, as four of the boys exceeded the 80% mark. John Passmore's incredible 89.5% tournament average still stands as a Junior Boys' World Record today and that only got him a 4th place finish.

Speaking of "World Records" – these eight boys put on one heck of a demonstration as they dueled past 11:00pm and set a total of 17 World Records that evening.

The Single Game, Both Players Combined Ringer Percentage record was broken 4 times during the evening, the first time by John Passmore and Mike Strout in game 4 with a 87.2%. Just minutes later also in game 4 that record was then broken again by the Williams Brothers, Walter Ray and Jeff with an 88.8%. In the next round of games, game #5 Rick Howe and John Passmore broke it once again with a monster marathon game of 190 shoes (World Record) and a new record average of 90.0%. In the last game of the night the record would be broken one final time between Jeff Williams and John Passmore averaging 90.3%.

In what adds more dimension and significance to the 1975 Records, these were all during the 50 Point Era.

### 1975 World Tournament

Lafayette, Indiana – July 21 – August 3, 1975

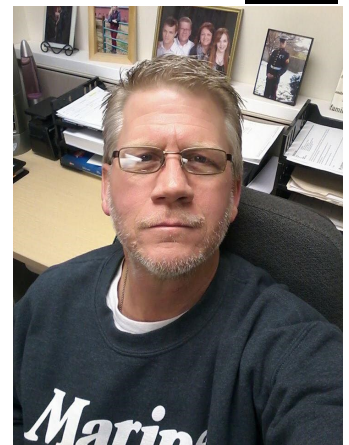
Junior Boy's Championship Class

	W	L	R	S	Pct.
1. Walter Ray Williams Jr. California	7	0	580	670	86.57%
2. Rick Howe Massachusetts	6	1	576	694	83.00%
3. Jeff Williams California	5	2	673	796	84.55%
4. John Passmore Indiana	4	3	702	784	89.54%
5. Mike Stout Illinois	3	4	526	664	79.22%
6. Paul Schultz New York	2	5	468	624	75.00%
7. Steve Hohl Ontario, Canada	1	6	303	457	66.30%
8. Dan Bussard Indiana	0	7	293	458	63.97%

"World Records" on this day...

Complete Tournament Ringer Percentage (7 games)	89.5%	John Passmore
Complete Tournament Total Ringers (7 games)	702	John Passmore
Complete Tournament Total Shoes (7 games)	796	Jeff Williams
Complete Tournament Double Ringers (7 games)	314	John Passmore

Single Game, Individual Losing Player Ringer Percent	89.5%	John Passmore
Single Game, Individual Winning Player Total Ringers	172	Rick Howe
Single Game, Individual Losing Player Total Ringers	170	John Passmore
Single Game, Individual Winning Player Double Ringers	77	Rick Howe
Single Game, Individual Losing Player Double Ringers	75	John Passmore



*Ringers Heard Round the World...continued*

Single Game, Both Players Longest Game	190 Shoes	Rick Howe & John Passmore
Single Game, Both Players Ringer Percentage	90.3%	Jeff Williams & John Passmore
Single Game, Both Players Total Ringers	342	Rick Howe & John Passmore
Single Game, Both Players Double Ringers	162	Rick Howe & John Passmore
Single Game, Both Players Cancelled Ringers	312	Rick Howe & John Passmore
Single Game, Both Players "Four Deads"	61	Rick Howe & John Passmore
Single Game, Both Players Consecutive "Four Deads"	12	Rick Howe & John Passmore

A closing thought on the 1975 World Tournament... A feature of the first round coverage in the Men's Division saw Frank Stinson, the 1924 Junior Boy's World Champion face off against Doug Kienia, the 1974 Junior Boy's World Champion with Frank's late double earning him a 54-46 triumph.

## World Tournament Entries by Division 2000-2020

NHPA World Tournament 40 POINT ERA											NHPA	Previous
Year	WT Location	Men	Women	30-40 Elder's	Senior Men	Senior Women	Boy's Juniors	Girl's Juniors	Cadets	Inter. Men	Final Entries	Year Over-Under
2020	Monroe, Louisiana (*)	WT Cancelled -Pandemic- Covid-19 Virus									0	
2019	Wichita Falls, Texas (*)	365	177	265	68	31	20	15	30	0	971	(55)
2018	Florence, South Carolina (*)	407	135	294	88	35	21	14	32	0	1026	(10)
2017	St. George, Utah (*)	365	138	285	98	34	38	22	56	0	1036	102
2016	Montgomery, Alabama (*)	355	110	279	85	30	28	20	27	0	934	(500)
2015	Topeka, Kansas (*)	552	159	417	125	41	57	25	58	0	1434	170
2014	Buffalo, New York (*)	557	152	307	124	35	45	24	20	0	1264	234
2013	St. George, Utah (*)	381	163	268	110	33	49	0	26	0	1030	(142)
2012	Knoxville, Tennessee (*)	459	138	330	140	46	28	21	10	0	1172	407
2011	Monroe, Louisiana (*)	311	102	187	79	26	42	11	7	0	765	(458)
2010	Cedar Rapids, Iowa (*)	489	131	329	153	40	45	24	12	0	1223	(59)
2009	Springfield, IL (*)	591	131	296	150	40	45	22	7	0	1282	6
2008	York, Pennsylvania (*)	684	138	193	166	40	32	19	4	0	1276	319
2007	Ardmore, Oklahoma (*)	427	126	192	120	21	47	18	6	0	957	100
2006	Gillette, Wyoming (*)	373	112	176	108	25	43	12	8	0	857	64
2005	Bakersfield, California (*)	382	102	132	87	23	44	15	8	0	793	(368)
2004	Pocatello, Idaho (*)	533	157	224	129	38	55	17	8	0	1161	(108)
2003	Eau Claire, Wisconsin (*)	648	152	197	134	32	70	30	6	0	1269	471
2002	Red Deer, Canada (*)	330	123	165	90	38	39	13	0	0	798	(209)
2001	Hibbing, Minnesota (*)	523	119	127	119	18	65	36	0	0	1007	(166)
2000	Bismarck, North Dakota (*)	604	147	164	138	26	70	24	0	0	1173	(327)



# The Last Hurrah!

Mel Yockstick—The Statman

The records for the 40/50 Point Games from the past World Tournaments are now updated and installed on the NHPA website. This is my last official duty as the World Statistician. After the 2021 World Tournament Stan Griggs, (New World Statistician) will be updating all these files.

On the NHPA website you will see four World Tournament categories.

## 1. World Tournament Records and site Information:

See World Tournament records recorded.

## 2. Past winners (Championship and Prelim Winners):

I have added 3 new files containing Prelim Class winners for the following years.

Prelim Class winners (2020-2006)  
 Prelim Class Winners (2005-1991)  
 Prelim Class Winners (1990-1982)

## 3. World Horseshoe Records of 40 Point Games:

Two files have been added for the World Champions Winners from the following Division:

Intermediate Men's Division  
 Elder's 40 Foot Division

These two divisions are no longer active, however, they needed to be added since they include World Champions players.

## 4. World Horseshoe Records of 50 Point Games:

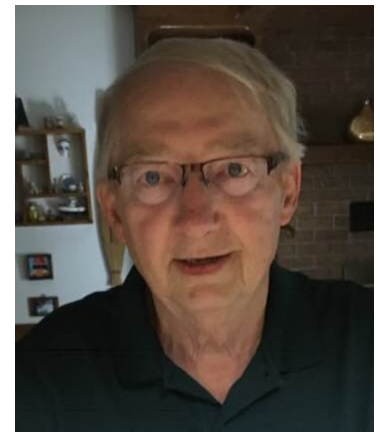
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It was a task to gather World Tournament records of 50-point games from 1909-1981 because the NHPA News Digest and the WT Results Archive Year files did not record individual championship results plus the championship score sheets were not available.

The past ten years as World Statistician have been challenging but rewarding as I have collected and recorded volumes of horseshoe history. You can view them on the NHPA website. Here is to many more "History M

NHPA WORLD TOURNAMENT PERFECT GAMES (100%)					Shoes & Winning			
By Date	Name	State	Class	World Loc.	Ringers	Score	Opponent	Div.
1948	Guy Zimmerman	California	Men's Champ	Milwaukee, WI	44	50 - 0	Henry Pergal, IN	M
1968	Elmer Hohl	ONT-CAN	Men's Champ	Keene, NH	30	51 - 0	Wes Kuchcinski, PA	M
1993	Jim Walters	Ohio	Boy's Champ	Spearfish, SD	24	42 - 0	Lucas Ives, WA	B
2005	Alan Francis	Ohio	Men's Champ	Bakersfield, CA	30	42 - 0	Buddy Dyrda, BC-CAN	M
2007	Alan Francis	Ohio	Men's Champ	Ardmore, OK.	18	42 - 0	Darrell Sherrard, IN	M
2008	Alan Francis	Ohio	Men's Champ	York PA	20	42 - 0	Gary Roberts, OH	M
2008	Alan Francis	Ohio	Men's Champ	York PA	24	42 - 0	Stan Leis, ON-CAN	M
2013	Joan Elmore	Tennessee	Women's Champ	St. George, UT	26	42 - 0	Sara Otto, MN	W
2013	Alan Francis	Ohio	Men's Champ	St. George, UT	28	42 - 0	Ken Heinritz, WI	M
2013	Alan Francis	Ohio	Men's Champ	St. George, UT	32	42-0	Ken Jones, NM	M

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Rank	Card #	First Name	Last Name	State	Division	Ringer Percent	Events Played
1	330030	Maxine	Griffith	TN	Women	94.00	29
2	330031	Marlene	Ray	TN	Women	93.83	30
3	330173	Joan	Elmore	TN	Women	90.16	17
4	320182	Becky	Holmes	KY	Women	81.40	2
5	470146	Diane	Mason	NH	Women	81.02	19
6	300336	Terry	Beagle	MI	Women	80.17	14
7	350626	Shalee	Cason	FL	Women	79.84	8
8	460050	Debra	Brown	VT	Women	78.83	15
9	220237	Debra	Odum	TX	Women	77.60	6
10	360840	Ruth	Rife	OH	Women	76.33	22

## Mens Top 100 Stats *24 May 2021*

Rank	Card #	First Name	Last Name	State	Division	Ringer Percent	Events Played
1	360940	Alan	Francis	OH	Men	90.04	6
2	10058	Matt	Fuller	WA	Men	82.97	8
3	100290	Brandon	Tenijieth	AZ	Men	81.83	11
4	320292	Tyler	Howard	KY	Men	81.17	23
5	460128	Brian	Simmons	VT	Men	79.70	11
6	420271	Jerry	Dean	MD	Men	79.67	2
7	260084	Dan	Watson	AL	Men	79.05	5
8	290652	Austin	Bailey	IL	Men	74.23	7
9	300164	Tom	Williams	MI	Men	72.97	11
10	30370	Rick	Bermingham	CA	Men	72.83	15

## Elders Top 100 Stats *24 May 2021*

Rank	Card #	First Name	Last Name	State	Division	Ringer Percent	Events Played
1	370139	Marcus	Rice	WV	Elders	89.18	23
2	360839	Virgil	Rife	OH	Elders	86.33	23
3	200026	Al	Ross	OK	Elders	80.00	23
4	10135	Russ	Phillips	WA	Elders	79.33	27
5	330059	Bobby	Fields	TN	Elders	78.73	8
6	420097	Paul	McGee	MD	Elders	78.18	7
7	340080	Zane	Goggin	GA	Elders	77.64	19
8	420337	Tom	Mills	MD	Elders	76.46	8
9	95094	Benj	Rains	UT	Elders	76.15	26
10	180408	Roger	Vogel	KS	Elders	75.00	31

## Girls Top 25 Stats *24 May 2021*

Rank	Card #	First Name	Last Name	State	Division	Ringer Percent
1	280216	Sarah	Chaffee	WI	Girls	85.39
2	490476	Skyla	Rioux	CT	Girls	71.93
3	490491	Lizy	Jordan	CT	Girls	49.16
4	320265	Sarah	Neagle	KY	Girls	39.33
5	320004	Abby	Rose	KY	Girls	39.14
6	95051	Ellyn	Ohms	UT	Girls	37.22
7	191533	Sadie	Wolken	MO	Girls	35.34
8	801060	Kalie	Trujillo	NM	Girls	30.79
9	800627	LaShai	Mace	NM	Girls	29.22
10	280523	Brooke	Lazaris	WI	Girls	27.27


## Boys Top 50 Stats *24 May 2021*

Rank	Card #	First Name	Last Name	State	Division	Ringer Percent	Events Played
1	320075	Seth	Onan	KY	Boys	88.49	7
2	210074	Derek	Reynolds	AR	Boys	71.94	4
3	200245	Walker	Forrester	OK	Boys	68.85	4
4	490452	Riley	Malino	CT	Boys	66.63	23
5	190778	Leon	Wolken	MO	Boys	60.93	6
6	360330	Alex	Francis	OH	Boys	56.45	2
7	180269	Ryan	Russell	KS	Boys	55.83	11
8	320014	Jarrett	Keith	KY	Boys	54.88	2
9	300469	Kayden	Fowler	MI	Boys	52.20	7
10	340294	Timothy	Williams	GA	Boys	50.83	6



## Cadets Top 25 Stats *24 May 2021*

Rank	Card #	First Name	Last Name	State	Division	Ringer Percent	Events Played
1	31151	Hastiin	Begaye	CA	Cadet Boys	74.00	1
2	360444	Cameron	Hogue	OH	Cadet Boys	52.13	1
3	280127	Blake	Benzing	WI	Cadet Boys	37.08	5
4	380630	Eli	Sullivan	VA	Cadet Boys	36.55	5
5	800982	Zeke	Renteria Jr	CA	Cadet Boys	31.36	2
6	360449	Kedan	Mathews	OH	Cadet Boys	31.00	1
7	220815	Preston	Beusch	TX	Cadet Boys	30.71	7
8	31141	Evelyn	Espinola	CA	Cadet Girls	25.63	3
9	800315	Ethan	Knighten	AL	Cadet Boys	24.14	15
10	800314	Crystal	Knighten	AL	Cadet Girls	23.08	13



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