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Deansville Open Winners

By, Dobie Gutweiller



Class A: Leo , John, Glenn

Class B: Paula, Cliff, Rick

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Class D: Mitchell, Gene, Sandy, Greg







Congratulations John Meyer

By, Dobie Gutweiller
On Thursday, January 11, 2018, WHPA
Regional Director, John Meyer, pitched
an astounding 75% in his Thursday
Night League at Deansville Horseshoe
Club. Amazing!! Way to go John!!!

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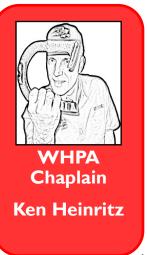
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Horseshoe Pitchers Association

President Dobie Gutweiller

Let me start by hoping that you all had a wonderful holiday season and wishing all of you a wonderful 2018. I am still somewhat stunned to be the newest President of the WHPA and I hope that I am able to do my best to represent you and make you proud, and I hope that I am able to follow in the footsteps of our amazing past presidents. I wanted to take a minute to tell you a little about myself. While I am originally from Brooklyn, New York, I moved to Wisconsin at a young age and consider it home. I have four children, daughters Kari (Chad) and Lindsey and sons James (Lizzy) and Michael. I also have 3

amazing grandsons, Zach, Braden and Clayton. I started pitching shoes in 1983 and have pitched in at least one league every year since. I joined the Deansville Horseshoe club in 2001 and currently serve as the cosecretary/treasurer. In the past I served as Vice-President of the club. I hope that my passion for pitching and love for my horseshoe family, near and far, will give me a strong foundation as I begin my term. I hope to meet as many of you as possible as I get to as many tournaments as I can this year. I am especially looking forward to going to the World Tournament in July and the State Tournament this year. I want to thank those who have been really supportive and have offered their assistance as I begin this undertaking, especially Rudy Van Fleet, John Meyer, Gary Volz, Tom Steinke, Kevin Brekke, Glenn Bogenschneider and Jane Smith. I hope you will all feel comfortable contacting me if there is ever anything that I can assist you with. I can be reached at (608) 513-4625 or dobiecanhelp@gmail.com and will always do my best to help you.



The memories of our good friend & comrade Ron Button will live on. Ron was an unbelievable competitor with an uncanny knack for digging down for a little extra at the end of a tight game, usually pulling it off. As far as the horseshoe pitching world goes, he came out of nowhere, appearing as an elder. After just a few short years in this new sport, his determination to get ringers took him straight to the top, not just once, but Ron won the Wisconsin Elder



Men's State title 3 times (2012, 2013, & 2014). He also played a huge part in Team Wisconsin winning the team world event in 2013. Not only was his pitching A-1, but his positive attitude combined with an

enjoyable sense of humor were top notch, making this man truly a pleasure to be around. Every memory I have of Ron Button are all good ones . . . I will miss you my friend!



"I thank my God upon every remembrance of you."

2018 Schedule

Month/	Tournament	Location	entry	Sanc	tion	Max.Jr/	Deadline	Contact
Date	Title		fee		Nr	Entries/Ca	ad	
01 Jan	New Years Day Rumble	Beloit	non sancti	on				Earl Paulson
13/14 Jan	001 Tourney	Beloit	\$20		28-18-001	84n	Jan 03	Earl Paulson
27/28 Jan	Rumble with Rudy	Deansville	\$20		28-18-002	32n	Jan 13	Rudy Van Fleet
03 Feb	Leds Super Bowl	Beloit	non sancti	on				Earl Paulson
10/11 Feb	Valentines	Beloit	\$20		28-18-003	84n	Feb 01	Earl Paulson
17/18 Feb	Deansville Memorial	Deansville	\$20		28-18-004	32n	Feb 10	Rudy Van Fleet
24 Feb	Deansville/Beloit Chl	Beloit			28-18-045 xxx	xxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxxx
03 Mar	Bring a Junior Dbls	Beloit	\$10		28-18-005		Feb 25	Earl Paulson
10/11 Mar	Klash with Kerry	Deansville	\$20		28-18-006	32n	Mar 03	Rudy Van Fleet
10/11 Mar	Bring A Paul Dbls	Beloit	\$10		non sanction		Mar 01	Earl Paulson
31Mar/01Apr	Red Ferguson Classic	Beloit	\$20		28-18-007	78n	Mar 21	Earl Paulson
14 Apr	Spring Meeting,	Lake Delton Sports	mans Club					
21/22 Apr	April Showers	Chetek	\$10		28-18-008	24n	Apr I4	Les Karpiel
05 May	Jim Haupt Memorial	Beloit	\$84		28-18-009		Apr 27	Dave Volz
06 May	Walking Doubles	Beloit	\$40		28-18-010		Apr 27	John Secord
12 May	Beloit Encore	Beloit	\$20		28-18-011	48n	May 01	Earl Paulson
12 May	Eau Claire Earlybird	Eau Claire	\$10		28-18-038	64y	May 05	Dean Chaffee
18-20 May	Team World	Beloit	\$200		28-18-012		May 05	Earl Paulson
19 May	Butternut Open	Butternut	\$15		28-18-013	28y	May 12	Dennis Wegner
26 May	Platteville Spring Singles	Platteville	\$16		28-18-039	48y	May 16	Norm Mauthe
02 Jun	Wolf River Open	New London	\$16		28-18-014	48y	May 19	Ken Jaeger
03 Jun	Eau Claire Open	Eau Claire	\$20		28-18-040	64y	May 27	Dean Chaffee
09/10 Jun	Eagle River Open	Eagle River	\$18		28-18-015	32y	Jun 02	Cliff Erickson
09/10Jun	Spring Fling	Beloit	\$20		28-18-016	48n	Jun 01	Earl Paulson
09 Jun	Memorial dbls	Wonewoc	\$20		non sanction		May 30	Dave Volz
I4 Jun	Phil Wahl Open	Holman	\$20		28-18-017	24	Jun 14	Wayne Lemar
I 6 Jun	Muskego Open	Muskego	\$15		28-18-018	48y	Jun 10	Tom Steinke
23/24	Ken Kosky	Mosinee	\$20		28-18-043	40y	Jun 17	Kent Frailing
30 Jun	Riverfront Rendezuous	Stevens Point	\$10		non-sanction	24	Jun 23	Fred Lane
01 Jul	RF Rendezuous Doubles	Stevens Point	\$20		non-sanction	24	Jun 23	Fred Lane
04 Jul	Patriot	Edgerton	\$20		non sanction		Jun 01	Kevin Brekke
07/08 Jul	Ken Lovaas Memorial	Beloit	\$20		28-18-020	48n	Jun 27	Earl Paulson
07/08 Jul	Kickapoo Valley Open	Gays Mill	\$20		28-18-048	64n	Jul 01	Russ Brockway
09-21Jul	World Horseshoe To	urnament, Florence	South Caro	olina				
I 4 Jul	Arkdale Open	Arkdale	\$18		28-18-021	32y	Jul 07	Ray Groskinsky
21/22 Jul	Stevens Point Open	Stevens Point	\$20		28-18-019	48y	Jun 09	Fred Lane
28 Jul	Pioneer Days	Butternut	\$15		28-18-022	28y	Jul 21	Dennis Wegner
04/05 Aug	Mosinee Open	Mosinee	\$20		28-18-044	40y	Jul 27	Trent Bratland
II Aug	Loxs Classic	Combined Locks	\$18		28-18-023	48n	Aug 03	Rosemary Kamps
14 Aug	Carson Park Classic	Eau Claire	\$20		28-18-041	32y	Aug 07	Dean Chaffee
18 Aug	Winnebagoland Open	Fond du Lac\$	20		28-18-024	40y	Aug 10	John Meyer
18/19 Aug	Warm-up	Beloit	\$20		28-18-025	48n	Aug 08	Earl Paulson
01-03 Sep	State Tournament	Mosinee	\$25		28-18-026		Jul 31	John Secord
	State Championship				28-18-027			

08/09 Sep	Wet N Wild	Balsam Lake	\$15	28-18-028	72y	Sep 01	Jane Smith	
15 Sept	Arkdale Doubles	Arkdale	\$22	28-18-029	16 teams	Sept 08	Duane Henrikson	
15 Sept	Don Goldsmith Dbls	Beloit	\$20	non sanction		Sep 05	Earl Paulson	
06/07 Oct	Fall Singles	Beloit	\$20	28-18-030	84n	Oct 10	Earl Paulson	
20 Oct	State Fall Meeting							
27/28 Oct	Deansville Singles	Deansville	\$20	28-18-031	32n	Oct 20	Rudy Van Fleet	
03/04 Nov	Autumn Harvest	Beloit	\$20	28-18-032	84n	Oct 23	Earl Paulson	
10/11 Nov	Doubles at the Barrel	Deansville	\$20	28-18-033	32teams	Nov 03	Rudy Van Fleet	
01/02 Dec	Deanvsille Open	Deansville	\$20	28-18-034	32n	Nov 30	Rudy Van Fleet	
08/09Dec	Snowflake	Beloit	\$20	28-18-035	84n	Nov 28	Earl Paulson	
TBD Arkdale Lo	eague Tourny	28-18-036 xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx						
TBD CDC Sand	ction League	28-18-037xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx						

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Beloi	les	_		_							
		my Paul		Deansville Open							
Class A	,	,		By, Dobie Gut		-					
Leo Richter	5	0	57.6	The Deansville (Open w	⁄as held	on Dec 9/10,				
Penny Steinke	4	I	61.2	2018. We had a gre	2018. We had a great turnout of wonderful pe						
Linda Roeber	3	2	43.6	ple and has so much	ple and has so much fun! Thank you to everyo						
Class B				who competed and	who competed and made it such a great week-						
Roger Doering	4	1	36.8	end.							
Robbert Schaver	3.5	1.5	44.4	Class A							
Rich Lodor	3.5	1.5	42	John Meyer	4.5	.5	6 4				
Class C				G Bogenschneider	4	I	57.5				
Roger Kitner	4	1	37.2	Leo Richter	3.5	1.5	59				
Dobie Gutweiller	4	I	32. 4	Class B							
Linda Hycar	4	1	31.6	Cliff Shave	4	I	42.5				
Class D'				Rick Weller	4	I	39.5				
Rowen Swick	5	0	25.2	P Schwerdtfeger	4	I	38				
Dave Quaid	3	2	32. 4	Class C							
Georgia Beebe	3	2	20.8	George Dorn	4	I	32.5				
Class E				Kerry Morris	4	I	31.5				
Scott Linhart	4	I	24.4	Tom Steinke	3.5	1.5	25				
Tony Scrima	3	2	32. 4	Class D							
Mary Thompson	3	2	25.2	Sandy Anderson	5.5	1.5	14.64				
Class F				Gene Friede	5	2	20.71				
Ed Dolan	5	- 1	20.42	Greg Bergles	5	2	18.21				
Mike Loftus	5	- 1	20.42								
Carly Nyman	3.5	2.5	20.42			Dalait L	anyost continued				
				Class F		реюн п	arvest continued				
Beloit Au	ıtum	n Hai	vest	Scott Winefka	5	0	20.8				
By, Earl	/ Jimm	y Paulse	on	Rick Swan	4	I	24.8				
Class A				Ed Dolan	3	2	22.4				
Penny Steinke	6	0	72.5	Class G	3	_	22, 1				
Leo Richter	4	2	58.33	Georgia Beebe	4	I	23.4				
Leonard Razim	4	2	57.92	Richard Conrad	3.5	1.5	18.4				
Class B		_		Russ Burns	3.3	2	14.8				
LaVerne Schroeder	4	!	40	Russ Burns	3	_	1 1.0				
Jim Huckabee	4	I	39.6	WHNL	Ren	ewal F	orm				
Roger Doering	3	2	37.6	\$15 Black	/ White	e copy i	oer year				
Class C	_			Mail the			,				
Guy Modde	5	0	39.2		WHI	•					
Ron Hook	3	2	30.8	14	481 I8	0 Ave.					
Leo Linhart	2.5	2.5	39.2			e, 5481	0				
Class D	_					•					
Linda Hycar	5	0	40	Name							
Joel Ramsdell	3	2	23.2	Address							
Rowen Swick	3	2	19.6	Phone							
Class E	_	_	4.0								
Tim Fisher	5	0	40	Email							
Mary Thompson	4	I	26.4	The WHML is als	so avail	able at r	no cost on				
Terry Sternberg	3	2	20.8	our Web Page: h							

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Year End Average Report

Top 20 Averages in Wisconsin

I)	Jim Bilderback	70.2	8)	Ken Heinritz	64.2	15) Bernard Carley	55.83
2)	Ron Button	69.79	9)	Leo Richter	60.62	16) Pam Aiken	54.59
3)	Penny Steinke	68.25	10)	Lonny Trangsrud	59.11	17) John Udelhofen	54.55
4)	Gunnar David	67.53	H)	Martin Papesh	59.06	18) Dick Perkins	53.68
5)	Aleena Lepak	67.26	12)	Glenn Bogenschne	eider56.59	19) Dave Ninnemann	51.73
6)	John Meyer	66.13	13)	Dean Chaffee	56.19	20) Dan Bloom	51.6
7)	Larry Grabowski	64.89	14)	Bruce McLinn	55.84		

Pitchers Who Played the Most Tournaments

Bruce McLinn	21	Russ Brockway	15	Mary Thompson	П
Ray Groskinsky	21	Kerry Morris	15	Lonny Trangsrud	П
James Wicklander	21	David Volz	15	Rich Brockway	П
Leo Richter	20	Rowen Swick	15	Mark Rice	П
Dobie Gutweiler	20	Greg Bergles	15	Joel Ramsdell	П
Dan Newkirk	20	Linda Roeber	14	Scott Linhart	П
Bernard Carley	18	Jane Smith	14	Glenn Bogenschne	eider I 0
Jim Bilderback	17	Ken Heinritz	14	Galen Kozel	10
Cindy Castellano	17	Al Huizenga	14	Dave Schorbahn	10
Cliff Shave	17	Rick Weller	14	Roger Anderson	10
Ray Cayer	17	Dave Quaid	14	Sarah Chaffee	10
Fred Lane	17	Russ Burns`	13	Paula Schwerdtfeg	er 10
Toni Sloper	16	Jim Alf	13	Rondi Mengelt	10
Tammy Newkirk	16	Leo Linhart	12	Randy Mitchell	10
Mona Lane	16	Jason Villwock	12	Paul Henning	10
Brian Schoonover	16	Ed Wheeler	12	Greg Smith	10
Richard Conrad	16	Ron Button	H	Brian Hartman	10
John Meyer	15	Al Holloway	H	Jestin Delap Sr	10
Tom Steinke	15	Rudy Van Fleet	П	Kevin Aarstad	10

Junior Boys			Junior		,	Cadets		
(age 18 and	under		(age 18 and	a unae	er)	(age 12 and under)		
Gunnar David	67.53	8	Brooke Lazaris	26.54	I	Sarah Chaffee	59.11	10
Blake Lazaris	34.81	2	Cailyn Trangsrud	26.42	3	Brandon Benzing	25	4
Isaac Wegner	26.93	2	Cassi Williams	21.09	2	Blake Benzing	20.74	4
Steven Lazaris	25	2	Lauren Cook	11.17	3	Jedidiah Sowatzke	17.68	6
Gabe Burgin	19.68	6	Becca Bisch	1.69	- 1	Krystal Lazaris	14.02	I
Nicholas Prasalowicz	18.8	I				Carter Poppe	11.66	2
Cole Trangsrud	12.53	4				Mason Chambers	10.11	5
Kane Kuester	11.6	I				Lillyan Kildahl	9.27	4
Tyler Ramsdell	6.11	I				Bradley Benzing	7.22	4
Easton Hans	5.23	I				Jarimiah Delap	6.71	4
Jestin Delap Jr	2.22	2				Braedyn Gessert	6.20	2
Paulie Frank		ı				Aidan Ramsdell	4.44	I
						Conner Kildahl	3.68	3
						Hunter Mccrossen	3.15	3

2017 Year End Averages—Men (Name, Avg, #Tournaments)

Ken Heinritz	64.2	14	Ralph Marthaler	31.88	9	Jason Goldsmith	19.5	I
Lonny Trangsrud	59.11	Ш	Jason Villwock	31.6	12	Richard Conrad	19.48	16
Dean Chaffee	56.19	9	Marvin Mengel	31.23	6	Ed Wheeler	19.35	12
John Udelhofen	54.55	3	Rowen Swick	31.23	15	Kelly Thayer	19.23	2
Nick Muller	51.32	9	Gary Volz	30.8	7	Jim Alf	19.21	13
Mike Cone	49.33	6	Eddie Wisniewski	30.11	8	Dan Sheehan	19.13	4
Ray Groskinsky	49.01	21	Layne Olson	30	2	Kurt Jochimsen	18.69	2
Mark Mauthe	48.41	9	, Dan Newkirk	29.87	20	Jestin Delap Sr	18.55	10
Cliff Erickson	46.75	7	Ricki Williams	29.85	6	Kent Frailing	18.33	7
Steve Miller	46	1	Ray Cayer	29.37	17	Craig Hans	17.3	7
Josh Smith	45.35	1	John Stoller	29.33	I	Mitchell Uttech	17.16	2
Rich Brockway	45.17	П	Sean Anderson	28.26	2	Dave Carpenter	17.11	4
Mike Cone	44.64	1	Randy White	28.13	2	Brian Herbst	16.95	6
Jeff Mauthe	44.19	7	John Drexler	28.09	5	Tom Jacobson	16.75	ı
Dennis Bach	44.12	7	Joel Ramsdell	28.07	11	Brian Murphy	16.75	ı
Jarrod Bisch	44.07	9	Tom Endler	27.97	5	Trent Bratland	16.11	4
Dean Groshek	43.86	6	Paul Henning	27.4	10	Kenny Rentz	14.64	5
Jim Verstoppen	43.29	4	Ed Smith	27.14	I	Kevin Aarstad	14.38	10
Todd Sheehan	41.72	7	Lance Gerner	27	I	Ron Kroner	14.16	ı
Duane Henriksen	40.6	6	George Moraza	26.93	4	David Palmershiem	11.87	9
Cliff Shave	40.38	17	Terry Sternberg	26.61	5	Nick Linhart	11.6	2
Les Karpiel	40.27	5	Ed Leverty	26.6	2	Jim Harder	11.07	3
Ron Brownell	40.25	Ī	Tim Sheehan	25.83	3	Mike Berdan	10.74	Ī
Bob Kallstrom	39.87	4	Ken Jaeger Sr	25.82	6	Jack Zane Jr	10.45	3
Al Huizenga	39.73	14	Rob Tilton	25.38	6	Wayne Gilson	10.41	Ĭ
Jerry Oleskow	39.6	1	Fred Lane	25.24	17	Mike Sheehan	10.22	5
Rick Weller	39.21	14	Greg Smith	25.17	10	Sam Woolsey	9.43	8
leff Gustafson	38.97	8	Scott Linhart	25.12	11	Mark Keihl	8.75	ı
Mark Anderson	38.51	5	Russ Heinritz	25	I	Tom McTavish	8.75	ı
Jay Jochimsen	38. 4	I	Steve Deegan	24.86	2	Eugene Stevens	8.75	ı
Randy Barnes	37.6	1	Matt Ramsdell	24.24	2	Dave Skrobis	8.61	2
Gary Wegner	37.6	1	Rich Reever	24.08	2	Tom White	8.5	ı
Rich Bonner	37.2	i	Tom Fischer	24	Ī	Matt Podschweit	8	İ
Dustin Duerr	37.12	8	Mike Stabenaw	24	i	Doug Schroeder	8	i
Joe McCrossen	36.49	5	Jim Heim	23.75	2	Larry Danielson	6.73	2
Russ Brockway	36.12	15	Mike Perdzock	23.5	Ī	Kevin Brekke	6.5	Ī
James Wicklander	35.91	21	Brian Schoonover		16	Eric Mueller	6.5	İ
Dan Williams	35.63	2	Mike Lange	23.23	7	Bob Bird	6.4	İ
Kerry Morris	35.32	15	Mel Cook	23.21	2	Dean Kallenbach	6.06	2
Jerremy Wegner	34.32	3	Carl Lawver	22.85	Ī	Luke Lundquist	6.06	2
Jim Tollefson	33.95	9	Justin Putnam	22.8	i	Cody Fredrickson	5.84	2
Brad Olsen	33.57	ì	Don Goldsmith	22.75	Ì	Paul Frank	5.75	Ī
Mark Rice	33.51	İI	Greg Bergles	21.75	15	Will Fillback	5.43	5
Evan Schoohs	33.14	8	Craig David	21.33	5	Steve Mengelt	5.39	6
Michael Benzing Jr	33.04	4	Gene Friede	21.21	9	Ryan Knutson	4.76	4
Dave Quaid	32.8	14	Stan Fredrickson	20.82	3	Bob Perdzock	4.5	i
Jeff Pagel	32.72	2	Brian Hartman	20.72	10	Rick Weister	3.75	i
David Volz	32.63	15	Bj Marty	19.74	4	Jim Houghtaling	2.5	i
Kevin Peterson	32.48	4	Matt Lee	19.66	6	Chris Parrish	.	i
Randy Mitchell	32.46	10	Brent Stoeckel	19.59	3		•	•
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2017 Year End Averages—Women (Name, Avg, #Tournaments)

Penny Steinke	68.25	7	Bev Hans	32.13	8	Gloria Smith	20.09	7
Aleena Lepak	67.26	6	Tava Cook	32.0 4	4	Ashley Nelson	15.11	3
Pam Aiken	5 4 .59	4	Tonya Kaulum	31.66	4	Carrie Johnson	13.33	I
Linda Roeber	51.58	14	Sandra Balz	30.95	l	Marsha Deitelhoff	12	I
Toni Sloper	48.75	16	Cola Denucci	29.82	2	Nancy Johnson	12	- 1
Glenda Lawver	48.11	2	Chris Gage	29	I	Tammy Kroner	11.5	2
Jane Smith	45.56	14	Jennifer Wegner	28.16	3	Eva Skrobis	10.76	2
Susie Erickson	45.43	5	Elaine Troullier	28.15	7	Desi Armstrong	10.71	2
Cindy Castellano	45.31	17	Mary Thompson	27	П	Karen Henkel	10	2
Tammy Newkirk	44.75	16	Theresa Vlach	26.61	4	Barb Ramquist	7.29	5
Veronica Groshek	42.5	6	Rondi Mengelt	25.6	10	Jenelle Larsen	5.29	2
Gloria Sheff	40.15	4	Sonia Cook	24.68	2	Johanna Backes	4	- 1
Donna Berquam	39.72	7	Heather Sowatzk	e22.76	8	Julie Paulson	4	I
Paula Schwerdtfeger	38.55	10	Sandy Anderson	22.72	8	Stephaine Peterson	4	- 1
Mona Lane	37.7	16	Allison Birr	22.4	8	Caryn Johnson	3.75	2
Dobie Gutweiler	37.21	20	Lisa White	21.78	I	Ashley Podschweit	3.5	I
Trisha Pennoyer	34.93	7	Jenny Reed	21.25	2	Shawna Maki	2.77	- 1
Tegwin Case	33.2	2	Cecelia Trossen	20. 4 8	7	Jeanne Alling	1.75	I
Kari David	32.59	7	Mary Sue Morris	20.23	3			

2017 Year End Averages—Elders (Name, Avg, #Tournaments)

Jim Bilderback	70.2	17	Jerry Niemuth	40	6	David Tellier	25.8 4	2
Ron Button	69.79	П	Ron Stevens	40	I	Tom Steinke	25.52	15
John Meyer	66.13	15	Norm Beckius	39.77	8	John Dolezel	25.25	5
Larry Grabowski	64.89	9	David Carter	39.04	5	Jerry Kamps	2 4 .53	4
Leo Richter	60.62	20	Leo Linhart	38.37	12	Ron Yttri	23.12	2
Martin Papesh	59.06	9	Craig Cox	38.16	4	Gary Schmitz	21. 4 2	2
Glenn Bogenschneid	er56.59	10	Rudy Van Fleet	37.16	П	John Olson	20.43	3
Bruce McLinn	55.8 4	21	Harold Ballmann	36.8	I	John Secord	20.2	3
Bernard Carley	55.83	18	Roger Anderson	35.38	10	John Brugger	19.85	3
Dick Perkins	53.68	7	Jerry Schroeder	34.52	5	Wayne Franzen	19.65	I
Dave Ninnemann	51.73	9	Ed Bonebright	33.58	6	Ron Ramquist	19.2	I
Dan Bloom	51.6		Robert Starck	33.46	5	John Gregorich	17.6	I
John Brophy	51.17	7	Tony Scrima	33.07	8	Dexter Meise	17	I
Cal Pitel	50.6 4	7	Dick Poff	32.97	3	Ed Mell	16.81	3
Steve Mielke	48.76	6	Julian Tijerina	32.64	4	Russ Burns	16.22	13
Ed Hack	47.28	8	Rick Borgwardt	32.5	I	John Resch	13.4	5
Galen Kozel	46.64	10	George Dorn	32.5	I	Paul Lange	11.66	I
Steve Wiegert	44.92	6	Gerald Weikert	31.25	I	Scott Shackleton	11.11	3
Al Holloway	44.44	П	Tom Bird	30.72	6	Art Collien	9. 4 8	4
Norb Fuhrman	4 3.12	2	Bill Dahmen	30.68	6	Jerry Kooiker	8.25	I
Norm Gage	43		Allen Johnson	29.75	9	Harvinder Ahuja	7.08	I
Dave Schorbahn	42.5	10	Jack Zane	29.05	4			
Dennis Wegner	41.08	4	Wally Grulkowski	27.97	4			
John Mcneill	40.9	2	Dave Leckwee	27.5	I			
Ken Davison	40.12	5	Gary Bloedorn	25.86	4			

Name: Street Address: Zip Code:_____ City:_ Email:_____ Phone #: If new member, referred by:_____

Circle your Division:

Men-\$35 Women-\$35 Elder Men-\$35 (70+) Jr. Boys-\$5 Med/Exempt-\$35 Cadet Boys-\$5 Cadet Girls-\$5 Ir. Girls-\$5

Reminders: Hall of Fame nominations are due to Jeff Secord Feb 1.

Spring WHPA meeting April 14, Lake Delton Sportsman Club.

Jrs. & Cadets include Birthdate: _

If renewal is after June 30th \$2 is added to the dues. Send to: WHPA W6868 Brown Rd. Fond du Lac. WI 54937 (NOTE: Include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.)

What's New

By, Jane Smith

At this time, we are welcoming 6 new WHPA members. They will receive a complimentary issue of our WHNL. Welcome to Chad Anderson, Ron Kroner, Tammy Kroner, Pauls Lange, Nick Linhart and Mitchell Uttech. Please welcome them when you see them pitching at league or at one of our tournaments.

Prayers and Sympathy

By, Jane Smith

It is time again to send prayers of healing and patience for members of our WHPA. This had been a tough winter for families battling health issues, There can never be too many prayers. Our horseshoe family is very special.

Our sympathy to Julian Tijerino for the loss of his wife of 30 years, Mary. She lost her battle with recent health issues. Our sincere and deep sympathy to Julian, who has been described by friends as a very strong guy. Whenever I see his name, I see his warm, loving smile.



POY Update

By, Jane Smith

With 15 of 44 WHPA events recorded, we again have a close race for the Division POY winners. Pitchers are placed in their Division based on their 2017 Year End Average as printed in this issue. Division A includes averages over 45%; Division B includes averages between 44.9 and 30%; Division C is any average under 30 %. Divison A leaders listed in alphabetical order are: Bun Carley, Mike Cone, Ray Groskinsky, Ken Heinritz, John Meyer, Leo Richter, Penny Steinke. Division B leaders are: Dobie Gutweiller, Kerry Morris, Tammy Newkirk, Dave Quaid, Tony Scrima, Cliff Shave, Rowen Swick, Rick Weller. Division C leaders are: Sandy Anderson, Paul Henning, Fred Lane, Dan Newkirk, Tom Steinke, Mary Thompson.

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Beloit Snowflake									
By, Earl / Jimmy Paulson									
Class A		,		Fi					
Leo Richter	4	I	64	M					
Bruce McLinn	3	2	55.2	<u>C</u> T					
Bun Carley	3	2	47.6						
Class B				E					
Tammy Newkirk	5	I	4 8.08	В					
Rich Loder	5	I 45	5.83	<u>C</u> M					
LaVerne Schroeder	5	I	37.92						
Class C				R					
Dave Qukslvr	6	0	45.42	E					
Dutch Rittweger	5	I	4 2.5	<u>C</u>					
Cliff Shave	3	3	35	R					
Class D				M					
Tim Fisher	4.5	1.5	30.83	R					
Guy Modde	4	2	3 4 .58						
Jim Tollefson	3	3	32.5						
Class E									
Dave Quaid	5	0	33,2						
Rich Bonner	3	2	37.2						
Herman Robisch	3	2 2	9.6						

Class F			
Georgia Beebe	4.5	.5	28
Fred Lane	4.5	.5	25.6
Mike Lange	3	2	22.8
Class G			
Tom Steinke	5	0	20.8
Ed Wheeler	4	I	14.4
Brody Fisher	3	2	20.8
Class H			
Mike Loftus	6	0	18.75
Russ Burns	3	3	10.42
Eugene Stevens	2	4	8.75
Class I			
Roger Kitner	3	2	32.5
Mary Thompson	3	2	28
Rick Swan	3	2	27.5



Beloit Horseshoe Club Makes History in the Beloit Paper

By Erica Pennington / Kevin Brekke / Fred Lane

BELOIT — There's nothing better than hearing a loud clank followed by the thump of a shoe hitting the stake and landing for a ringer.

Members of the Beloit Horseshoe Club are always hoping to pitch a "ringer," but even those who struggle to get a shoe near the pit are welcome.

The club, located at 640 Ravine Drive, is known just as much for its friendly faces as it is for wonderful facilities and champions who call it "home."

"Horseshoes is a very challenging sport and it is 90 percent mental," said Earl Paulson, a longtime member of the club.

The Beloit Horseshoe Club draws in players from all over the Stateline Area and beyond. It hosts practice nights, organized leagues, and the prestigious Team World Tournament, the weekend after Mother's Day in May. The Club averages one "Open" Tournament a month, and uses an indoor facility in bad weather and during the winter months. The 13 outdoor courts are used in the late spring, summer and fall months. This year the Beloit Horseshoe Club hosted the Wisconsin State Horseshoe Tourna-

ment, which is held each Labor Day Weekend. The 2018 tournament will be held in Mosinee. Current club member since 2005, and 2nd Vice President of the Wisconsin Horseshoe Pitchers Association (WHPA), Kevin Brekke of Edgerton, started pitching horseshoes over 44 years ago after being mentored by a state champion.

"I would walk to school and I would see the courts at the bars around town...I met Harold Bestul," Brekke said.

A mentorship and friendship grew over time. Harold (1916-2004) was a 1984 Wisconsin State Horseshoe Hall of Fame inductee, and won the Men's Championship class at the State tournament in Eau Claire in a four-way playoff at the age of 66 in 1983

"He taught me how to watch the really good players and had a lot of wisdom to share," Brekke said.

The willingness to teach others is something special among horseshoe players, said to Fred Lane,

WHPA Publicity Director.

"Everyone (in the horseshoes community) is so friendly and wants to show you how to play," Lane said.

The goal of recreational horseshoes is to score a set amount of points before the opponent (or the other team) does. Each pitcher throws two horseshoes per "inning." One point is awarded if the horseshoe comes within a short distance (usually six inches) of the stake without hitting the backboard of the pit. A "ringer," means the horseshoe encircles the metal stake, and is worth three points.

"The other way (to play) is a shoe limit game, where there is a set number of shoes that each player pitches and whatever the score is at the end is the final score," Lane said. "This is the most common way games are played at the Beloit Horseshoe Club and in the WHPA in general."

Most horseshoes weigh in at between 2 pounds 6 ounces to 2 pounds 10 ounces. There are different strategies that pitchers use to try to get a ringer.

Some throw a "flip" style, while others rely on various grips for a "turn" style. Flip pitchers throw the horseshoe so that it moves end-over-end. Turn pitchers toss the horseshoe almost like a frisbee.

"You just have to toss it the way that works for you," Paulson said of the way he learned to pitch years ago. "The horseshoe has to be open or it won't go on the stake."

Each of the game stakes are located 40 feet from each other. Men from ages 18-70 toss an actual distance of 37 feet.

Children, youth under 17, the disabled, women and men over 70 have the option to pitch from 27 feet instead.

"Anybody can pick up a horseshoe and play," Lane said, noting that he's seen players of all ages and physical abilities at competitions.

It was about four years ago that Lane fell in love with horseshoes. He travels all the way from Stevens Point to pitch at the Beloit Horseshoe Club.

"Beloit has such a nice facility that if it was in my backyard I'd probably live there," he said.

Although Lane's passion for the sport has grown over the past few years, his initial interest came from watching his father play.

Family camping trips never could be 100 percent peaceful thanks to a friendly rivalry between good of dad and the camp's director.

"They'd always duke it out," Lane said with a laugh. "Once I ended up in Stevens Point I found a horseshoe set on Craigslist and bought it."

The whopping \$15 Lane spent for a few horseshoes and a couple stakes proved to be money well spent. He really hasn't stopped pitching since.

Helping others to discover (or rediscover) a love

for the game is really what the Beloit Horseshoe Club is all about.

"We have time on Thursday nights where people can come watch or participate," Brekke said. "It's good to just come out."

In addition to building a wide network of friends, another benefit to horseshoes is that it's inexpensive, he said. Pitchers just need to buy their horseshoes and dedicate some (or a lot) of time to practice, depending on their desired skill level.

And while the Beloit Horseshoe Club is home to the Wisconsin Hall of Fame, there's no pressure to end up there. Most members just want to have fun.

"It doesn't take long for people to realize that this (sport) isn't just about pitching a horseshoe," Brekke said. "It's about being one big family."

Horseshoes has a long history in Beloit. It really kicked off in 1955 when Beloit resident Earl Ramquist won the Wisconsin State Championship in West Allis.

Ramquist, Al Walmsley, Ben Brostuen and others built eight courts at the Vernon Avenue playgrounds in the late 1950s. In 1967 Don Goldsmith and his father built four regulation courts off Shirland Avenue and Fisher Road in South Beloit, and that became the hangout spot every Tuesday and Saturday afternoon until the 1980s. There were no organized leagues at the time.

With a growing number of players came the need for the horseshoe "club" to become more organized. The league was sanctioned by the National Horseshoe Pitcher's Association (NHPA) in 1985. Then came the need for a permanent home on the Wisconsin side of the state line. The area near what was then Ken Nelson's "Hitchin' Post" tavern on Newark Road began to be eyed as a good location.

Beloit Horseshoe Club President Bud Renley began to clear the land and nine regulation-sized courts were created in the spring of 1987. The 1989 Wisconsin State Tournament, originally scheduled to be held in Sturtevant, came to Beloit. The number of courts grew to 13. International Team World play came to Beloit's Telfer Park in 1990 and continues to visit annually.

The present team's Telfer Park schedule includes the Wisconsin State Club Team Tournament (last Saturday in April); Wisconsin State Walking Doubles Tournament (last Sunday in April); Beloit Encore Tournament (first weekend in May); Team World (third weekend in May). Club tournaments include the Beloit Spring Singles, Southern Wisconsin Open, Annual Doubles Tournament, among others.

For more information on the Beloit club, see www.beloithorseshoeclub.com or call 608-365-9901. More on the Wisconsin Horseshoe Pitchers Association is available at www.whpahorseshoes.com.

WHPA Hall of Fame Nomination Form

To be eligible for nomination, a candidate must have been a WHPA member for ten (10) years. There are four (4) major categories:

Player Category

Outstanding State & World tournament performance

State & World tournament titles

Pitching records achieved ie perfect game, repeat performances, etc

Sportsmanship

Organizer / Promoter Category

Local & State promotion

Tournament directorship

Local, State & National offices held

State & National committee involvement

Club & League organization

Player / Organizer Category

Candidates' accomplishments from both above categories.

Honorable Mention Category

Candidates from states other than WI who have had a positive influence in WI horseshoes Candidates from WI who have contributed to the WHPA events

three WHPA members at large. Edie McKinney is the Chairlady with Jeff Secord as her co anchor. Nominations for Hall of Fame are due February 1st. Send the following information to Jeff Second Name of Nominator Address of Nominator _ Phone Number / e mail of Nominator_ Name of Nominee _____ Address of Nominee Phone Number / e mail of Nominee Choose a category Player _____ Organizer / Promoter ____ Player / Promotion ____ Honorable Mention ____ Please attach a typed page of credentials and/or reasons for the nomination. Feel free to enumerate and promote your nominee with statistics and facts of their horseshoe career. Number of years in WHPA Accomplishments: Titles won, offices held, leagues formed, etc. Roles played in the WHPA: tournament director, court organization, Jr. participation, etc. Other:

The WHPA Hall of Fame committee is comprised of the WHPA officers, former WHPA president, and





Hall of Fame Nominees

By, Kevin Brekke / Jane Smith

Currently, we have five WHPA members to be considered for the Wisconsin Hall of Fame: Dave Forseth, LeRoy "Moose" Meyer, Ken Lovaas, Sonia Cook, Gus Scram. Please share any experiences you have had with any of these members to aid the committee selection. Members nominated at this printing are Aleena LePak and Kevin Brekke.

A reminder, February 1st is the deadline to send a Hall of Fame nomination. We have many deserving members that should be recognized. Don't be shy; send in the nomination.

Jim Haupt 001

By, Earl / Jimmy Paulson

Class A			
Dan Lessman	3.5	1.5	53.6
Bruce McLinn	3	2	53.6
Leonard Razim	3	2	49.2
Class B			
Galen Kozel	4	1	53.6
Dave Qukslvr	4	1	51.2
Tammy Newkirk	3	2	43.6
Class C			
Guy Modde	4	1	36.4
Leo Linhart	3	2	36.8
Bobert Bowser	3	2	29.2
Class D			
Jeff Pagel	5	I	36.25
Mona Lane	5	1	35.83
Roger Kitner	4	2	30
Class E			
Rowen Swick	6	0	35.42
Tom Steinke	5	1	27.5
Don Goers	3	3	24.58
Class F			
Tom Bird	5	0	34
Mary Thompson	4	I	24
Rich Bonner	2	3	27.6
Class G			
Fred Lane	5	I	26.25
Brian Schoonover	5	I	24.17
George Moraza	3	3	25

Alzheimer's Poem

Do not ask me to remember
Do not try to make me understand.

Let me rest and know you are with me
Kiss my cheek and hold my hand.
I'm confused beyond your concept.
I am sad and sick and lost.

All I need to know is that you are
with me at all cost.

Do not lose your patience with me.
Do not scold or curse my cry.
I can't help the way I'm acting.

I can't help the way I'm acting.
I can't be different though I try.
Just remember that I need you,
That the best of me is gone.
Please don't fail to stand beside me,

Love me till my life is done.

anon

Our horseshoe family nationwide has many varied health issues. Alzheimer's and Dementia are two devastating diseases we are becoming more and more aware of. As we read this prayer, let's give special thanks for the days when our friends were happy, healthy and pitching many ringers.

Jane Smith

		Jim Haupt 001 continued		
Class H			-	
Georgia Beebe	4	- 1	28.4	
Ed Dolan	4	- 1	22.4	
Scott Wineka	3	2	19.2	
Class I				
Mike Loftus	5	- 1	24.58	
Jim Alf	5	I	20	
Mike Lange	I	5	13.75	
Class J				
Allison Goers	5	I	17.08	
Eugene Stevens	5	I	9.17	
Steve Mengelt	2	4	7.08	