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2022 President's Message

Prioritizing Changes for the Future

By Gary B. Roberts, NHPA President

The 2022 World Tournament is history. For many reasons, the participation was lower than usual. However, there were many great performances in all divisions. Sadly, some of the NHPA officers, participants, and family members fell victim to the new Covid variant during and subsequently at the tournament. I would like to thank our volunteers including Roger Vogel, Ron Smith, Clarence Lassiter, and Buddy Lampkin for their many hours of hard work. I would also like to thank Fred Lane for his assistance with IT issues. Blaine Scott, who received the Presidential Award this year, was a valuable resource throughout the tournament. Ben Webb performed well in taking over Junior duties with very little time for preparation. Since that time, Ben has been appointed as Junior Director. Our NHPA officers should be commended for their hard work under stressful circumstances. Our hosts in Monroe went above and beyond to assist us during the tournament.



We are now looking toward the 2023 World Tournament in Lansing, Michigan. Above average participation is expected for this location. The Council plans to implement an exciting new format for this tournament. The specific details will be announced once they are finalized. The new format will guarantee an exciting finish to all Championship divisions. We have been busy negotiating and signing contracts for Lansing hotels.

Laurie Lampkin has been busy generating interest in bidding for the 2024 World Tournament. Several cities have expressed interest in bidding. The deadline for bids is December 31, 2022. It will be exciting to see which cities choose to place a bid.

I would encourage members to be thinking about rules and bylaws proposals that must be submitted prior to December 31, 2022. There has been considerable controversy over residency requirements for participation in State Championships. Many feel the current bylaw as it relates to residency is antiquated and needs changed. We will undoubtedly receive proposals to be reviewed by the Rules Committee. I have also heard from many women recommending that a shorter distance be established for elderly women who can no longer throw 30 feet. The state delegates voted to reduce the age for men to move to 30 feet at age 65 rather than age 70. The primary reason expressed for this change was that new retirees are much more likely to begin pitching if they can pitch from 30 feet. A side benefit is that we are now in concert with the Canadian rule

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The most important issue is the continuing decline in membership. I do not purport to have all the answers. In Ohio, we have increased membership by over 10% this year. This is a surprise when you consider the members who passed away during the year. We also got some new members from the Loyal Order of Moose. It will be interesting to see if this leads to getting additional members. We need to look at states that are showing increases in membership to learn best practices. We must all work together in reversing the membership decline.

Gary

2023 Elder Men Rule Change—What the change means to you!

Men who have their 65th birthday anytime during 2023 can move to the Elders division and pitch behind the 27' foul line. Those who wish to move up can renew their membership for the 2023 card year as of October 1, 2022. Those wanting to change pitching distance will need to go through their charter secretary to change divisions. An individual cannot make a division change online.

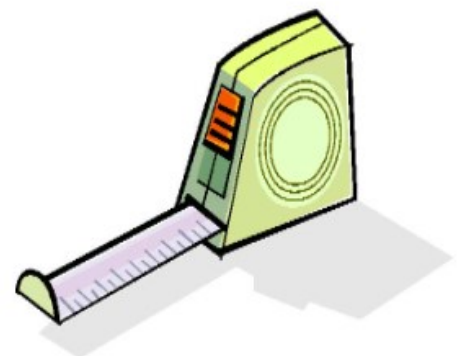
How it reads in the rule book under Rule 1 – Pitching Divisions.

Section F- Elder Men (become eligible to pitch in the Elders Division upon purchase of an NHPA card dated for the calendar year that they become sixty-five (65) years old).

1. **Elder Men** may pitch from any place on either the extended or full distance platforms and shall observe the twenty-seven foot (27') foul line. Elder Men must notify their Charter Membership Director, in advance, of the date that they intend to begin pitching from this shorter distance. Once a member declares himself a short-distance pitcher, he must remain in that Division until the next year's membership card is purchased. At that time, he may switch back to the Open Men's division, but must remain in that division until the next year's membership card is purchased.



What happens when you change pitching divisions? All your full distance stats are wiped out. You will need to throw one hundred shoes to establish a new ringer percent witnessed by two NHPA card holders. This information must be made available to the Tournament Director within 30 days of the tournament that you wish to pitch in as a short distance pitcher (Elder) so he/she knows where to seed you in the tournament. If you are thinking about changing your pitching distance, be sure to give yourself plenty of time to establish your average before you enter a tournament.



Do you have ideas for Rule Changes?

Brian Pool, 1st VP

Well I hope everyone has had a chance to pitch in your State Tournaments. I was able to attend the Idaho State Doubles in Pocatello at Ross Park after we returned from Monroe, July 30. I was able to play with Melanie as my partner and we placed 4th with some close games. I attended the Idaho State Singles in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho at Winton Park. I went 8-1 for the two days and placed 1st in Men's Class C. I was also nominated and elected to be the Idaho State President again at the annual meeting. It has been a fun pitching season.



I would like to remind everyone about the change in Rule Proposal Submissions from Sept 30 to December 31. This change will give you the opportunity to have more time to submit a rule change to be considered. I have received a few that I will be meeting with my Rules Committee to evaluate and present to the Delegates next year in Lansing Michigan.

We did receive a great response about the issue that was voted on by the delegates in Monroe and was sent by ballot to every Charter to change the Elders Division age from 70 to 65. We got a majority of the ballots returned and as reported by Jim Kinney, Jr the proposal PASSED. Now men can move to the Elders Division the calendar year they turn 65 if they want to.

Please feel free to email, text, or call me if you have a rules question or if you want to talk about an issue. Have a safe and healthy winter and we will hope to see you next year and in Lansing Michigan for Worlds next July.

See you on the courts!

Brian Pool



Membership, Sponsorship, Promotion, Publicity

Laurie Lampkin, 2nd VP- World Tournament Coordinator/Publicity & Promotion Director

It's a Wrap - 2022 World Tournament Monroe/West Monroe, LA

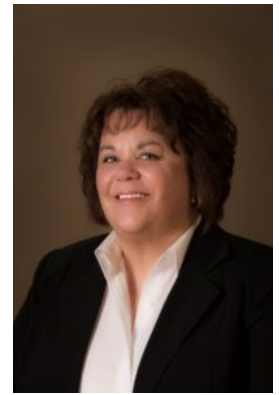
The overall comments from the 2022 World Tournament held in Monroe/West Monroe LA. were positive, considering that our entry numbers were drastically down this year because of the Covid-19 pandemic, travel accommodations and high gas prices. We would like to "Thank" Alana Cooper, Scott Bruscato, Norma Lemoine and all the staff at the Monroe Conventions Visitor's Bureau, Monroe City Mayor, Friday Ellis along with the other local dignitaries for the wonderful time and the hospitality they had graciously extended to us during our time there. Monroe was a very generous host, along with the great food from the local catering company for the Delegate Meeting, Church Service, and The Hall of Fame Banquet set up. The Monroe CVB along with the local merchants had shown us a wonderful time during our 2 1/2 week stay, "Thank You".

There are too many to mention by name, however, I would also like to say thanks to anyone and everyone that had a hand in or joined in to help in anyway before, during, or after the tournament. Your time and attention and sacrifices were appreciated by all. We hope that everyone that attended the World Tournament this year enjoyed their time in Monroe/West Monroe, LA. The 2022 World Tournament was not your normal World Tournament atmosphere this year. Unfortunately, many people including the venue staff, NHPA council members, and competitors contracted Covid while at the World Tournament this year. This was very unfortunate for many, as they did not get to compete after they arrived or had to drop out after starting their competition, also causing people to quarantine and return home. Due to many people leaving from contracting COVID, the Council was short on help, score keepers, tear down crew, etc., and those that were able to stay healthy pulled double shifts and worked exceptionally long hours in order to finish up the tournament, so they deserve a big Thank You for your time and sacrifice of staying and finishing up the Tournament. You are appreciated.

We hope that next year in Lansing this will not happen again if people are safe and follow the recommendations and protocols set out by the CDC and local, state, and federal governments.

Please be respectful enough of other competitors/people and know that if you have or think you have been around someone that may have contracted COVID regardless of the variant, please call and let someone know before coming or entering a venue. The overall fallout from contracting COVID directly affected the World Tournament, and the NHPA in many ways this year.

The competitors and staff were hit extremely hard as well as the financial outcome for the Tournament. The local urgent care centers, hospitals etc. did notify the CDC of the outbreak. We hope that all that contracted COVID this year are much better now. Let's all do our absolute best to stay healthy and we hope to see everyone in Lansing next year.



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World Tournament Photographer – Empire Media



The NHPA would like to thank Empire Media and staff for their hard work, dedication, and selfless hours for everything they did on their end to make everyone feel comfortable with your 2022 World

Tournament purchases and overall experience with the products that they created specifically for the NHPA and the 2022 World Tournament photos. The class/action photos taken were wonderful, and the NHPA received incredibly positive reviews and that the consensus from people were “These were the best photos” we ever had at a World Tournament; the prices were reasonable. The covers are outstanding. Please know we are trying our absolute best to have Empire Media next year in Lansing. We are working diligently to work out the details for next year.

If you would like to purchase additional photo's, please contact Amanda and her staff at 318-791-1267 or email Amanda at: AMANDA@EMPIREMEDIAANDMGMT.COM

Local News Stations & Radio for Monroe

If anyone was interested in viewing, getting any copies of the interviews and stories on the 2022 World Tournament, please check out these websites. These are the local CBS, NBC, ABC, Fox affiliates.



<https://www.knoe.com/>

<https://www.hannapub.com/ouachitacitizen/>

<https://www.thenewsstar.com/>

<https://www.myarklamiss.com/>

<https://www.kedm.org/news>



News Star.



Empire Media and Management is honored to be the photography/videography group for the NHPA World Tournament! While pitchers are keeping their eye on the prize, we will be around the area getting action shots of all the pitchers, and those photos will be available for purchase during the tournament. We'll also be recording, editing, and uploading highlight videos on the NHPA website!

Empire Media and Management has redesigned the look of the photo frames, which include your single action shot photo and class photo. We will also have several photos to choose from of you pitching. We will also offer additional single photos for purchase if you would like more than one action shot, or if you'd like to grab a photo with friends. We're excited to be working with the NHPA this year, and look forward to seeing you in July!



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2023 WORLD TOURNAMENT DATES: 7/17/2023 -7/29/2023

Mark your calendars, tell your family and friends and even challenge them to attend next year. Lansing Michigan is your host for the 2023 World Tournament. The Lansing CVB staff of Mike Price, Meghan Ziehmer and Tom Kinder and their teams have been working extremely hard to make the 2023 World Tournament a huge success for you. We are anticipating entry numbers of 1000 or more with the Canadian border just across the river. This year in Monroe, LA we had 46 states and 5 countries in attendance.

Our goal is to surpass these numbers next year.



The Lansing CVB has put together information for you to review. Please go to the NHPA website and click on the links. Please make your hotel and RV accommodations as soon as you can and keep your reservation/confirmation numbers handy in case you need them for reference purposes.



Please know that there will be “NO” 3rd party reservations or rates (Expedia, Travelocity, etc.,) used or recognized by the Hotels for this event. The 3rd party rates are **NOT** guaranteed by the NHPA in any way, and the rates can go up on

the weekends without notice.

The (NHPA) has no control over these 3rd party rates and requirements unless you use the “Horseshoe Discounted Rate” that has been negotiated. The NHPA has signed hotel contract room blocks on your behalf to get those rates guaranteed. Your NHPA President, Gary Roberts, I, along with the Lansing CVB, and the Lansing hoteliers in the city have worked extremely hard to get these rates in place for you. The NHPA wants you to have a fun and great World Tournament experience and an enjoyable vacation.

NOTE: The RV and Hotel reservations can be made “NOW” by calling directly to the hotels and RV parks. The numbers are listed for you to call on the Main page of the NHPA website. Please “DO NOT USE THE NATIONAL RESERVATION HOTEL NUMBERS WHEN YOU CALL.” When you call, be sure and mention that you are part of the “**World Horseshoe Tournament**” in 2023 and you are requesting the “Horseshoe Discounted Hotel Rate”.

We hope that everyone will make plans to be in Lansing, MI in July 2023 for the World Tournament for competition at its best and to have a fun time and a wonderful vacation. Lansing will also have area information for local Pharmacies, Medical facilities, Airlines, Rental Car Companies, Uber, Lyft, Hotels, Restaurants, Shopping, RV and Camping locations. The entertainment district is downtown, and you can take a scenic walk along the Lansing River Trail, rent a kayak, or visit nearby Michigan State University Campus, Arts, Theater, Breweries, Wineries, Distilleries and much more without moving your vehicle. Everything downtown is within walking distance, as well as using trolleys, scooters, etc. The Radisson Hotel has a Pedway over to the Arena, and you can make your reservations at any of the hotels now. Visit the NHPA Website and look at the contact information for the Raddison and the other hotels. There are also other hotels nearby that are also within walking distance to the Arena. Mackinaw Island (where the movie “Somewhere in Time” was made) is just a 3-hour drive from Lansing. Celebrities that live there include actor Vince Vaughn, actor and director Ron Howard, and Michigan's own Bob Seger. Lots of historical sites and information in Michigan. Please visit the NHPA website and click on the Lansing link, as well as <https://www.lansing.org/visit-greater-lansing/request-a-visitors-guide/> for more information.

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[Lansing Center](#)



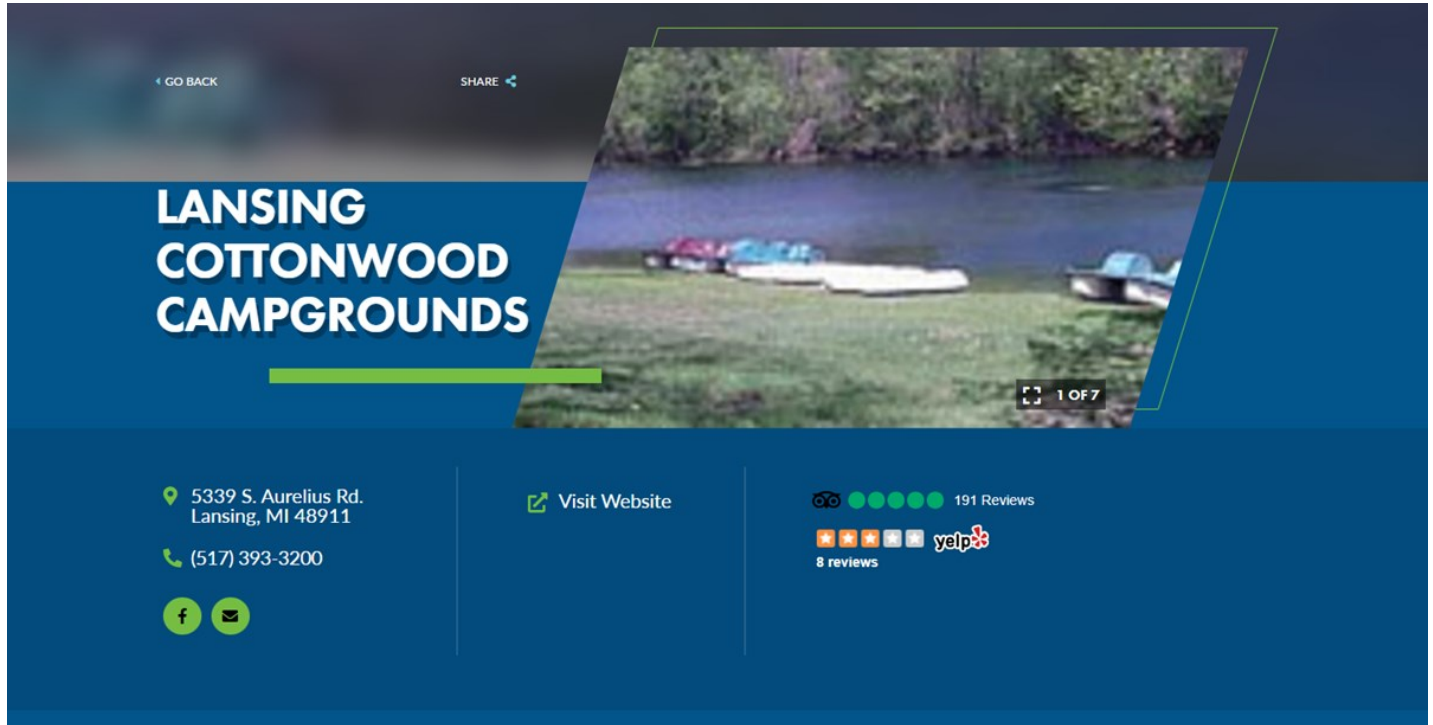
Lansing Center, officially the Lansing Convention Center, is the primary and largest convention center in Lansing, Michigan. The center is located along Michigan Avenue, with its western facade fronting the Grand River. The center's location includes a riverfront plaza that has been home to outdoor events. This state-of-the-art convention facility located in the heart of Lansing's entertainment district features panoramic views of the scenic downtown area. Situated among beautiful rain gardens and fountains along Michigan Avenue, Mid-Michigan's premier meeting and banquet location has over 175,000 sq. ft. of contemporary space including 72,000 sq. ft. of column-free exhibit halls and 20 breakout rooms. Located on the banks of the Grand River, it is conveniently connected to abundant parking options and the "Host Hotel" for 2023 is the Radisson Hotel via a covered pedway.

The Lansing Center
333 E. Michigan Ave.
Lansing, MI 48933

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LANSING CAMPGROUNDS



At some of the World Tournament locations, venues sometimes offer onsite RV spots. However, this venue does not have that capability. The Lansing CVB has provided RV and Camping information on the NHPA website, click on the Lansing logo, and look under the Hotel information.

This site was built by Peter Denesuk and his wife Erica. Cottonwood Campground was opened to camping on Memorial Day 1972 and since then, his family has been providing Lansing's best camping experiences. Snowbird or local, you will be treated like family, and guaranteed an enjoyable camping experience.



Our team knows that travelling can be exhausting and will do their best to make your stay easy and satisfying. Please visit our site <http://www.lansingcottonwoodcampground.com/> to find out more about our sites, amenities, and local areas to explore. To make your reservations call:

Contact
5339 Aurelius Rd. Lansing, MI 48911
cottoncamp@aol.com
517-393-3200 for Reservations

We look forward to welcoming you soon!

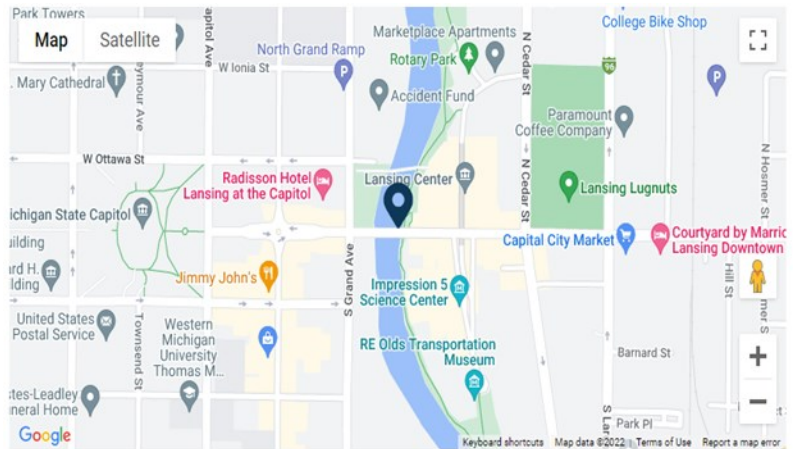
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[Lansing, Michigan, and Sites to visit](#)

Centrally located, Greater Lansing is a mix of amenities and smalltown charm. Shop, dine, and explore the downtown area and the mid-western hospitality. Dating to the 1870s, the Michigan State Capitol building features a cast-iron dome. The Impression 5 Science Center has interactive displays.

The collection at the R.E. Old's Transportation Museum includes classic and contemporary Oldsmobile cars (**Trivia:** This is how the Band REO Speed wagon created their name). The Potter Park Zoo houses endangered and threat-



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species such as Magellanic penguins, black rhinos, and golden lion tamarins.

To get a feel of what Lansing is really about, visitors can visit the five favorite Downtown Lansing attractions or explore quaint Old Town Lansing where you can browse unique boutiques and galleries, and taste the flavor at great restaurants and breweries. Explore small town, traditional Midwest main streets that make up our region by heading out to one of the surrounding communities.

Walk, run, or bike the 17+ mile River Trail. Paddle the Grand or Red Cedar rivers and find plenty of parks and open spaces to soothe your soul. Visit world-class attractions and galleries or take on some high energy activities like karting, laser tag, axe throwing and more.

[Impression 5 Science Center](#) is a dynamic, interactive space for families to play, create, and challenge their understanding of science. Its mission is to facilitate learners in scientific exploration through hands-on exhibits and participatory educational programming. Come experience two levels of firsthand exhibits exploring topics like fluid dynamics, kinetic energy, nature, light, and more! The direct hands-on learning environment of Impression 5 opened in 1972 and has served nearly 3 million visitors over the past 40 years! Since 1982, Impression 5 has been located on Museum Drive in downtown Lansing. "Impression 5" still refers to the five senses and the way that each sense is engaged during a visit to the Science Center!



[Lansing Lugnuts Professional Baseball](#)

We await your arrival at Jackson Field! Enjoy good times with good friends as Lansing's minor league baseball team--the Lansing Lugnuts--celebrates another season in Michigan's capital city. It's family fun at an affordable price, so don't miss out on the action and your chance to "GO NUTS" at Jackson Field. Plus, throughout the year enjoy other exciting events including community concerts and nighttime movies. For Lugnuts ticket and schedule infor-

mation, call (517) 485-4500. For Jackson Field event information, call (517) 372-7023.

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VARIOUS WAYS TO TRAVEL TO LANSING

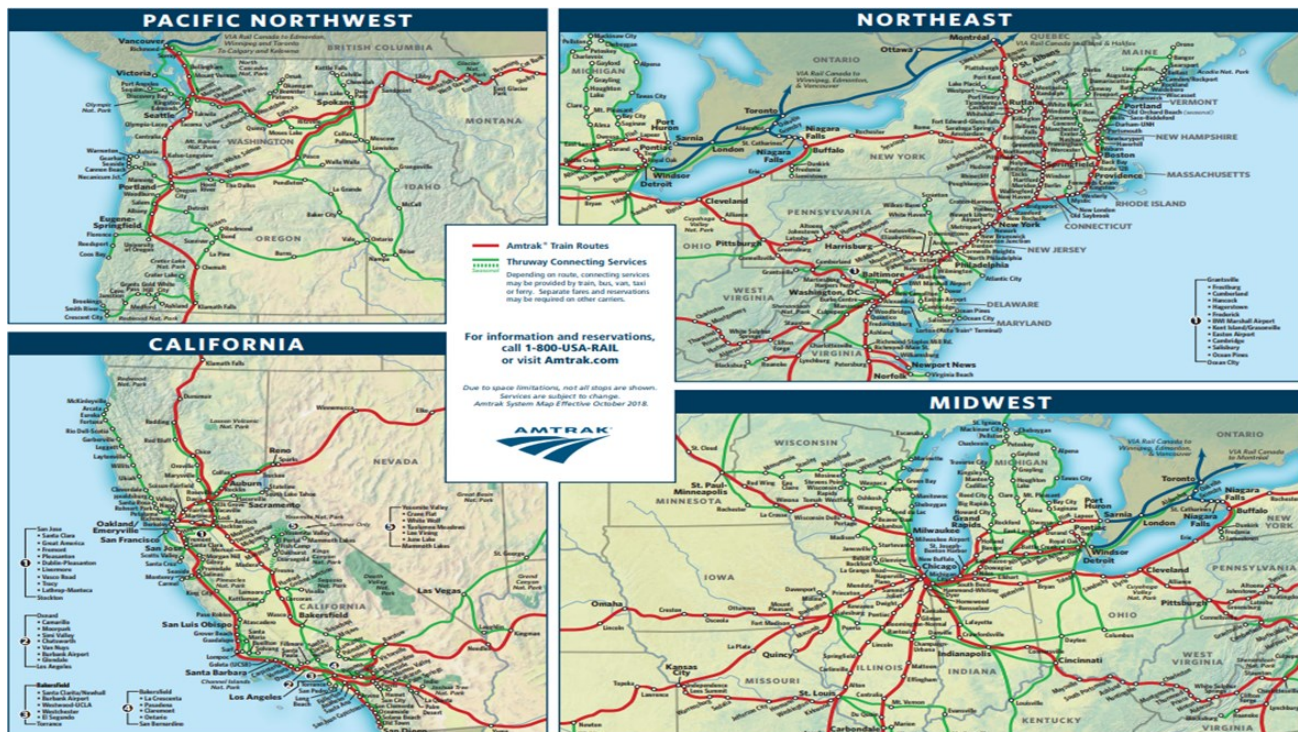
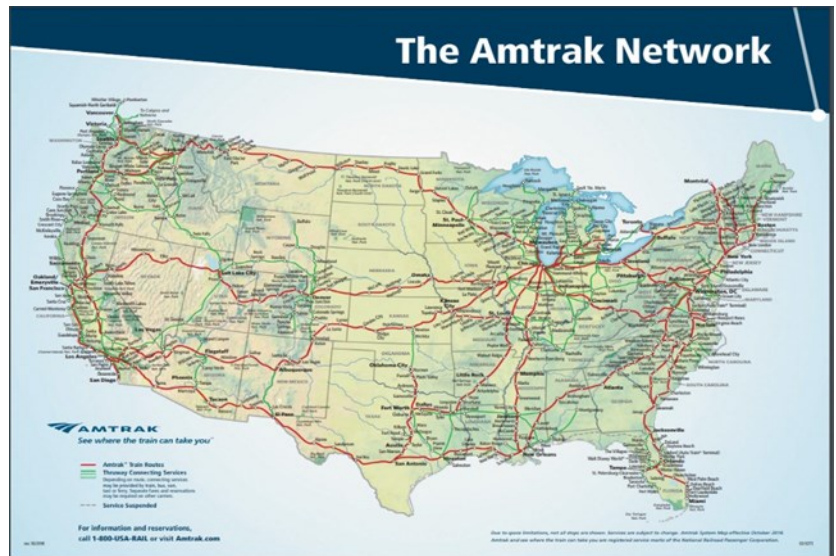


If anyone is interested in trying a different mode of travel, and wanting to explore the country side, please visit the Amtrak website at <https://www.amtrak.com/train-routes> to show the routes and the cities that Amtrak service.

Michigan Services

Chicago Grand Rapids/East Lansing Port
Huron/Detroit Pontiac
Multiple Departures Daily

Three convenient train lines for getting around the Wolverine State and beyond. The Pere Marquette connects Chicago and Grand Rapids, MI, revealing the natural beauty of Michigan's West Coast. Stop along the way to enjoy the area's wonderful beaches and rich Dutch heritage. Or head east to the shores of Lake Huron aboard the Blue Water. Passing through the famous cities of Kalamazoo, Battle Creek and East Lansing, the Blue Water ends in Port Huron, one of Michigan's oldest cities and a place rich in the maritime history of the Great Lakes. There's also plenty to see along the route of the Wolverine. Peer out over Lake Michigan as you head east from Chicago to visit the "Motor City" — Detroit, MI. There you can learn how the automobile changed America at the Henry Ford Museum, relive the famous Motown sound, or even catch the excitement of a Red Wings hockey game.



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LANSING REGIONAL AIRPORT INFORMATION:

If you are planning on flying next year, please visit the Lansing Regional airport at <https://www.flylansing.com/>

LANSING Regional airport address:

Capital Region International Airport
4100 Capital City Blvd.
Lansing, MI 48906

These are the airlines that service Lansing Regional Airport (LAN).

YOUR CONNECTION TO THE WORLD

LAN provides direct passage to some of the largest airport hubs in the country. From there, you can fly anywhere your passport can take you. They also provide seasonal direct flights to popular vacation spots, including international destinations.

Domestic: Detroit (DTW), Chicago (ORD), Washington, D.C. (DCA), Orlando (MCO), Fort Myers (RSW)



To make a reservation, [visit their website](#) or call [800-517-2000](tel:800-517-2000). [2023 Season Schedule/Details](#)



Detroit (DTW)

To make a reservation, [visit their website](#) or call [800-221-1212](tel:800-221-1212).



To make a reservation, [visit their website](#) or call [800-433-7300](tel:800-433-7300).



To make a reservation, [visit their website](#) or call [346-616-9500](tel:346-616-9500).

TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS IN AND AROUND LANSING

Rideshare

Popular rideshare services like Uber and Lyft serve the Lansing area, including the airport. To use these services, download the app to your mobile phone from the [Google Play Store](#) or [Apple App Store](#). You rideshare can pick up and drop off passengers at the front of the terminal.



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Junior/Cadet

Rental Cars

We partner with rental car agencies you know and trust, so you feel comfortable getting behind the wheel. To reserve or pick up your rental, please visit your preferred agency's check-in counter located on the first floor of the terminal building near baggage claim.

To drop off your rental, park your vehicle in the ready-and-return spaces located within walking distance of the terminal building. The process works the same for all agencies.

If you're renting a car from the airport, but not flying, you'll follow the same directions as above.

RENTAL CAR AGENCIES

- [Avis: 517-323-9132](tel:517-323-9132)
- [Budget: 517-321-2072](tel:517-321-2072)
- [Hertz: 517-321-1445](tel:517-321-1445)
- [National / Enterprise: 517-703-8060](tel:517-703-8060)

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

[Capital Area Transportation Authority \(CATA\)](http://www.cata.org) provides fixed-route bus service to the Lansing airport seven days a week on Route #14. CATA picks up and drops off passengers right outside the terminal building. Please visit their website for bus fares and additional information or call their customer service for trip planning assistance, [517-394-1000](tel:517-394-1000).

TAXI & LIMO SERVICE

If you're using a taxi or limo service, your driver can pick up and drop off passengers at the front of the terminal. We work with the following taxi and limo service providers:

TAXI SERVICES

DD's Downtown Taxi (on-demand service available)
[517-252-4498](tel:517-252-4498)

MSU EXPRESS TAXI SERVICE (ON-DEMAND SERVICE AVAILABLE)
[517-885-8129](tel:517-885-8129)

LIMO/BLACK CAR SERVICE

[Dean Trailways](http://www.deantrailways.com) (reservation required)
[800-282-3326](tel:800-282-3326)

[Grand Limousine](http://www.grandlimousine.com) (reservation preferred)
[517-882-5466](tel:517-882-5466)

[Posh Transportation](http://www.poshtransportation.com) (reservation required)
[517-490-6152](tel:517-490-6152)

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LANSING INFORMATIONAL PACKETS & LANSING CVB

If you have anyone in your charters wanting to or planning on attending the World Tournament in 2023 in Lansing, MI, we suggest that you contact the Lansing CVB and place an order for informational packets to hand out at your leagues, tournaments etc. You can tell them how many packets you think you will need and the CVB will ship those out to you. Please make sure they have a correct mailing/shipping address to ship these to. Charter Secretaries/Treasurers can contact the Lansing CVB Associate Director, **Meghan Ziehmer** **directly at 517-377-1425** If she does not answer, please leave her a message with your name and contact information so she can get back to you.

REMINDER - UPDATING YOUR CHARTER INFORMATION & CHARTER WEBSITES

As many charters end their pitching season, and some are just starting up their season, state meetings and administrative positions have changed across the U.S. As a friendly reminder to all charters, after your state tournaments and annual business meetings have completed for the year, it is extremely important for you to update your information regarding your Charter changes and any updates on your websites, such as new officers, contact information etc., Please send your updates to Jim Kinney, NHPA Secretary/Treasurer sec.treas@horseshoepitching.com for any change in your name, addresses, phone numbers, contact information.

For any assistance with your charter website on the NHPA map located on the NHPA website, please update that information as well. If you need any assistance, please notify Blaine Scott at horseshoepitching@gmail.com. We appreciate your help on this matter.

NEW VENDOR BOOTH SET-UP AT THE LANSING CENTER "VENDOR ALLEY"

The NHPA is currently working with the Lansing Center for potential vendor space in 2023. Lansing has the space available to create a "Vendor Alley." Make plans to sell your goods and products at the 2023 World Tournament in Lansing.



The NHPA is in the process of working out the details including the vendor forms for the "Vendor Alley" site at the Lansing Center to offer booth space for anyone that may be interested in renting a space during the World Tournament, apart from the NHPA contract vendors (game related sales, photographer, shirt vendor) once these have been determined for 2023.

The NHPA will have the details and information available for booth space, skirted tables, chairs, electricity etc., as the information and details are worked out between the NHPA and the Lansing Center.

You will be able to set your booth up with your Banners, Signs, Tablecloths, etc.



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NHPA Website/Newsline Advertising options now available

There are new advertising rates and options available for the NHPA website. There is an annual contract and fee of \$100 for each ad.

Please provide the artwork/file and to the NHPA webmaster, Blaine Scott at horseshoepitching@gmail.com. The payment must be submitted and paid in full along with the signed contract to Jim Kinney, NHPA Sec./Treas.

You can print a copy of the contract shown below on the NHPA website under the Newsline/Website Sponsorship tab. The advertisement will not post until payment in full is received.



NHPA Website Advertising

This agreement shall be between the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, herein known as NHPA, and advertiser: _____.

The purpose of this agreement is to outline and confirm certain terms and conditions between the two parties, specifically regarding advertising on the NHPA website www.horseshoepitching.com.

The NHPA grants the advertiser the right to advertise their product on www.horseshoepitching.com. In addition, the NHPA and named advertiser agree to the following conditions.

1. **Advertising Fee** – An advertising fee of \$100 will be paid/received by Jim Kinney, NHPA Secretary/Treasurer prior to posting the ad on the website.
2. **Advertising Image** – The advertiser listed above will provide a jpeg image not exceeding 300 x 150 bpi (.png, .jpg) which will be placed on the website www.horseshoepitching.com in one or more locations.
3. **Link to advertiser webpage** – The advertiser listed above will provide a link to their website where the product can be viewed/purchased.
4. **Website content** – Information/content located on the advertiser webpage must always be appropriate for youth since it may be viewed by cadet/junior horseshoe pitchers any time. The NHPA reserves the right to remove the link if the content does not meet that requirement.
5. **Term of advertising** – Advertising will be provided for a term of 12 months beginning with the date of first posting on the website for a period of 12 months.
6. **Point of contact** - The NHPA Secretary/Treasurer shall be the single point of contact to manage all financial communications between the two parties. The NHPA Webmaster will be the single point of contact to manage all advertising specifics for posting, availability, and adding/removing ads from the website: www.horseshoepitching.com.

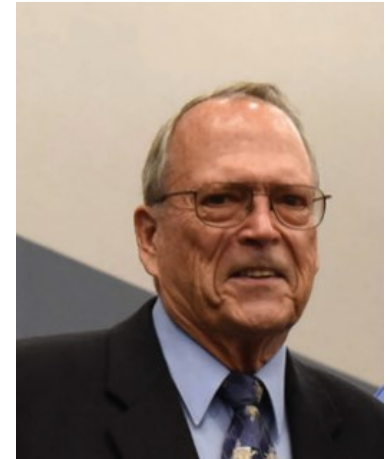
*3rd VP Message***Change is Coming...Read On!!!***By Jerry Smith, 3rd Vice President, NHPA Historian*

I ran for and was re-elected for another term as the NHPA 3rd Vice President. I was not sure that I was going to be elected, but no one seems to run for office, it is more fun to just criticize those of us that do step up. No complaints here, jut an observation. Someone once said, "if you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen."

I have been trying to monitor social media more and put out ideas for change. I chose not to do that as much in the past because we (the council) get bashed all the time. That is not to say it is all bad and it does get our attention. I do think there are more positive ways to encourage change. The bottom line is we need to make changes because the sport is trending in a very bad way. I do not think that many members know the workload of council members and some just think we go to WT and vacation for three weeks. This may sound like sour grapes, and it is not. Most of our horseshoe family at the WT thank us for our work and seem to appreciate what we do.

As the world around us changes, so does our problems. While we (council) all want to grow the membership and obtain sponsorships to enhance the interest in the sport, we must deal with the real problems also. We have old and antiquated rules and By-Laws and seem stuck in a time warp when it comes to change. In today's world, for example, we have gender identification protocols which basically states, "You are what you say you are." Our rules say, "Men" and "Women" and were written well before today's definitions. The rules tell us where we can pitch from...well...you see the problem. We have spent time dealing with that for hours. We have a charter that just defied a simple By-Law that says that only a state's members can pitch in the State Tournament. Ninety-nine percent of the NHPA membership would just say, "Of course only an in-state pitcher can pitch in the State Championship." We have devoted hours of time to problems like these and they are not as simple as it sounds at first. Writing modern By-Laws and rules that are fair and up-to date takes hours of work and then they must be approved and passed by a delegate system that doesn't seem to care for change.

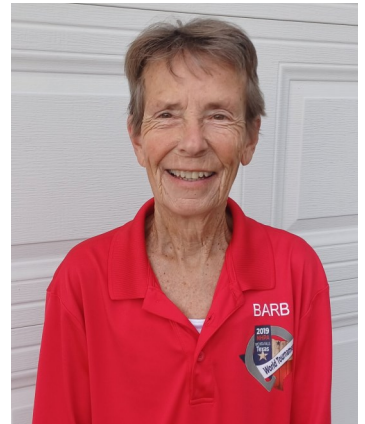
Speaking of change, expect the WT format to change big time. I am projecting that the following groups will pitch on Monday of the first week. The top ten Men's groups, the top nine Women's groups, the top 12 Elders groups and the top four Senior Men's groups. The first Saturday afternoon will crown all the adult champions during the last game of each group. The Juniors and Cadets will stay to the same routine. The second week will feature the rest of the field. We are projecting a large turnout to the tune of 1400. The final tally will cause adjustments to the above projection. This is not a maybe, we are changing the format. We will get the exact plan out in an eblast in the near future. We are also seeding the following top pitchers directly into the finals: eight Men, eight Women, eight Elders, Six Senior Men, and four Senior Women. Come be a part of this great new arrangement, it will be exciting. Come to Michigan and experience this for the first time!!! It will be great to have lots of pitchers watching the championship games of all classes.



*4th VP Message***STAT Room, Shoe Check, RD's...so much to do**

By Barbara Carson, 4th Vice President/World Tournament STAT Room, RD Director, Court Sanctioning

As I sit here in my office on a beautiful sunny, warm Sunday afternoon, I can't help but be sad that summer is almost over. It's hard to believe that the World Tournament was 2 months ago. Where does the time go? What a wonderful World Tournament in Louisiana it was. We had our challenges, but by golly we got through it. Congratulations to all of the World Champions from the 2022 World Tournament in Monroe, Louisiana, as well as all of the Class Champions from the Preliminary Tournament. We hope to see all of you in Lansing, Michigan for the 2023 World Tournament.



I would like to thank all of the RD's for all of their hours of hard work during the World Tournament Shoe Check. You all make my job easier and I appreciate everything you did to make it run smooth. Speaking of Shoe Check at the World Tournament, the council has decided to eliminate the formal Shoe Check as we know it today and implement a modified version beginning with the 2023 World Tournament in Lansing, Michigan. Your shoes will be measured and shirts and close toed shoes will be checked on day 2 or day 3 when you pick up your Round Robin Card. On day 1 you will still need to arrive 1 hour before your scheduled pitching time to the designated room for class photos and announcements from the Shift Director. Also thank you to those RD's who have just finished your season. We hope you all enjoyed some great competitive State Tournaments.

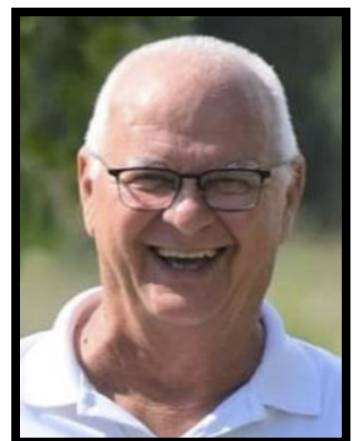
Attention RD's. Just a heads up...the year 2023 is a Court Sanction year and I have the current Court Sanction Certificates ready. Thank you to those states who picked them up at the World Tournament. I will be sending out an email to those that don't have them yet. I will need to know how many certificates you will need.

We will also be having a Charter/RD meeting during the World Tournament in Lansing, Michigan. I will let all of you know when that will be scheduled as soon as I have a date and time.

I would like to welcome 2 new RD's to our team. Welcome, David Spears in Idaho and Anne Mizuta in Hawaii. Both of you are doing a great job. Thank you for all you do. More new RD's will be recognized in upcoming Newsline editions.

Patch orders are already well underway. You're probably thinking, "this year isn't even over yet". I understand, but just be thinking about your numbers for now. I have to send my request in October in order to have them shipped to me by December. There are quite a few Charters that have tournaments beginning in January and I have to have their 2023 order and numbers in order to get their patches to them in time for January 1st.

Thank you to everyone for all of your hard work and dedication. Good Luck and keep pitchin those ringers. Hope to see all of you at World in Lansing, Michigan. Don't forget about the Warm-Up tournament that is held the Saturday before the first day. Have a great summer and enjoy the warm weather while we still can.



Alex John Carson
Nov 2, 1946-Oct 18, 2022
(Age 75)

The NHPA Council extend our love and support to Barbara Carson at the tragic loss of her friend, companion, and husband...Alex John Carson. His absence will be felt by everyone that has been at the World Tournament or that ever had the blessing to get to know him.

*5th VP Message***WT Recap from the Stat-Room***By Josh Olsen, 5th Vice President*

I'd like to start off by thanking the group of individuals that made this world tournament happen when it comes to the Stat room. It really takes a small village to make sure everything is taken care of during the World Tournament and a lot of that stuff is centered around the Stat room.

Thank you to Michelle Burns and Rhonda Davis for helping with everything they both were a huge help in the Stat room with Barb transitioning out of her old role. I also want to give a huge shoutout to Barb Carson and Melani Poole who together ran that stat room from morning until night every day during the competition, Thank you again for your help.

I can't forget Fred Lane and Blaine Scott who did everything behind the scenes with me this year, both of these guys are very passionate about this sport and they both have a drive to promote and make this sport better each and every opportunity they get. From the long days of setup getting the Camera's working to random phone calls with the 3 of us about something that needed to be talked about, I cannot express my gratitude enough from both of these guys who stepped up and helped in every way they could during the entire tournament.

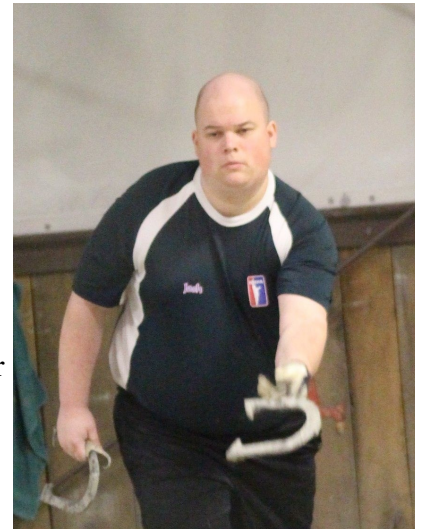
Things on my radar/to-do list for 2023

We are looking to upgrade the cameras for next year's World Tournament as well as upgrading the laptops that are used for scorekeeping. I think we are going to have a great turnout for Lansing Michigan next year so I would like to make sure we have working computers to help make the World Tournament run as smoothly as possible!

There will also be something very exciting that will be happening when it comes to streaming the action live during the Tournament, more details for that will be coming as we get closer so be on the lookout for that and you will not want to miss out on seeing what we have going on.

That is all for now, we will see you on the courts!

Josh



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Junior Director

Bring your ideas and join the Cadets/Juniors

By Ben Webb, Junior Director

With Monroe behind us it's time to look ahead to Lansing, Michigan. We had 37 combined Juniors & Cadets pitch in this year's world tournament, I would personally love to see that number double or better in Michigan. I know that seems like a large goal, and it is, but with enough time and effort I feel like anything is possible here. I've said it before and it still holds true, these juniors are the future of our sport.

There are several ideas being tossed around for our junior promotion in the future. For one we're looking at forming a committee focused specifically on our Junior promotion, to do what we need to do to ensure our future I believe its going to be best to have more minds working together for the common goal. Which is also why I'm urging every state to create a Junior Director position in their charters, if they don't already have one. We're also looking at creating a Newsletter specifically tailored towards our juniors and their interests. Also, beginning in November, I'll be bringing back our Junior Spotlight interviews to Newsline, I know these have been done before and people really enjoyed them but we've just gotten away from them.

I would like to add that if anyone has any input on any of these ideas, or has any other ideas that haven't been mentioned already to please contact me directly. My contact information will be below or on the NHPA website, you can also contact me via Facebook Messenger if you prefer that. I would love to hear everyone's input on how we can ensure the success of our junior divisions into the future. Also, if you have any junior related questions feel free to contact me as well. I may not know the answer right away but I will contact whomever I need to in order to get those answers for you. If you have any interest in helping bring these ideas to light as well, don't hesitate to throw your name in the hat.

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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) 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 on bottom)
- Shirts

NHPF Report

NHPF - Contributing to the Sport of Horseshoes

By Dave Sidles, NHPF Director

It was a pleasure being at the World Tournament this year to assist with the NHPF display table. We talked to many people about the Hall of Fame, the museum, and the NHPF in general.

I want to thank Phyllis and Jim Quist and also Jon Martin for all the hard work and time they put into setting up and manning the booth. It allowed all of us to take time off to enjoy and even play in the tournament and also mingle with the participants.

Thanks to the Louisiana charter folks for hosting a great tournament and for the light hearted competition with each of us running 50/50 raffles.

I especially applaud the NHPA council and key helpers for efficiently and skillfully handling what turned into an event where they were faced with several significant challenges.

Thanks to everyone who donated items for the two auctions as well as those who made individual donations. Your support is vitally important to the operation of the Hall of Fame and Museum.

NHPF World Tournament Summary

50/50 daily raffle proceeds - \$1375

Silent Auction (NHPF booth) - \$630

Hall of Fame Banquet Auction - \$1138.00

NHPF merchandise sales - \$445

Individual Donations

Peggy Ogden, FL - \$115

Central CT Horseshoe Club - \$500

Lindsey Horseshoe Club, S. California - \$60

Joann Stanford (in memory of Jack Mack Stanford) TN - \$75

Ellen Perry, NY - \$10

Sodbusters Horseshoe Club, VT - \$100

J.D. Smith, CA - \$70

David Sidles

NHPF President



Officers and RD Meeting

By Phyllis Quist, WA

- Barb Carson, 4th V.P., called the meeting to order. 18 states were represented.
- Ellen Perry, NY, explained SHOP – Sanctioned Horseshoe Online Pitching. It is posted on Facebook. Backyard courts are being sanctioned.
- Barb reminded all that in 2023 all courts need to be sanctioned again. The council is reviewing the present requirements and some may be changed. Notices will be sent out for any changes.
- Peggy Ogden, FL, asked about a new club that has just had their courts sanctioned – do they have to be re-sanctioned? No, just fill out the paper work and send in. R.D.s can have an assistant to sanction courts, but must be signed off by the R.D.
- If grandfathered courts are redone, they then must meet the new requirements.
- The court sanctioning must be displayed at each tournament. The document is online in Word.
- Barb reminded all R.D.s that their main duty is to keep pitchers safe on the courts and to support the NHPA.
- Discussion was held on paying Jr. and Cadet tournament winners. Some states keep a trust fund until they turn 18 and some pay the kids and some pay the parents. The states by-laws determine how payouts are handled.
- Discussion was held on whether to take the year off patches so they could be reused. Many like having the year displayed. Barb will do another survey of R.D.s for their preference. Barb said to either throw away the present unused patches or send them back to her. Also turn in your 2023 order for patches in September as she orders all patches in October.
- Jerry Smith, 3rd V.P., gave an update on Sanctioned Leagues. It's going good but the pandemic really has hurt as 45 regular clubs did not have sanctioned leagues last year. Anybody can pitch in a sanctioned league even if they are not NHPA members – use them as pacers. It is a great way to get new people started.
- The Sanctioned League Tournament will be held this year in Wentzville, MO on October 1st and 2nd.
- All were encouraged to be positive promoters and supporters of the NHPA.
- Meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Phyllis Quist, WA

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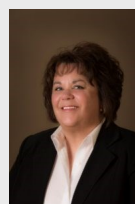
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From the desk of the NHPA Secretary/Treasurer

Have you checked out eShoe lately?

By Jim Kinney Jr., Secretary/Treasurer

The NHPA council has been busy in 2022 with the new administration and new ideas. A few pitchers have expressed their interest in some changes that may be beneficial to the NHPA. One of the changes we discussed at the world delegate meeting was passed allowing men to pitch from 30 feet in the year they turn 65 years old. There are other issues that are actively being worked, but this is one of the most recent.

The eShoe program is working fantastic thanks to Kurt Whaley, David Sidles, and all the people who help run the program. There have been a few minor changes to help with the information presented in the program. One of the items added is the Featured Events. If you go to www.nhpa-eshoe.com you will be able to click on Featured Events and it will take you to the 2022 World Tournament results. This is one thing Kurt and David have been working on to make the eShoe program interesting and informational. Along with a Player Search option the tool bar has Stats and Events. If you click on Stats it will take you to a list of all the charters and the list of the Top 100 Men, Women, Elders, Boys, Girls, and Cadets in the country. There is also an option of a complete file of pitchers and their stats. You then have an option to click on a charter of your choice. This will give you all the Stats for the pitchers in the charter you choose. You can print out the stats or Export the stats into an excel spreadsheet. Also in the tool bar is an option to chose Events. If you click on events this will give you a list of events scheduled for all the charters. You have an option to choose a charter with a from date thru a to date. This will give you a list of events either already played or that is going to be played. There is a trophy to the left of the event date. If you hover over the trophy, it will let you know if the event has been reported or not. If it has been reported, you can click on the trophy and it will have the results of the event. These are some tools in the eShoe file to make all pitchers experience great. There are a lot more features in eShoe that only your charter officers have access to. I can say the NHPA has never had this capability to access a player or event in the past. It is truly a tool that has brought the NHPA to the next century of tracking a sanctioned pitcher or an event in any charter.

The 2022 World Tournament has come and gone. We had some great pitching and some new records that were broken. There were a few things that came up to make it very interesting. Some were not great, but most made it a great experience. We had a fantastic team of officers and volunteers who stepped up when they were needed. I want to personally thank everyone who helped make this tournament a success. The NHPA officers will take what they have learned from the world tournament and apply it to the 2023 world tournament in Lansing, Michigan. We are looking forward to Lansing being another great experience for all who attend.

If you have any questions on any issue, please contact me or one of our NHPA officers. The NHPA officers now have a monthly meeting to discuss old and new issues. We are here to facilitate anything you have a question about. If we do not know the answer, we will work to find the answer you need. We cannot make everyone happy, but we can make everyone's experience in the NHPA a little better. Hope to see you on the courts.

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Records are made to be broken!

By Stan Griggs, NHPA World tournament Statistician

The 104th National Horseshoes Pitchers Association World Tournament was just completed in West Monroe, Louisiana and broken they were.

For the tenth consecutive year “The GOAT” – Alan Francis from Defiance, Ohio pitched his way to the top of the mountain once again earning him his 26th WORLD TITLE pitching 658 ringers out of 774 shoes for an over-all average of 85.01%. The final match of the tournament was the deciding factor against Kitchener, Ontario Canada’s very own Drew Becker as they went 104 shoes with Alan missing only ten shoes the entire game. The nickname bestowed on Alan cannot be denied as he now has won eighteen of the last nineteen World Titles.



A record that has stood for 60 Years now was matched when 15-Year Old, Sarah Chaffee from Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin departed from the Junior Girls Division and pitched with the Championship Women. With a perfect record of 15-0 and pitching 806 ringers out of 932 shoes for an over-all average of 86.48% she now joins Sue Gillespie from 1962 as the youngest to ever win a Women’s World Title.

Bob Gray from The Villages, Florida won his 1st Elder’s 30ft Title averaging 76.41%

Rick Howe from Gardner, Massachusetts was crowned Senior Men’s World Champion with a 72.76%

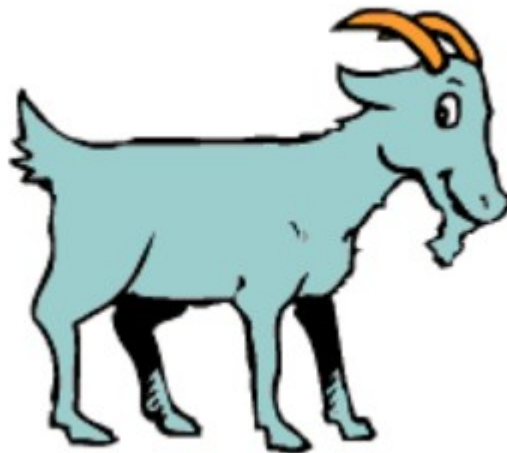
Sheila Shepard from Westminster, Colorado earned her 9th Senior Women’s Title averaging 64.29%

Derek Reynolds from London, Arkansas captured his 3rd Junior Boys Crown with an 81.67%

Kalie Trujillo from Cuba, New Mexico won the Junior Girls World Title averaging 52.72%

Eli Sullivan from Crozet, Virginia won the Cadet Boys Division while averaging 69.05%

Crystal Knighten from Deatsville, Alabama was crowned the Cadet Girls World Champion



My experience at the World Tournament

By Vicki Winston

On July 15, my friend, Sharon Taylor and I set out for Monroe, Louisiana to enjoy a bit of the World Tournament and a change of scenery. WRONG! We didn't know we were heading for a Covid Super Spreader event and both of us would spend much of our stay in our hotel rooms trying to hide from the virus. I was not successful, but she was. She was not with me when I went to the venue for 2 or 3 hours on Saturday, July 16 and visited with folks as I traveled the maze of hallways. I knew I was in trouble when by Sunday evening I learned that some of the people I visited with were on the way home because they had tested positive for Covid. I'd had a third shot, but not a fourth. I was thinking how very appropriate Missouri's 2021 State Tournament shirt would have been for the 2022 World Tournament. It was a bright yellow shirt with the Covid logo or symbol incorporated in red into the design of the shirt. Something similar to that would have been an appropriate design for the 2022 World Tournament shirt. Ha!



I did get to enjoy two of my favorite events that are held during the World Tournament. I always enjoy going to the Sunday afternoon non-denominational Chapel Service and of course the Hall of Fame and Awards Banquet on Sunday evening. Even though his wife is still battling cancer, Ken Heinritz was able to be present in Monroe and participate in the tournament, as well as fulfill the duties of his position as the NHPA Chaplain. No matter how often a person may attend his/her own church at home, something good can always be learned and experienced at the NHPA Chapel Service.

It was a privilege to preside over the Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony during the Sunday evening banquet. Unfortunately, Ronnie Simmons passed away in Feb. 2021 and none of his family members were able to make the trip from California to accept his award. His plaque has been sent to his son, Kelly Simmons and his wife, Carol, who are preserving Ronnie's horseshoe pitching memorabilia for future generations of his family. Ronnie was inducted in the Historic Era Player category. It was nice to have Debra Brown, her husband and some members of their family present for her induction, even though it was a long trip. Debra was inducted in the Player category. Her World Tournament career is not as lengthy as some, but what she has done is pretty outstanding. She has also always been involved in promoting the sport at home, especially working with leagues and juniors, plus holding various offices in her charter.

After the Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony was concluded, we were then entertained by a live auction to benefit the NHPF, which helps support the NHPA/NHPF Hall of Fame Museum and Pitching Complex in Wentzville, MO, as well as promoting our sport and issuing a few grants each year to local clubs who may need a little assistance in improving their pitching facilities. The auction is also entertaining, because there are always lots of laughs as the bidding process takes place for various items. Thanks to all that either donated or purchased items at the auction. You might like to know that if you send cash donations to the NHPF, those are tax deductible. I believe that you can find information on where to send donations on the NHPF link of the NHPA website.

I would have been ready to head for home on July 18th, but I had scheduled a HOF Committee Meeting for July 19th, so needed to stay for that. Prior to Covid, there had been the possibility of having 7 members, plus myself, gathered together at one time. Another was on the courts. As it turned out, there were 5 members and myself. It's always nice to be able to discuss a few things in person and there will be one topic that the entire committee will be taking part in discussing this fall, so we have a little work ahead instead of getting a vacation until the 2023 voting takes place.

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We left the Monroe area on the morning of July 20th, and I think I can truthfully say that is the first of over 60 World Tournaments I have attended where I never saw a horseshoe pitched in competition. That was rather disappointing. However, I admire all of the volunteers who stepped in to substitute for the NHPA Council members and staff who had to leave the tournament. It continued to go on as scheduled for the entire second week, although minus a few pitchers. What a tough initiation the NHPA President, Gary Roberts, had in presiding over his first World Tournament as president. However, it would appear that he, the few NHPA Council members who remained, and all of the volunteers who stepped in did an outstanding job handling a very difficult situation.

As I was driving home I was pretty sure it was a good thing we were on our way back to Missouri, because I kind of thought I had something more than a summer cold. I turned out to be correct. The good news is that we had safe travels and no car trouble on our "vacation." Thankfully, even though she was cooped up in the van with me for many hours, Sharon's 4th vaccine shot worked. She didn't get Covid from me or anyone else. I was not real sick, but I was not well either, and there were some lingering after effects, but I am out and about when I need to be. I hope all who became ill because of their trip to the World Tournament have now recovered. I enjoyed spending parts of 2 days at our 4 day Missouri State Tournament. It's always nice to see old friends, but sadly many folks I once knew are no longer with us.

Just a reminder that you have only until January 31, 2023 to submit nominations to be included in the 2023 Hall of Fame voting. I have received one since I got back home from the WT. If you are toying with the idea of nominating someone, please do not wait until the last minute. Go ahead, get the information gathered, print out the Nomination Form, or submit the nomination on a facsimile of that form, while it's still 2022. You will find the Official HOF Nomination Form on the Hall of Fame link of the NHPA website. Follow all of the instructions and I will be looking forward to hearing from you. Have a wonderful autumn season and remember it's getting time to pay your 2023 NHPA dues. Sorry, but it's hard to forget the 28 years I spent as a Charter Secretary/Treasurer. Ha!

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Womens Top 100 Stats 25 Oct 2022

Rank	Card #	First Name	Last Name	State	Division	Ringer Percent	Events Played
1	280216	Sarah	Chaffee	WI	Women	86.80	10
2	330031	Marlene	Ray	TN	Women	86.29	19
3	330030	Maxine	Griffith	TN	Women	85.78	19
4	350626	Shalee	Cason	FL	Women	80.46	12
5	490476	Skyla	Rioux	CT	Women	79.35	13
6	480180	Theresa	Howe	MA	Women	78.62	17
7	330173	Joan	Elmore	TN	Women	78.59	12
8	220130	Doris	Hieden	TX	Women	78.57	12
9	664710	Sylvianne	Moisan	QC	Women	75.63	3
10	280078	Penny	Steinke	WI	Women	75.16	22
11	190217	Lachelle	Cook	MO	Women	71.38	5
12	280268	Aleena	Lepak	WI	Women	70.66	7
13	360294	Amy	Francis	OH	Women	70.40	11
14	800439	Pam	Meyer	MO	Women	69.80	14
15	440520	Karen	Graham	NY	Women	69.17	30

Mens Top 100 Stats 25 Oct 2022

Rank	Card #	First Name	Last Name	State	Division	Ringer Percent	Events Played
1	360940	Alan	Francis	OH	Men	88.04	10
2	320292	Tyler	Howard	KY	Men	75.80	12
3	260084	Dan	Watson	AL	Men	75.65	8
4	657381	Drew	Becker	ON	Men	75.44	3
5	390143	Randy	Zeiders	PA	Men	75.00	10
6	100290	Brandon	Tenijieth	AZ	Men	73.76	8
7	320063	Ben	Webb	KY	Men	73.00	14
8	10058	Matt	Fuller	WA	Men	72.99	10
9	290652	Austin	Bailey	IL	Men	71.47	9
10	350369	Walter Ray	Williams Jr	FL	Men	70.48	33
11	200023	Gary	Bearpaw	OK	Men	69.91	3
12	190693	Michael	Bowman	MO	Men	69.81	11
13	480132	Rick	Howe	MA	Men	69.02	27
14	460059	Gale	Greene	VT	Men	68.92	15
15	480259	Raymond	Bedard	MA	Men	68.33	19

Elders Top 100 Stats 25 Oct 2022

Rank	Card #	First Name	Last Name	State	Division	Ringer Percent	Events Played
1	370121	David	Holmes	WV	Elders	82.61	15
2	10135	Russ	Phillips	WA	Elders	79.83	19
3	350350	Bob	Gray	FL	Elders	75.63	19
4	220577	Danny	Patterson	TX	Elders	73.69	20
5	240222	Bert	Logsdon	IA	Elders	73.23	14
6	340080	Zane	Goggin	GA	Elders	73.08	7
7	360106	Rich	Knerem Sr.	OH	Elders	72.55	21
8	220870	Tom	Routh	TX	Elders	72.43	20
9	280236	Jim	Bilderback	WI	Elders	71.76	22
10	190103	Ronald	Legrand	MO	Elders	71.52	12
11	100192	Mike	Massari	AZ	Elders	71.51	25
12	191082	Edward	Griffith	MO	Elders	70.83	12
13	290240	Steve	Denault	IL	Elders	70.58	17
14	95094	Benj	Rains	UT	Elders	70.38	21
15	480354	David	Bliss	MA	Exempt	69.89	7

Girls Top 25 Stats 25 Oct 2022

Rank	Card #	First Name	Last Name	State	Division	Ringer Percent	Events Played
1	801060	Kalie	Trujillo	NM	Girls	53.88	7
2	490491	Lizy	Jordan	CT	Girls	51.22	9
3	191533	Sadie	Wolken	MO	Girls	37.37	14
4	180473	Danyelle	Russell	KS	Girls	35.93	8
5	340280	Lily	Strong	CA	Girls	33.08	8
6	280115	Lillyan	Kildahl	WI	Girls	32.10	4
7	95085	Kayla	Julander	UT	Girls	29.50	19
8	31233	Kaidence	Begaye	CA	Girls	29.35	1
9	130865	Cherie	Harges	IN	Girls	28.69	5
10	220456	Ashlyn	Luster	TX	Girls	27.79	5
11	150396	Uria	Gabel	ND	Girls	27.34	5
12	190110	Eli	Delacruz	MO	Girls	23.69	7
13	802438	Addyson	Gregg	PA	Girls	23.09	3
14	95096	Adilaide	Ohms	UT	Girls	14.84	11
15	95313	Harlee	Landis	UT	Girls	13.99	2

Boys Top 50 Stats 25 Oct 2022

Rank	Card #	First Name	Last Name	State	Division	Ringer Percent	Events Played
1	210074	Derek	Reynolds	AR	Boys	78.71	7
2	31151	Hastiin	Begaye	CA	Boys	71.83	4
3	200245	Walker	Forrester	OK	Boys	70.00	3
4	260172	Tyler	Harris	AL	Boys	65.24	10
5	360274	Zander	Potts	OH	Boys	62.78	4
6	191622	Brady	Fox	MO	Boys	59.51	7
7	220641	Isaac	Nelson Jr.	TX	Boys	59.18	18
8	490452	Riley	Malino	CT	Boys	58.46	15
9	360365	Caiden	Hogue	OH	Boys	50.45	6
10	190045	Memo	Ramirez	MO	Boys	48.41	20
11	95078	Coulson	Ohms	UT	Boys	42.66	12
12	150403	Jackson	Johnson	ND	Boys	41.11	7
13	802055	Todd	Stabler Iii	NE	Boys	41.03	9
14	800579	Cole	Harland	UT	Boys	40.37	2
15	220912	Stone	Trevino	TX	Boys	39.29	3

Cadets Top 25 Stats 25 Oct 2022

Rank	Card #	First Name	Last Name	State	Division	Ringer Percent	Events Played
1	380630	Eli	Sullivan	VA	Cadet Boys	72.54	19
2	802657	Tom	Grose	NV	Cadet Boys	56.83	14
3	801315	Evan	Bedard	MA	Cadet Boys	46.86	12
4	803261	Jayden	Fri	MI	Cadet Boys	40.08	1
5	220815	Preston	Beusch	TX	Cadet Boys	35.15	7
6	231968	Tristan	Dehkes	MN	Cadet Boys	31.41	5
7	802041	Garrett	Kinsey	TN	Cadet Boys	30.92	7
8	31223	Adakai	Begaye	CA	Cadet Boys	29.86	4
9	800879	Landon	Morgan	IL	Cadet Boys	29.72	14
10	802970	Alexzander	Schmidt	GA	Cadet Boys	28.90	7
11	31141	Evelyn	Espinola	CA	Cadet Girls	28.64	2
12	800315	Ethan	Knighten	AL	Cadet Boys	27.64	10
13	801361	Cody	Brickell	CO	Cadet Boys	26.42	4
14	800314	Crystal	Knighten	AL	Cadet Girls	26.07	10
15	370009	Max	Martin	WV	Cadet Boys	22.73	2



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