

## 1998 WORLD CHAMPIONS

Open Men:	ALAN FRANCIS, OH
Open Women	BECKY KEMPER, KY
Boys	BRANSON MILLER, VA
Girls	MICHELLE JARRETT, OK
Senior Ladies	TEDDY GUILLOTTE, CA
Senior Men	JOHN BROWN, OH
Elder Men	ROBERT LOGAN, IN



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Men's 1998 World Champion



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## NEBRASKA PITCHERS -HOW THEY FARED

NAME	HOME	CLASS	W/L	Pct.	Pos
Robt C Anderson	Waunakee	E-1	6/9	33.5	12th
Ron Brockway	Onalaska	C-1	6-9	40.3	11th
<b>Russ Burns</b>	<b>Janesville</b>	<b>K-1</b>	<b>13/2</b>	<b>33.3</b>	<b>1st</b>
Bernard Carley	Richland Ctr	C-2	8.5/6.5	40.0	8th
Barrent Dahl	Trempealeau	Jr B	10.5/4.5	57.8	4th
Dustin Dahl	Trempealeau	Jr A	5/10	61.5	14th
Chris Dahl	Trempealeau	C-2	7/8	36.3	8th
Ken Davison	Meno Falls	J-1	4/11	21.5	15th
Fred Decorah	Baraboo	G-1	4/11	33.0	14th
Teresa Donar	Cuba City	W-E	8.5/6.5	41.0	7th
George Eckstrom	Gilman	G-2	8.5/6.5	33.8	7th
<b>Clayton Gage</b>	<b>Milltown</b>	<b>Eld A</b>	<b>12.5/2.5</b>	<b>76.3</b>	<b>1st</b>
Clayton Gage	Championship	Class	4/3	71.0	2nd
James Ganther	Eau Claire	L-1	10/5	32.0	3rd
Carl Gilbertson	Highland	Eld D	6.5/6.5	34.1	8th
<b>Evelyn Goshaw</b>	<b>Eau Claire</b>	<b>W-E</b>	<b>12/3</b>	<b>41.3</b>	<b>1st</b>
Bill Hagen	Salem	E-1	10/5	41.3	4th
Richard Hansen	Franksville	C-2	7/8	36.2	9th
Randy Hansen	Altoona	I-1	7/8	26.2	10th
Jim Haupt	Milwaukee	Sr D	11/3	35.5	2nd
Ken Heinritz	Meno Falls	C-2	8/7	43.3	9th
Ken Jaeger	New London	D-2	10/5	43.7	3rd
George Kuffer	Milton	Eld G	5.5/9.5	13.5	4th
Harold Laws	Beloit	J-1	7/8	29.5	11th
Ray Mallo	Gilman	K-1	8/7	25.3	9th
Ralph Maylahn	Genesee Dpt	Eld A	5/8	64.0	13th
Edie McKinney	Luck	W-A	4.5/10.5	63.7	11th
Bruce McLinn	Clinton	H-2	10/5	36.0	5th
LeRoy Meyer	Appleton	Eld-G	7/8	14.5	12th
Harry Nelson	Kenosha	C-2	10.5/4.5	45.8	3rd
Earl Paulson	Beloit	Sr-C	3-12	25.8	14th
Randy Rein	Mosinee	A-1	6/9	64.2	12th
Randy Rein	Championship	Class	9/6	71.0	6th
Eugene Satterstrom	Madison	Sr-G	8.5/6.5	20.2	8th
David Schorbahn	Independence	C-1	4.5/10.5	46.3	13th
Jane Smith	Balsam Lake	W-B	4/11	54.3	15th
Gloria Smith	Milltown	W-E	5.5/9.5	36.0	12th
Mer Sorensen	DePere	Eld B	8.5/6.5	59.2	6th
Wally Srenaski	Green Bay	Sr-F	3/14	9.3	17th
Cyrena Srenaski	Green Bay	W-D	4/11	44.0	13th
Tom Steinke	Waukesha	L-2	7/8	25.7	10th
Penny Steinke	Waukesha	W-C	7/8	54.3	11th
Lorraine Sternberg	Richfield	W-A	1/14	52.7	16th
Rowen Swick	Beloit	K-2	9/6	28.8	5th
Julian Tijerina	Madison	E-2	7/8	38.0	10th
Cliff Troullier	Manitowoc	Sr-C	10/5	41.3	4th
Elaine Troullier	Manitowoc	W-C	3/12	47.2	15th
<b>Gert Wilcziek</b>	<b>Whitehall</b>	<b>W-B</b>	<b>13.5/2.5</b>	<b>70.8</b>	<b>1st</b>
Ron Wilcziek	Whitehall	Sr-D	2.5/10.5	25.4	12th
LeRoy Wipperfurth	Waunakee	F-1	9/6	41.7	5th
Joe Zoromskis	Kenosha	N-2	4/11	22.2	14th

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## COMING EVENTS

**AUG 29-30 NHPF BENEFIT**; Fieldhouse, Caledonia \$20  
Dick Hansen 3085 S 76th St Franksville, WI 53126  
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**SEPT 5-6-7 STATE TOURNAMENT**; Eau Claire \$20  
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**SEPT 11-12-13 V.F.W. Doubles**; Comb Locks \$25/team  
Don Navarrete 534 Woodlawn Ct Combined Locks, WI 54113  
414-788-1633 or 788-4379 **unsanctioned** D/L 8-27

**SEPT 12-13 WET 'N WILD**; Centuria \$10  
Jane Smith 1481 180 Av Balsam Lake. WI 54810  
715-485-3057 **28-98-030** D/L 8-30

**SEPT 12-13 KENOSHA OPEN** \$15  
Glenn Bogenschneider 3109 89th St Kenosha, WI 53142  
414-694-6922 **Limit 1st 32 entries** **28-98-031** D/L 9-5

**SEPT 19 BELOIT DOUBLES** \$10/TEAM  
Earl Paulson 7105 So Co Hy H Beloit, WI 53511  
608-879-2304 **limit 110%** **unsanctioned** D/L 9-10

**SEPT 19 F.D.L. OPEN** #28-98-032 \$14—at cts \$16

**SEPT 20 SKIN'S DOUBLES** **unsanc** \$16/team-\$20 at cts  
Jeff Secord N6337 Gardenia La., Fond du Lac, WI 54935  
920-922-9698 D/L 9-6

## PREVIEW OF THE WHPA INDOOR SCHEDULE

**OCT 10-11 ARENA FALL SINGLES**; Arena \$15  
Mark Mauthe 865 Eastman St Platteville, WI 53818  
608-348-9697 #28-98-037 **Self-Scorekeeping**  
**No clipboards, simply the magnet for points method.** D/L 9-25

**OCT 17 WHPA FALL MEETING** 1:00 PM **Arena Sandbar**

**OCT 17 UNSANCTIONED DOUBLES**; ARENA \$20/team  
John Crook 6225 Hy Co TZ Spring Green, WI 53588  
608-588-7392 **110%Limit, 16 teams; A** **Only cash entry prevails**

**NOV 7 SONNY'S SINGLES**; Arena \$15  
Sonny Cockroft 405 Wall St Mazomanie, WI 53560  
608-795-2573 #28-98-038 D/L 10-24

**DEC 13 SANTA'S SINGLES**; Arena \$15 in adv \$17 at cts  
Ron Berg 5375 Blue Ridge, Barneveld, WI 53507  
608-924-5574 #28-98-039 D/L 11-29

**JAN 9-10 001 SINGLES**; Arena \$15 in adv- \$17 at cts  
Jim Haupt 5075 N Elkhart Av Milwaukee, WI 53217  
414-964-2735 #28-99-001 D/L 12-26

**FEB 13 FREEZEROO**; Arena Ron Berg #28-99-002

**MAR 20 WHPA SPRING MEETING**; Arena

**MAR 20 JR SCHOLARSHIP**; Arena Tom Steinke #28-99-003

**MAR 27 RIVER VALLEY RUMBLE**; Arena Berg #28-99-004

**APR 10 ARENA SPRING SINGLES** John Crook #28-99-005

**APR 24 CLUB TEAM** Beloit Jim Haupt #28-99-006

**APR 25 WHPA DOUBLES** Beloit John Secord #28-99-007

**MAY 1 ENCORE** Beloit Earl Paulson #28-99-008

**MAY 14-15-16 TEAM WORLD** Beloit Paulson #28-99-009

**KEY** All dates in **bold** print indicate WHPA approved events.  
NHPA sanctioned tournaments also in **bold** numbers.  
Note: Some WHPA approved events are **unsanctioned**.  
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### IN THE MIDDLE OF AINSWORTH AND IT REALLY IS - NOWHERE

Best thing Ainsworth had going was friendly people. Drive by another car, they'd wave - guaranteed - every car. Townspeople took in boarders, gave pitchers a bunk, entertained them as well.

Rowen Zwick of Beloit caught a stringer of fish the Sunday of the Convention mostly because his Ainsworth landlord suddenly became fishing guide for his horseshoe playing guests. People who opened their houses to the horseshoe crowd became interested spectators. Some came to see their temporary tenants receive awards.

Between class shifts a horde of local volunteers descended on the courts cleaning, sweeping, doing general housekeeping as we have never seen before. Surely they were not all resident horseshoe people. A larger crew turned out in wet weather.

The regulars at Big John's Restaurant were friendly even though the visiting pitchers were taking up most of their space.

Ainsworth was a pleasant town to visit but more than a few left saying, "never again." It's just an educated guess but the outdoor weather variations experienced at the Ainsworth World Tournament all but dictate selection of an indoor site for years to come.

The World at Ainsworth started out hot, 100 degrees or over. The word was, "people are dropping like flies." The next day was considered cool at 70 degrees. One morning the low stood at 53 degrees. Twice midweek rains delayed classes by as much as six hours. And there were times when the weather was perfect and it was great to be in the outdoors.

Having recently experienced the indoor accommodations of former World sites like Kitchener, ONT, Perry, GA, and Gillette, WY, this year's contestants were less than thrilled.

The Ainsworth East City Park, located just a block off the main street, is a couple of ball diamonds, a few tennis courts, a swimming pool, horseshoe courts, and related buildings. Camping, it seemed, was an afterthought, by necessity- except for self sustaining units there were no designated campsites, just a few showers in the pool building and only one in another cubicle of a building. Restrooms were few and hard to reach from the courts - not near close enough for the horseshoe crowd.

Pitchers used 40 courts. Twenty-four were permanent courts with full concrete walkways and grandstands. Most of the championship classes competed on those, the better courts. Two additional sets of eight courts each were built specifically for this tournament. They were ground level courts with partial walk-strips to accommodate all pitching distances and contained the same Minnesota clay as the permanent courts. After this World tournament the 16 add-on courts are destined to be returned to a grassy area. As always, some pitchers complained about the courts - the ups and downs, either imagined or real but on the whole the courts were more than adequate.

The single concession stand, believed to be staffed by a local church group, served quick sandwiches and cool drinks but could have done twice the business had it been located closer to the courts. At least they had the forethought to send out vendors now and then with soft drinks. That's right, all the drinks were soft. Milwaukee's best known product was like the town - Nowhere.

### YOU SHOULD HAVE BEEN THERE

Bud: I was there, were you there?

Lew: I was Nowhere.

Bud: I gather you weren't there.

Lew: Oh yes, I was there.

Bud: Where?

Lew: Nowhere!

Bud: Stop it. Everybody's got to be somewhere.

Lew: Exactly, and I was Nowhere.

Bud: Now hear this! Were you here, or there?

Lew: Where have you been? I'm telling you, I was Nowhere. I'm now here. I would still be Nowhere but I ran out of underwear.



MOOSE AND KAY MEYER



ELAINE TROULLIER



LORRAINE STERNBERG AND MYRNA KISSICK

**MENS DIVISION - CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS**

**1998 WORLD**

	Ent.	W/L	R	sp	pct
1. Alan Francis	OH	78.17	14	1	714 832 85.82
2. Mark J Baumann	MN	74.17	12	3	664 884 75.11
3. Walter Ray Williams	CA	75.00	11	4	787 996 79.02
4. Dale Lipovsky	MN	71.33	11	4	741 978 75.77
5. Tommy Gann	NC	67.00	9	6	613 856 71.61

**WOMENS DIVISION - CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS**

**1998 WORLD**

1. Becky Kemper	KY	85.00	14/1	751	910	82.53
2. Sue Snyder	KY	84.67	13/2	733	888	82.55
3. Amy Francis	OH	74.83	13/2	743	970	76.60
4. Mary Ann Peninger	KS	78.67	11/4	767	970	79.07
5. Bev Nathe	MN	79.67	11/4	707	926	76.35

**WHPA IN CHAMPIONSHIP ROUNDS**

**6. Randy Rein-WI Championship**

OPPONENT	SCORE	R	SP	%
1. Alan Francis	0 / 40	14	30	46.7
2. Mark Bauman	20 / 41	41	62	66.1
3. W.R. Williams	34 / 40	61	80	76.3
4. Rick Cale	40 / 13	31	38	81.6
5. Art Tyson	41 / 37	64	84	76.2
6. Glenn Burris	40 / 13	48	62	77.4
7. Dale Lipovsky	26 / 40	38	60	63.3
8. Mark Seibold	42 / 34	51	72	70.8
9. Jim Walters	42 / 16	36	48	75.0
10. K. Von Kleist	41 / 24	60	74	81.1
11. Stan Leis	40 / 27	33	52	63.5
12. N.A. Moore	44 / 38	56	76	73.7
13. Tommy Gann	26 / 42	32	54	59.3
14. Coke Bowker	44 / 16	36	50	72.0
15. Stan Griggs	17 / 42	39	60	65.0
W- 9 L- 6		640	902	71.0

*Commentary*

*A couple of great games during the men's finals on Sat.; Dale Lipovsky beat Alan Francis and Walter Ray in back to back games. If he could have pitched the whole tournament like that he might now be the World's Champ. Dale's wins over both of the big guy's were definitely instrumental in Mark's 2nd place. When WRW played Alan he had a chance to tie him for first place. When he lost to Francis, he knew his tournament was over. He didn't pitch well the rest of the way and Mark beat him on the last game to clinch second. Randy really pitched well. He just missed 5th place by about 0.5%*

*- Ken Kosky*

**2. Clayton Gage-WI Championship**

OPPONENT	SCORE	R	SP	%
1. Merlin Potts-	27 / 40	36	58	62.1
2. Robert Logan-	22 / 45	41	64	64.1
3. Curly Seibold	31 / 41	48	66	72.7
4. Lou Rector	40 / 27	41	54	75.9
5. Laymon Gullet	40 / 37	48	68	70.6
6. Don Harris-	42 / 7	28	34	82.4
7. Victor Ford-	42 / 35	55	74	74.3
W- 4 L- 3		297	418	71.1

*Gert Wilcziek qualified for the Championship round but didn't participate. They left Thursday morning so Marion Thomsen moved into the Championship class.*

*We really had wet cool and very windy conditions for Friday and Saturday games. Thursday afternoon and evening had absolutely perfect pitching conditions.*

*Jane Smith*

**Alan Francis we know, but who's Becky Kemper?**

She's fresh, recently out of the Juniors, was last year's surprise in the Women's division, she's another top lady pitcher from Kentucky, and the new cutie of the NHPA.

**THE BADGER HAS HIS DAY**

Randy Rein, the best active open men's pitcher in Wisconsin surveyed the World result board with disappointment. Pitching sub-par, he had failed to qualify for the championship rounds. He was making plans to pack up for Mosinee.

Word went out that a Colorado pitcher had some problems back home. Rich Pintor, dropped out: Rein was in.

In 16th position, Rein played Alan Francis in the first game without scoring a single point - 0 to 40. Steadily improving, Rein still not at his potential, hung in for a sixth place finish. He's no doubt wondering just how to get a leg up on those Minnesota Gopher guys, Baumann and Lipovsky..



RANDY REIN



GERT WILCZIEK  
World Champion -  
Women's B

**THE STUFF DREAMS ARE MADE OF**

At Wausau, during the 1997 State Tournament, Gert Wilcziek of the Eau Claire Club was seeded sixth, won just two of seven games, finished seventh with an average of 56.88.

This year, early in the season, she jumped into the sixties bracket at the E C Earlybird (66.1). A month later she won the Eau Claire Open with 76.8! She was on the move to a permanent spot with the "A" women of the WHPA.

Gert entered the World Tournament qualifying for the "B" class. Her record in 15 games included only two losses and a tie. She won a resulting play-off for the "B" trophy with a complete tournament average over 70%. It qualified her for the Championship class seeded tenth with the opportunity to pitch with the best women in the world. Guaranteed prize money (\$250 min.) would be paid to pitch the anticipated 15, 40 point games.

Gert had just come off of three days, 16 games, of high caliber horse-shoes. She had earned the World class "B" title and \$300. She gave up her option to pitch the championship rounds. She didn't feel up to pitching another three days. It was her option.

**Post card from Sanri uka, Japan**

*"Greetings from Japan. I haven't seen (any) horseshoes but plenty of chopsticks. Major cultural shock here!*

*Now on a train to Tokyo. Baseball team doing well - 3 wins, 1 loss. Can't wait to get back to America. Hope you had a good time at the World.*

*See ya, Rick and Heidi*



**RUSS BURNS**

World Champion - Men's K-1

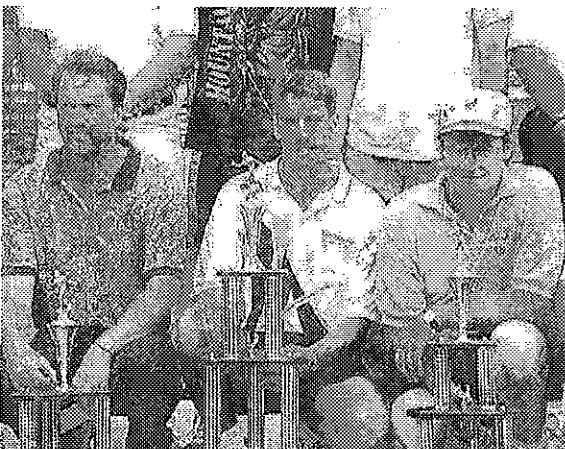


**EVELYN GOSHAW**

World Champion - Women's E

**MORE WORLD PITCHERS - OTHER STATES**

Red Ferguson	IL	H-1	5/10	29.2	13th
Larry Knop	IL	B-1	5/10	58.0	12th
Owen Bloodgood	IL	G-2	7.5/7.5	32.5	11th
Bill Wordel	IL	K-2	9/6	26.2	7th
Earl Simler	IL	P-1	6/9	19.7	13th
Vern Rosenbery	IL	P-2	12.5/3.5	19.1	2nd
Karen Miller	IL	W-F	8/5	36.7	4th
Tiffany Gage	MN	W-C	11/4	63.5	2nd
Lu Cave	MN	W-B	6/9	56.8	11th
Edi Holland	MN	WChp	5/10	66.4	12th
Les Holland	MN	SrF	12/5	24.9	3rd
Lloyd Wolf	MN	Sr C	10/5	38.8	5th
Ward Lutz	MN	J-1	8/7	35.7	7th
Bert Logsdon	MN	E-2	12.5/2.5	48.2	1st
Dick Dvorak	MN	B-2	3/12	40.1	14th
Len Lipovsky	MN	Eld-B	13/2	69.1	2nd
Jerry LaBrosse	MN	C-1	6/9	47.3	11th
Gerald Stangland	MN	Sr-A	11/4	59.3	1st
Gerald Stangland	MN	SrChp	6/5	59.5	8th
John Brown	OH	SRChp	9/3	65.7	1st



**Men's top three – 1998 world Championship**

Walter Ray Williams Jr    Alan Francis    Mark Baumann  
3rd - CA/FL    World Champion – OH    2nd – MN



**Ladies top three – 1998 World Championship**

Sue Snyder    Becky Kemper    Amy Francis  
2nd – KY    World Champion – KY    3rd – OH

**WORLD OF- YEAR 2000 HEADED FOR BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA**

Three very attractive options for the year 2000 World Tournament site were presented to delegates at the NHPA Convention.

Midland, Michigan, in the center of the state, offered an air-conditioned building similar to last year's Kitchner, Ontario location. Camping would be at the fairgrounds just 3 minutes away. It, being closest to Wisconsin seemed a natural choice. The only dates open, however, were the last two weeks in June - not the traditional WT time. It proved to be a major rejection to most pitchers receiving only 36 positive votes.

Gillette, Wyoming was back hoping to repeat their 1996 production. New for this offering would be an indoor practice facility. The clay used at that 1996 WT is being stored underground awaiting the return of the NHPA. 40 votes went to Gillette.

Bismarck, North Dakota at I-94 and 83 offered the amenities of their city, a big shopping mall, 7 golf courses, races, great walleye fishing, good weather, and affordability. They earned 56 votes.

In a second vote to establish a majority, the Midland Michigan bid was not considered. Just two of the outstanding votes went to Gillette. Final count was, Bismarck 90, Gillette 42.

The facility at Bismarck is a hockey arena with the guarantee of a planned addition of another "ice sheet." It was an upgrade of their original offer further established through questioning by Ken Jaeger on the convention floor.

A 24 court covered horseshoe layout located ten minutes away known as the Wildwoods Horseshoe Complex would be available as a practice facility

Dates for the Bismarck-Mandan World Tournament will be July 31-August 13, 2000; two weeks later than usual - an important fact to remember when scheduling home tournaments..

Located on I-94 in the mid-southern region of North Dakota, Bismarck is about 732 miles from Madison, Wisconsin and serviced by two major air carriers, Northwest and United.

## Northern Wisconsin Championships

## HANGOVERS, HEADACHES, &amp; HORSESHOES

by Steve Stevens

Sunshine and quietness greeted the early Saturday morning pitchers but soon the noise of the modified pullers and carnival rides filled the air. Volleyball, softball, and basketball action joined the clanking of ringers hitting the peg. The search for aspirins and Alka-seltzer soon followed as the late nighters began to arise.

The S&M scoring machines used here increased the prize money.

A five time State Champ amazed the crowd with two 78% , high games

Rain welcomed Sunday morning pitchers with an hour and one half delay. Position rounds are pitched here with small class sizes. An 80% game emerged from an "A" class late entry. The talk of engagements and weddings was heard in the stands. When the dark clouds parted a beautiful afternoon was welcomed.

Congratulations to all class winners

## Results:

- A men 1. Randy Rein 72.9; 2. Ray Hill 60.2  
 A ladies 1. Jan Turquist (MN) 54.0; 2. Joyce Poppe 6.0  
 B men 1. Vince Jakel 55.3; 2. Gus Schram 50.0  
 C men 1. Mark Stevens 43.6 2. Ken Kosky 38.0  
 D men 1. Ivan Ruzic 25.0 2. Leroy Meyer 14.4  
 Juniors 1. Wesley Rein 51.6  
 "A" doubles 1. Randy Rein 63.2 & Wesley Rein 54.8  
 2. Rick Poppe 34.3 & Jan Turquist 67.1  
 "B" doubles 1. Geo Eckstrom 39.7 & Ray Mallo 11.6  
 2. Ken Kosky 41.1 & Joyce Poppe 6.0



Edi McKinney  
& Joan Elmore

## SOUTHERN WISCONSIN OPEN

The big rains quit the day the Southern Wisconsin Open got underway. 103 pitchers, lots from Illinois, had two days of near perfect weather, hot but not overbearing.

Earl Paulson remarked that half the pitchers at Beloit this day were from across the border. Maybe the name should be changed to something like the "WIS-ILL Open" or simply "The Whistle." Surely would be no problem creating competition between those two groups, it's inborn, goes with the territory. Come up with a plan, Beloit. Let's put out the challenge.

Larry Fettes, the elder, is thinking about switching to a one and a quarter, says some people have told him that 65% is the plateau for a 3/4 turn. We said, tell it to Alan Francis. 'Course, he does it backwards.

Bart Higdon, another Illinois guy, says, "See you at the State Tournament?" No way Bart. They won't let Wisconsin guys in at Galesburg. Good luck to you Flatlanders though.

Sometimes tournament directors get a little carried away with extemporaneous creativity. To handle a late entry, class B was awarded an extra player making it a nine man class. It was the last class of the day and only forty shoes and also included a game most would have preferred not to play.

At the other end of the courts, A class was switched from 40 shoes to 40 points. It made for some longer contests and over all too long a run.

Scorekeeping was included in the \$18 entry and as usual, at Beloit, all chairs were filled without much hesitation.

## RESULTS

- A L Sternberg 73.1; Ralph Maylahn 71.9; L Fettes Jr 59.6  
 B John Koepp 55.6; Bob Power 50.6; Craig Zuehlke 50.3  
 C Roger Schwebke 48.2; John Carlin 37.5; Guy Modde 52.1  
 D Hi Chaffin 42.3; Bruce McLinn 30.7; Harold Laws 35.2  
 E Diane Linzer 33.6; Eddie Wheeler 29.3; Russ Burns 36.8  
 F Bart Higdon 35.3; Tracy Pankhurst 36.6; Ralph Oliver 35.9  
 G Dutch Rittweger 32.4; Bob Bowser 28.5; R Swick 26.7  
 H Fred Linzer 39.3; Jason Goldsmith 40.0; Carl Schliem 32.5  
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*with Jim Haupt*

**SERENDIPITY**

An itinerant Wisconsin pitcher at the World Tournament found night to night lodgings in a variety of establishments. Having been turned away by several room clerks he met with success at The Antique Bed and Breakfast where he secured the last air -conditioned room and then went about his business.

An acquaintance he later chanced upon said in passing, "Oh yeah, thanks for the air-conditioning." Not understanding the remark in the least, our man returned that night to retire. He found his room had been preempted by a later arrival with a reservation that included air-conditioning. His things had been moved down the hall to a room without air-conditioning but fortunately a cool breeze was coming in the open window.

Sometime in the night the air-conditioner in the former room went awry and burned up. The window unit also effectively blocked the way to fresh air. Meanwhile our man slept in comfort, blissfully unaware.

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The 1998 Arch Stokes Award, made annually, and considered the greatest honor bestowed by the NHPA was presented at the Ainsworth awards banquet to the fifth Vice President of the NHPA, Paul Stewart of North Carolina.

The award is made to the individual who has made continuous outstanding contributions to the national organization over the past few years.

Among other accomplishments, Stewart was lauded for his personal handling of the annual Dogwood Festival Tournament and his extensive work on the NHPA Online website.

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The World Tournament stats throughout this issue were gathered from the following website address. The connection provided day by day results. Unfortunately, World results, the numbers, are best deciphered by those familiar with the game. An accompanying press release would be desirable.

[www.geocities.com/~nhpa](http://www.geocities.com/~nhpa)

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It was interesting to note that the NHPA Hall of Fame did not make a selection this year. It may serve as an example for the WHPA Hall of Fame.

The passing of another year does not necessarily imply a knee-jerk reaction by the selection committee.

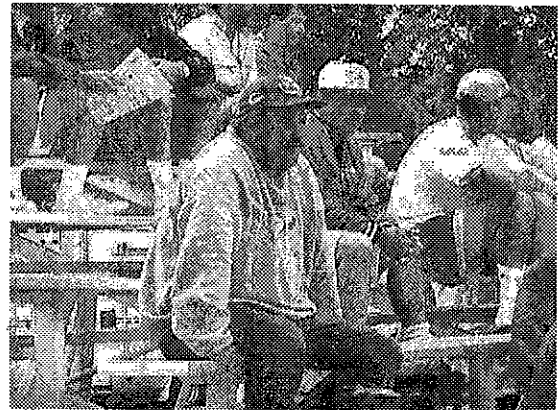
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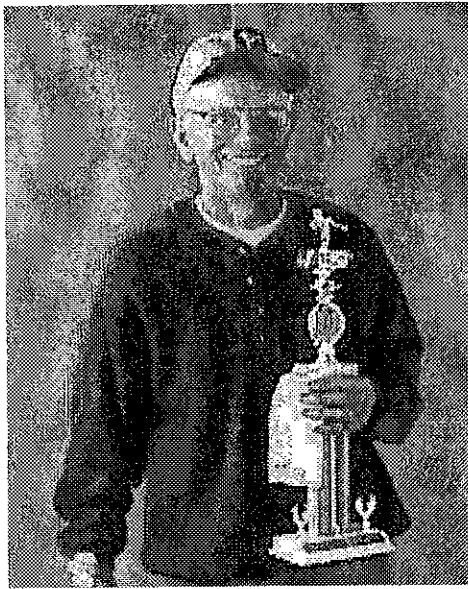
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## WI-MN TOURNAMENT

"WI-MN" -No it's not a tournament for women but it would include them. We were at the Steakhouse in Ainsworth when Dale Lipovsky threw it up for grabs. "We ought to see if we could get a Wisconsin vs. Minnesota tournament going."

Randy Rein was quick to get on the bandwagon.. Heavy pitchers from the Gopher State like Gerald Stangland and Mark Baumann were there and liked the idea. We could switch sites, home and away every year. We've got some good indoor or outdoor courts available, Baumann volunteered. Stangland said his best time would be April when he's not working. Wisconsin has the 8 courts at the Arena Sandbar and the Minnesota guys said they would come there first, but only if the Wisconsin pitchers would reciprocate the following year. Sure, you betcha, and we could have two top classes, 30 foot and 40. You Wisconsin people have some good thirty footers right here, there's Jane (Smith) Edi (McKinney) Ralph (Maylahn) and Gert (Wilcziek) too. Probably could get Clayton (Gage) and Lorraine (Sternberg) to come.

So that's where it is or about as far as it got. Randy Rein is seriously looking for some help in the 40 foot division. He needs some top pitchers to commit to a two year deal and will be looking over the talent in the championship class at the State Tournament in Eau Claire. Who's going to be the push for the 30 footers?

Dale Lipovsky has already followed up his offer through an E-mail note quoted in part as follows: "... pick some date that will not interfere with major tournaments, we will discuss this at our State Tournament... I believe this would be a super event in time, we have to make it very worth while for everyone that participates (and) believes it is a great event, like your Team World event - SUPER.. Thank You and will talk later." -DL

So far this idea for a top flight tournament caters to the top of the order pitchers only, maybe sixty percent and over. Minnesota has their share. Does Wisconsin want to play?



Becky Kemper receiving an NHPA award for a perfect game pitched earlier in 1998. Presented by Walter Ray Williams Jr.



CY SRENASKI



**From an "Old Timer...."**

Many have heard it said, I'm too young to be in the WHPA Hall of Fame,(but) after all, I'm not done yet. That, however, does not diminish the honor of the award.



I just wanted to thank the WHPA officers and the Hall of Fame Committee for placing me in the same category with all the other WHPA Hall of Fame members.

I have been on the presentation side many times over the years. It will be even more difficult for me this year.

Thanks again for this honor; it is a humbling experience.

Dick Hansen,  
NHPA SEC.-TREAS.

**Dick Hansen**

**Letter to the Editor:**

**from Dick Hansen**

After reading the July -August issue of the Newsletter, I just had to send this in.

Just a few short years ago I presented to the Wisconsin Horseshoe Newsletter, the WHPA Presidential award. It is the reason why the words -"An Award Winning Publication" - can be found at the top of the Newsletter.

Since that time (and then I thought it was one of best charter newsletters) it is not only informative but is still getting better.

As NHPA Sec-Treas., I receive dozen's of charter newsletters from around the country and I believe this Newsletter is still one of the best if not THE best.

Keep up the good work and thank you for all you do for organized Horseshoes.

**NHPA CONVENTION**

Three candidates for NHPA office elected without opposition were 2nd VP Casey Sluys, 4th VP Bonnie Seibold, and Sec/Treas Dick Hansen.

President and Newsline editor, Dave Loucks had proposed a new NHPA dues structure, one fee that would include receiving the national magazine for "tournament pitchers" and a lesser fee for "Sanctioned League pitchers." It failed to make the majority by a 57 to 74 vote.

**BORN TO RETIRE**

Bev Born, 3rd VP, with the present duty of monitoring the Sanctioned League Program let it be known this is her last year in office. She offered to begin working with her successor now. It came as an announcement at the conclusion of the delegates meeting. Privately she had expressed the desire to leave her position now.

Prominently mentioned as an interested successor is Lorraine Sternberg of Richfield, WI. She is presently the NHPA Junior Promotion Director and contributes to Newsline in that capacity. It was also rumored that Steve Summerlein, Regional Director of Michigan, may be interested in running for the job.

**NHPA and HORSESHOE CANADA ....**

By a voice vote members of the NHPA convention empowered the executive board to negotiate with Horseshoe Canada in an effort to combine and truly become an international sport organization. With talks beginning now, any results still could be two or three years down the road.

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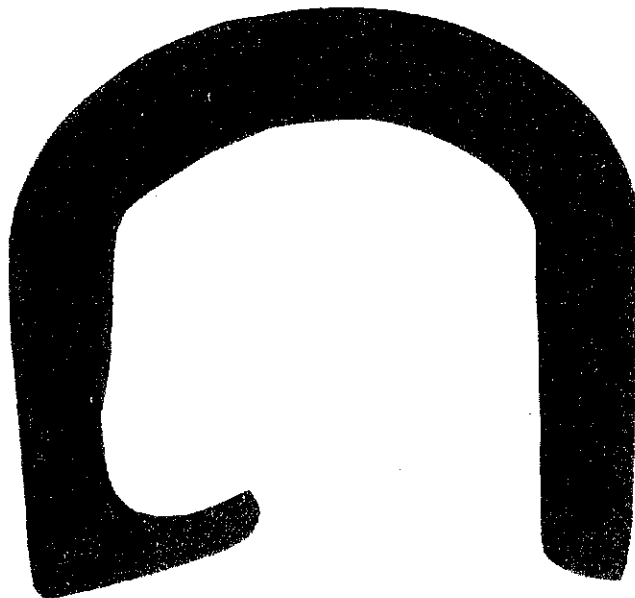
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