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33 new WHPA Members!

As new members to the WHPA the following members receive a complimentary copy of our Wisconsin Horseshoe Newsletter (WHNL): Jim Bird, Wilfred Fillback, Cody Fredrickson, Stephanie Peterson, Matthew Podschweit, Ashley Podschweit, Gregory Smith, Wally Grulkowski, Eva Skrobis, Sam Woolsey, Jon Young, Hunter McCrossen, Brent Edgerton, Wayne Gilson, Brandon Ferguson, John Dood, Carl Hopkins, Stephanie Morgese, Gina Poth, Maggie Vaughn, Kelly Thayer, Fred Base, Jim Houshtaling, Peggy McFarland, Marvin Mengel, Rick Weister, Brent Stoeckel, Sandy Anderson, Dave Leckwee, Justin Putnam, Brian Schoonover, Desi Armstrong, Johanna Backes.

Welcome to you all! We will be looking for you at some of the tournaments around the state. Enjoy and get to know your horseshoe family.



George Moraza is the 60 and over Senior Olympics Horseshoe pitcher. Congratulations George. Thanks to Penny Steinke for the picture and heads up on this accomplishment.

Sending Good Luck Wishes

The WHPA has 28 members proudly representing the state in this prestigious tournament held yearly at different locations throughout the North American continent. Wisconsin pitchers began pitching July 17 and finish the round robin play on July 26. If a pitcher pitches well and has one of the top 16 averages in their respective division, they have opportunity to play in the Championship Round beginning July 27. It is a challenge and honor to be in this class of play. WHPA pitchers are Jim Bilderback, Rich Brockway, John Brophy, Cindy Castellano, Sarah Chaffee, Al Huizenga, Jerry Kamps, Les Karpiel, Lillyan Kildahl, Aleena Lepak, Ralph Marthaler, Mark Mauthe, Bruce McLinn, John Meyer, Joel Ramsdell, Mark Rice, Dave Schorbahn, Toni Sloper, Jim Tollefson, Dave Volz and Rick Weller. Hopefully, this issue is out before the WT has finished. You can watch the WT participants by visiting www.horseshoepitching.com. Good Luck to all!



Talented horseshoe pitcher, Tony Scrima, created this amazing trailer hitch.

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Horseshoe Pitchers Association



President's Message Gary Volz

I would like to start by wishing everyone pitching in the world tournament good luck and safe travels. I recall our family vacations to the world tournament. The first was Eau Claire in 1987 and the last was Biloxi in 1991. I will always cherish those memories. Since then I have been able to have my own family vacation to the world tournament. We attended Cedar Rapids in 2010. The family vacations were about spending time together and creating great memories with a little horseshoes thrown in. I hope all of you get the chance to do the same.

Summer is flying by. The state tournament will be upon us shortly. Before that try to pitch in some of the tournaments throughout the state. Thank you to all the tournament directors for their hard work in putting on so many great events. See you in Beloit.

The capstone event for the one who loves pitching horseshoes has to be the one held on the grand stage . . . the World Tournament. This tournament is touted as the favorite by many, including myself. For starters, the 16 man class is tight from top to bottom. That means the every player has a legitimate chance to win. The difference between the top & bottom seeded players is usually around I ringer. So the 3 days of competition is worth the trip right there. But the comaraderie developed with pitchers across the U.S. builds year after year & entices a person to keep coming back. The location of the tournament changes each year so

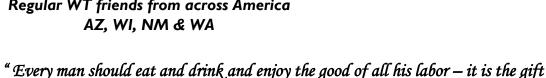


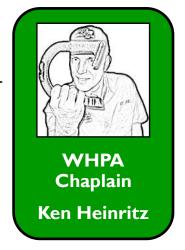
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the sites are unique to that area & gives a great excuse to vacation in that area of the country. And who knows, maybe you walk away with a \$500 check for winning your class.

This year in St. George, Utah will be my 18th World Tournament & I think I am looking forward to this one more than all the rest! If you have never had the privilege of entering a World Tournament, why not begin making plans for South Carolina in 2018. You won't regret it!

Regular WT friends from across America AZ, WI, NM & WA







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2017 Tournament Schedule						
Month/	Tournament	Location	Entry	Sanction	Deadline	Contact
05/06 Aug	Mosinee Open	Mosinee	\$20	28-17-046	Jul 30	Trent Bratland
12 Aug	Lox Classic	Combined Locks	\$18	28-17-027	Aug 7	Rosemary Kamps
12/13 Aug	Warm up	Beloit	\$20	28-17-028	Aug 03	Earl Paulson
15 Aug	Carson Park Classic	Eau Claire	\$20	28-17-029	Aug 08	Dean Chaffee
19 Aug	Winnebagoland	Fond du Lac	\$20	28-17-023	Aug 12	John Meyer
02/03 Sep	State Tournament	Beloit	\$25	28-17-031	Jul 3 l	John Secord
Sta	ate Championship	Beloit		28-17-032		
09/10 Sep	Wet N Wild	Balsam Lake	\$15	28-17-033	Aug 31	Jane Smith
I6 Sep	Goldsmith Doubles	Beloit	\$20	non-sanctioned	Sep 06	Earl Paulson
16 Sep	Arkdale Doubles	Arkdale	\$22	28-17-034	Sep 02	Duane Henriksen
07/08 Oct	Fall Singles	Beloit	\$20	28-17-035	Sep 28	Earl Paulson
21/22 Oct	Deansville Singles	Deansville	\$20	28-17-036	Oct 14	Rudy Van Fleet
04/05 Nov	Autumn Harvest	Beloit	\$20	28-17-037	Oct 25	Earl Paulson
11/12 Nov	Doubles at the Barrel	Deansville	\$20	28-17-038	Nov 04	Rudy Van Fleet
02/03 Dec	Snowflake	Beloit	\$20	28-17-039	Nov 22	Earl Paulson
09/10 Dec	Deansville Open	Deansville	\$20	8-17-040	Dec 02	Rudy Van Fleet
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TBD	CDC League	Balsam Lake			xxxxxxxxxx	
TBD	Arkdale League	Arkdale	28	-17-042 xxxxxxxx	XXXXXXXXXX	xxx

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POY Update

New London

Stevens Point

Jane Smith

Wolf River League

Stevens Point League

At this time, we have 223 WHPA members pitching and placing 1st, 2nd, 3rd or attending WHPA meetings earning points for the prestigious Pitcher of the Year Award. 44 WHPA events are used to determine the Division winners. There are 4 events left to be added before winners can be identified. Division A pitchers have posted year end averages of 45% or better. The top candidates in this division are in alphabetical order: Glenn Bogenschneider, Ron Button, Bun Carley, Larry Grabowski, Bruce McLinn, John Meyer, Leo Richtor, Penny Steinke. Division B pitchers have averages between 30-44.99%. The pitchers in contention are: Roger Anderson, Russ Brockway, Ray Groskinski, Dobie Gutweiler, Al Holloway, Elaine Troullier, Rudy Van Fleet, Rick Weller. Division C averages are anything below 29.99%. The contenders are: Mike Lange, Dan Newkirk, Tammy Newkirk, Cliff Shave, Tom Steinke, Mary Thompson, Ed Wheeler.

THANK YOU!!

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A very special THANKS to Kari David, Kevin Brekke, Ray Groskinsky, Cindy & Joe Casellano and Fred Lane for sending photos for this issue. Our first class WHNL is one of the best—thanks to everyone contributing.



Deansville Pitchers at the St. Point Rendezvous

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Wolf River Open			
K	en Jaeg	er	
Class A			
Martin Papesh	7	0	58.21
Ron Button	6	I	66.07
Steve Mielke	4	3	46.78
Class B			
Steve Wiegert	5	2	46.07
Susie Erickson	5	2	45.7 I
Norb Fuhrman	5	2	41.42
Class C			
Randy Mitchell	6	I	31.42
Paula Schwerdifeger	5.5	1.5	38.92
James Wicklander	5	2	32.14
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	an Cha	•	
Class A	an Cna	ince	
Lonny Trangsrud	7	0	52.9
Dean Chaffee	5	2	55.8
Dick Dvorak	4	3	41.3
Class B	•	3	11.5
Bob Kallstrom	6	1	40.4
Dave Schorbahn	6	i	42.1
Dennis Bach	4	3	40.8
Class C	•	J	10.0
Ralph Marthaler	6	1	25.4
Paul Olson	5	-	19.2
Tim Sheehan	5	2 2	23.8
riiii Sheenan	•	_	25.0
Fag	le Riv	er	
	ff Erick		
Class A and Class B			
Class C	· amed	out	
Jim Verstoppen	6	2	39
Susie Erickson	6	2	31.8
Michael Benzing Jr	5	3	32.18
Class D	•	J	32.10
Isaac Wegner	7	0	23.8
Jerremy Wegner	6	Ĭ	33.3
Art Collien	4	3	12.38
<u>Cadets</u>	•	3	12.50
Brandon Benzing	4	0	40.8
Blake Benzing	2	2	18.33
Bradley Benzing	0	4	5
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Sylvia & Dan David Memorial Tourney Mel & Sonia Cook

Class A
Ron Button
Larry Grabowski
Glenn Bogenschneider
Class B
Dean Groshek
Tava Cook
Ralph Marthaler
Class C
Lillyan Kildahl
Lauren Cook
Braeden Gessert



2017 Sylvia & Dan David Memorial Tournament held June 17 proved HOT & FUN!

Boasting a wide age span of Ceil at 85 years young and Conner at 6 years old. Three classes all pitched at 11am filling the courts at Braem Park in Marshfield. Undefeated Ron Button pitched 71% over-all. His toughest game was against 2nd place Larry Grabowski who averaged 63.9%. Glenn Bogenschneider took 3rd with Ed Hack in 4th.

Class B Champion Dean Groshek pitched 37% winning all but one game. He tied with Tava Cook who earned 2nd place. Ralph Marthaler tied W/L with Sonia Cook but took 3rd by ringer percent. John Drexler came in 5th with Veronica Groshek in 6th.

Class C was a double round robin with Cadet Lillyan Kildahl first place edging out Jr. Lauren Cook. Braedyn Gessert and Conner Kildahl each had two wins.

NOTICE: Due to a family weddingthere will NOT be a tournament hosted in Marshfield on June 16, 2018. It was awesome to have all the courts filled and visit with our horseshoe family.



Platteville Spring Singles Norm / Mark Mauthe

Class A			
Bruce McLinn	5	I	58.27
John Meyer	4	2	58.62
Pam Aiken	3	2	56
Class B			
Bun Carley	5	0	48
Nick Muller	4	- 1	52
Ray Groskinsky	3	2	50.8
Class C			
Gloria Sheff	4.5	1.5	37.5
Jerry Schroeder	4	2	39.16
Dobie Gutweiler	4	2	32.5
Class D			
Matt Lee	4	- 1	18
Gene Friede	3	2	22
Sandy Anderson	3	2	19.5

Class A	Pam Aiken	68
Class B	Nick Muller	64
Class C	Jerry Schroeder	50
Class D	Gene Friede	35

It was another beautiful day for horseshoe pitching. Scores ran pretty good, but we did have a lot of high average pitchers entered. Due to the funeral of Norm's sister being on the same day, Jeff became the Tournament Director. Jill Chaffee and Shirley Carley helped out with the results board. Sheiran Austin brought in some food and Amanda Mauthe ran the food stand.

Thanks to Platteville Country Kitchen for the gift certificates and thank you to the pitchers and their friends and family members who helped out.





Beloit Spring Fling Earl / Jimmy Paulson

Class A			
Bruce McLinn	5	0	48.40
Leo Richter	4	I	50.8
Al Huizenga	3	2	37.6
Class B			
Steven Kampmeier	5	I	42.5
Jim Huckabee	3	3	32.5
Leo Linhart	2	4	27.92
Class C			
Tammy Newkirk	5	0	41.6
Rowen Swick	3	2	30
Dennis Simler	3	2	28.8
Class D			
Tony Scrima	4	1	29.2
Dan Newkirk	3	2	26.8
Rob Tilton	3	2	25.6
Class E			
Ed Dolan	6	0	18.33
Robert Starck	5	1	20
Greg Bergles	3	3	18.78
Class F			
Jim Alf	5	0	20
Paul Henning	4	I	20
Dave Carpenter	3	2	14.4





Pictures from the Ken Kosky Memorial. Left to right: First time Tournament Director Kent Frailing; three time tournament champion, Ron Button; Class A top three—Ray Groskinsky, Ron Button, John Meyer; Class B top three—Dennis Bach, Ed Hack, Jim Verstoppen.

More pictures from the Ken Kosky Memorial Tournament on page 11.

Ken	Kosky Memoria	al
	Kent Frailing	

Kent	Frailing	
7	0	68.99
6	1	68.35
4	3	62. I
7	0	49.2
6		46.7
4	3	45.7
6		35.7
6		35.2
4	3	34.2
6		39. I
5	2	34.2
4	3	36.6
6		30.9
6	I	19.52
5	2	16.1
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A very big THANK YOU to all who pitched in the Ken Kosky Memorial Tournament on June 24th and 25th, 2017.

I knew Ken Kosky long before I even began pitching horseshoes. He contacted me to construct a room and a floor that would accommodate the horseshoes he sold, which I did.

In 2016, at one of our meetings of The Little Bull Falls Horseshoe Club, we began a calendar to see who would be doing activities and tournaments. The Ken Kosky Memorial Tournament came up, and there was no show of hands. Although I have only pitched a couple of years, after listening to other pitchers explaining the impact Ken Kosky had on the sport of horseshoes and the fact that I knew him personally, I could not let it go, so I raised my hand.

Scared, I plunged head first into something I had no knowledge of, and I am so happy I did, I met people who I had only heard of, and horseshoe pitchers have to be the nicest people in the world. Everyone at the tournament knew it was my first one as tournament director, and each and every one of you can pat yourself on the back for lending a hand, giving advice to me and having patience to make the tour-

nament a success!

This year's tournament was the biggest we have ever had! Besides acknowledging the pitchers who helped with the tournament, I would like to thank the behind the scenes people: Marcy Hack of Wausau, John Olson of Schofield, Larry Klopetek of Schofield, Sean Shopinski of Mosinee, Joni Filipiak of Weston, and Kevin Brekke of Edgerton.

As you look through the standings, for the most part, it was a close competition. At the tournament, we had 3 first time sanctioned pitchers: Wally Grulkowski, took 2nd place in class D, Craig Hans took 3rd in class E, and I believe it was Brent Stockel's first tournament.

Again, Thank All of You! If anyone has any suggestions on how to improve the Ken Kosky Tournament, please feel free to contact me at 715-574-1459, or e mail me: horseshoesKent@outlook.com I am looking forward to Hosting the Ken Kosky Memorial Tournament again next year.

Phil Wahl Open Wayne Lemar

Class A			
Lonny Trangarud	5	0	58.5
Gunnar David	4	I	61.
Kari David	2	3	31.5
Class B			
Dave Volz	5	0	32.5
Jim Heim	4	I	22.5
Marvin Mengel	3	2	29.5

The fourth annual Phil Wahl Open tournament was another fun rvent again this year. It was a mix of elders, men, women and Juniors. The courts are next to the beautiful Half Way Creek Park shelter in Holmen. The courts are on memory of Phil Wahl by his son Mike Wahl. In 2016, Mike had the courts upgraded with new concrete walkways and new score boards. Mike also provided free lunch and refreshments. We thank Mike for his support. Congratulations to all the participants and winners for a fun tournament; we thank Joh Brophy, Jim Heim and Mike Wahl for making it all happen. I thank my wife, Ardelle, for recording scores. Hope to see you all next year — bring a friend!

Kickapoo Valley Cody Frederickson

Class A	•		
Gunnar David	7	0	62.21
Leo Richter	6	- 1	56.07
Jeff Mauthe	5	2	65
Class B			
Butch Kohnen	3	4	34.28
Al Holloway	2	5	40.71
Rick Weller	2	5	33.82
Class C			
Kari David	6	- 1	27.5
Tammy Wild	5	2	31.78
Dave Volz	4	3	32.14
Class D			
Riley Wild	4	3	35.71
Will Fillback	I	6	8.21



Gunnar David



Kari David



Al Holloway Butch Kohnen



Muskego Open Pan Aiken

Class A			
Penny Steinke	5	0	67.6
Pam Aiken	3	2	54
Class B			
Jane Smith	3	2	37.6
Ray Groskinsky	2	3	44.4
Norm Beckius	I	4	24.8
Class C			
Jim Huckabee	5		41.7
Cliff Shave	4	2	35.7
Harold Ballman	3	2	36.8
Class D			
George Moraza	4		28.4
Trisha Pennoyer	3	2	35.6
Dave Quaid	3	2	34
Class E			
Greg Bergles	6	I	15.9
Wayne Franzen	4	2	19.7
Richard Conrad	4	2	17.6

This was a first time visit to the Muskego courts. We began the weekend by attending a Brewer game—they won. The courts, Steinke's and club members were very gracious hosts. It was an awesome event—one we will repeat in coming years.



Arkdale Open				8 th Annual Pat	triot
Ray Groskinsky				Kevin Brekk	æ
Class A		•		Class A	
Ron Button	6	- 1	57.5	Bruce McLinn	51.07
Bun Carley	5	2	52.9	Dan Lessman	46.07
Penny Steinke	4	3	56. 4	Kevin Peterson	41.07
Class B				Class B	
Cindy Castellano	5	0	55.6	Rick Borgwardt	35.36
Al Holloway	3	2	40.4	Jim Tollefson	28.93
Cliff Erickson	3	2	39.6	Roger Anderson	31.79
Class C				Class C	
Duane Heneiksen	7	0	43.9	Dave Quaid	33
Todd Sheehan	5	2	40.4	Tom Bird	28.5
Michael Benzing Jr	5	2	33.9	Rondi Mengelt	23
Class D				Class D	
Paula Schwerstfeger	7	0	36. 4	Mary Thompson	26.43
Ray Cayer	4	3	31.4	Georgia Beebe	25.36
Tonya Kaulum	4	3	30.7	Brian Schoonover	26.79
Class E				Class E	
Evan Schoohs	7	0	27. I	Dave Brekken	22.86
Dave Volz	5	2	32.I	Gene Friede	21.43
Tom Steinke	4.5	2.5	22.8	Ed Dolan	19.29
Youth				Class F	
Carter Poppy	5	0	19.3	Russ Burns	12.5
Blake Benzing	4	1	18	Barb Ramquist	3
Brandon Benzing	3	2	13.3	Aiden Quam	8
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Arkdale Class A



Arkdale Class B



Arkdale Class C



Arkdale Class D



Arkdale Class E



Arkdale Cadet Winners

Stevens Point			
	Fred La	ane	
Class A			
Sarah Chaffee	6	I	57.5
Larry Grabowski	5	2	62.86
Aleena Lepak	5	2	56.07
Class B			
Cal Pitel	7	I	57.08
Todd sheehan	5	3	37.5
Dean Groshek	4	4	47.08
Class C			
Paula Schwerstfeger	6	I	33.57
Tonya Kalum	4	3	31. 4 3
Michael Benzing Jr	4	3	27.5
Class D			
Mona Lane	5.5	1.5	28.93
Veronica Groshek	5	2	40.36
Randy Mitchell	4 .5	2.5	31. 4 3
Class E			
Allison Birr	6	I	25
Craig Hans	6	I	18.57
Fred Lane	5	2	17.14
Class F			
Brandon Benzing	7	0	19.05
Blake Benzing	6	I	23.81
Jedidiah Sowatzke	5	2	17.14

On Saturday, the Cadets and Juniors started the day off, followed by Class C and Class E. On

Sunday, Class B kicked off the day followed by Class A and then Class D.

After Class B completed, we had a dedication and ceremony to rename the horseshoe courts, "Schelke Horseshoe Courts" in honor of the late Pete and Dorothy Schelke. The Schelke's were pioneers for horseshoes in the 1970's promoting the sport in Stevens Point and were the ones to get the original horseshoe courts put in at Mead Park. As part of the Ceremony, the Mayor of Stevens Point, Mike Wiza, came down to say a short speech and pitch out the Ceremonial first Pitch to start Class A. Also joining us from Florida was Pete and Dorothy's Son, John Schelke along with his wife Mary-Kay. We were blessed to have many other family members, past pitchers and members from the Public in attendance.

On behalf of the Stevens Point Horseshoe Club, I want to thank everyone that came to support the tournament from the competitors to spectators and all those that pitched in.

Special thanks to Kevin Brekke for his help this weekend. Kevin was able to call the Mead Park Horseshoe courts his stomping grounds roughly 40 years ago. He helped out both days keeping score and greeting everyone that came to the tournament. We look forward to hosting next years tourney and hope we have as good of a turnout as we did this year.













Ken Kosky Memorial Class C

Ken Kosky Memorial Class D

Ken Kosky Memorial Class E



Hall of Fame Patch
Kevin Brekke / John Resch
At the last Hall of Fame
committee meeting, Kevin
Brekke brought up that it
would be a good idea to have
Throndsen Lettering, Inc.
make the patches. It was

also decided that all current living hall of fame members present at this year's hall of fame induction at the state meeting would receive a patch also. Any current hall of fame member not present would be contacted and sent one patch. Every member would be able to buy an additional patch for a cost of 5.00. If you are a current hall of fame member, I would ask you to be present at the ceremony at state this year, to receive your patch.











Stevens Point Rendezvous

Fred Lane

Class B
Craig Hans / Bev Hans
Dustin Duerr / James Duerr
Randy Mitchell / Holly Gieb
Class C

Doubles

Class A

Heather Kriesel / Megan Franken Mike Ezell / Al Totten Luis Frausto / Ray Varney

Singles

Class A	<u>Class C</u>	
Ron Button	Greg Smith	
Ray Groskinsky	Rich Brown	
Dean Groshek	Veronica Groshek	
Class B	Class D	
Mona Lane	Allison Birr	
Jason Villwock	Luis Frausto	
Bev Hans	Sam Woolsey	

Rendezvous Pictures:

Top Row: Singles - Class A / Class B

Middle Row: Singles - Class C / Class D

Bottom Row: Doubles - Class A / Class B / Class C





