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WI State Doubles



Jim Larson and Randy Rein
State Doubles Champions for 2005

Randy Rein and Jim Larson are the doubles team of the year, again! This is the first time that previous doubles champions have equaled their original feat. This pair did it first in 2003 as a team. Rein himself coupled with Gus Schram to win in 1999.

The shakers and bakers for the event, the WHPA exec. board, decided to add a team to the two top classes making them each seven team round robins necessitating a bye in each class and not just one extra game. Every other class played five rounds. The top classes had to go two more rounds to finish their appointed games.

We had a full house, all 24 courts active, for the State Doubles, a strong vote of confidence for the walking doubles event. Any more entries in the future and the exec board will have to consider two shifts.

Yes there were play-offs. We know you just love play-offs. They are part of the state regulations. Even had a three way affair. Harvey Bilz, formerly of Janesville and now from Phillips

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Club Team 2005



Dave Schorbahn, Gert Wilczek,
Debbie Halvorson, Wayne Totten
Club Team Champions for 2005

The sign at Telfer Park said this was the State Team Tournament which is pretty close but not entirely correct. It's just that we have not had an entry yet from an out of state club. With 36 teams this year, who needs more?

Big winner this year is Eau Claire.

Maybe the flip of the shoe came into play, maybe they played each other straight up but in the final match it was Eau Claire three to one for a one point tournament victory.

The Eau Claire club will add their names to and keep the 'traveling trophy' for the balance of the year.

The old trophy was full so the perennial winners, Close doesn't Count, retired the original plaque, sponsoring a new plaque of it's own. We will store those old names in the hall of fame

Kenosha started its run of firsts in "B" class. The Kenosha Club entered four teams and placed first with three of them. They do play indoors. Perhaps they are closer to the top of their game than some of the rest of us.

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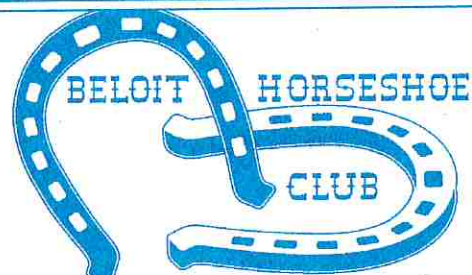


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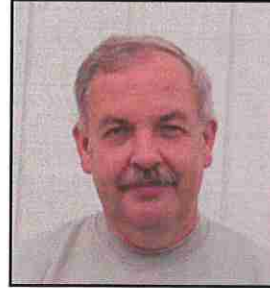
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Coming Events

May 7 Eau Claire Early Bird	\$5
Wayne Totten 2926 Kohlhepp Rd Eau Claire, WI 54703 715-858-9470 28-05-016 D/L 4-23	
May 13-14-15 Team World - Beloit Telfer Arena	
STOP DOWN AND WATCH ONE OF THE BEST TOURNAMENTS OF THE YEAR	
608-879-2304 28-05-013	D/L 4-16
May 21 "The Bustin Loose" @ Arena	\$18
Ed Wheeler W9070 Cty. Hwy. K, Lodi, WI 53555 608-592-4424 28-05-014 D/L 5-1	
May 28-29 Platteville Spring Singles	\$16
Norm Mauthe 865 Eastman St. Platteville, WI 53818 608-348-9697 28-05-019 D/L 5-14-05	
JUN 4 2nd ROCKFORD OPEN, Dahlquist Park	\$15
Glenn Wicklund 405 Rockford Av Rockford, IL 61107-4548 815-397-1132 IL Sanctioned D/L 5/22	
June 4-5 Wolf River Open Limit 64	\$15
Ken Jaeger N3539 Knight Rd New London, WI 54961 920-982-6287 28-05-020 D/L 5-21-05	
June 11-12 Eagle River Open Limit 32	\$15
Arthur Collien 1855 Adams Rd Eagle River, WI 54521 715-479-6136 28-05-021 D/L 5-28-05	
June 12 Eau Claire Open	\$15
Wayne Totten 2926 Kohlhepp Rd Eau Claire, WI 54703 715-858-9470 28-05-022 D/L 5-28	
June 11-12 Beloit Spring Singles	\$15
Earl Paulson 7105 S Cty. Hwy. H, Beloit, WI 53511 608-879-2304 28-05-023 D/L 5-28	
Jun 18 Winnebagoland Team	\$42/team
Jeff Secord 615 Western Av Fond du Lac, WI 54935 920-924-1521 NHPA Sanctioned D/L 5-21	
June 18 Marshfield Open	\$15
Dan David 282 Rangeline Rd. Auburndale, WI 54412 715-384-3612 28-05-024 D/L 6-5	
June 25 Windy Hill 2 @ Wausau	\$15
Ed Hack 3501 Wildwood Lane Wausau, WI 54401 715-842-0150 28-05-025 D/L 6-11	
June 25 Jerry Volz Memorial	\$20/team
Lake Delton (see article on another page) Gary Volz 608-444-8563 or Dave Volz 608-547-2769 4-person teams, unsanctioned, start Noon.	

THIS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS IS PREPARED BY NHPA REGIONAL DIRECTOR KEN JAEGER. ANY ERRORS, OR ADDITIONS, PLEASE CONTACT KEN JAEGER.

KEY: Bold print date indicates WHPA approved event. Note: Some WHPA approved events are unsanctioned.



The President's Column

Spring is here. Time to get outside and join a horseshoe league in your area. There are a lot of leagues around and probably most of them could use an additional player or two. Now is the time to get your neighbor or maybe your relatives pitching horseshoes. The more people you know in horseshoes, the more fun it is.

Check your schedules for spring and summer tournaments. Remember, you need three tournaments between August 1, 2004 and July 31, 2005 to enter the state tournament in Beloit this year. Get your tournaments in as soon as possible so you're not left out later.

Encourage your non-sanctioned friends to join the association. Tell them the facts about pitching a tournament: most tournaments are singles with averages close to their own, not like some who think you have to be at least 50% to be in a tournament; ringers are three points, and within six inches is a point; no, leaners do not count for two points; foul lines can vary depending on the player (20, 30, or 40 feet – 20 feet for pitchers 9 years and younger).

Word of mouth is what gets new members. The time is now. Help out the WHPA. We do have a lot of new members, but we could always use more.

Good pitching,

Tom

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It's official: Gillette, WY is the site for the 2006 World Tournament. Start working on the (4) four sanctioned tournaments you will need to enter next year. Gillette, WY is not that far and it's a great place to pitch.

LAKE DELTON

Here we go again. Ride around Wis Dells looking for horseshoe signs. They were there, white shoes on a blue background. Just had to look in the right places. We finally found the Clubhouse that Volz built. Yes, Grandpa Ernie Volz, in Dave's case and great-grandpa in Gary's instance, donated the land for the Sportsman's club. Had a few kids pitching horseshoes and the whole darn WHPA winds up using the clubhouse for a central meeting spot.

The media weather people with their meteorologists like to make a big deal of oncoming storms. They showed weather maps predicting statewide snow this time and scared off half of our people. Only 26 dare-devil drivers showed up for this meeting. The roads were OK and the meeting got the word out in short order.

As usual John Secord got the ball rolling, told us what we did the last time and that our bank balance had increased to \$5400.

Jane Smith said thanks for the tournament results and that for her purposes she needs names, numbers, and placement for the top three in each class.

Terry Sternberg introduced Earl Paulson as the 2005 state tournament director from Beloit. Paulson is confident the club will be ready for the Labor Day event inviting everyone to see the pitchers of the Team-World coming in May. Scorekeepers are especially welcome and will be rewarded at the rate of \$2/ game.

We are reminded that Eau Claire and the Close Doesn't Count clubs are hosting the State in 2006. This fall at the October meeting the bids for the 2007 State T will be entertained.

Sternberg asked if Ken Kosky would print a new batch of WHPA brochures. Dick Hansen, NHPA Sec-

Treas. remarked that 75% of the cost may be recovered if the NHPA considers it promotional material.

3rd VP Sonia Cook announced that the raffle will go again this year looking for ticket sellers.

Ken Kosky, she says, does not have a place to display the WRW bowling ball he won at last year's raffle. He has re-donated it for this year. Cook called for any and all donations of prizes. She would even accept cash.

Lorraine Sternberg's remarks are contained in her own article on another page.

Dick Hansen announced that the NHPA rules re-write has been done but upon introducing it to the website some opportunities for discussion were noticed. Therefore it will be a topic at the national convention later this year. Allen Baptist has announced that he will not be a candidate for the office of first VP. Others have come forward, Dan Sanders of Ohio, Ron Kohn of Michigan, and Jon Husted of North Dakota.

Gillette, WY a former World site, of 1996, has been selected by the NHPA officers for the 2006 World Tournament site. The front runners for 2007 World site seem to be Decatur, AL and Ardmore, OK

Hansen said that although donations are off since the death of Jack Freeman, the NHPF is going strong. The Joelton facility appears to be not in their future plans. Perhaps it will be sold and the Hall of Fame located in another area. The New Melle club in Missouri was mentioned as a possible site

Midway into the meeting under the heading of new business, Edi McKinney announced a double Hall of Fame selection, Ken Kosky and Ken Jaeger. As it should be everyone is well acquainted with the pair and the news was greeted with acclamation.

Steinke announced that the Hall

of Fame Committee is going to add another member bringing the total to nine. Must be getting some close votes. See Steinke if you feel qualified.

Jane Smith offered to distribute WHPA good will pens to world tournament participants for redistribution as a good will item.

Then Paulette Hansen asked if we were talking about writing pens or pins as in sharp. Jane said she was talking about pens, the writing variety.

The audience soon forgot about pens and pins became the preferred subject. Paulette said she would look into pins. Ed Wheeler suggested allocating \$400 which was approved.

Promoting the state tournament became the final topic. Earl Paulson said his favorite way to promote an event is to publish and mail a flyer. That directed the attention to the state flyer published in the June issue of the Newsletter. Getting the flyer and or Newsletter in everyone's hands became an issue. Should the Newsletter be mailed to all members as part of their WHPA membership? Ken Kosky said perhaps half of the present membership are now receiving the Newsletter and an all-state rate may be less than the normal subscription rate. It has been discussed Kosky went on, saying that there would be a problem with the present list of multi-year subscribers.

The question would be put to the membership on the State flyer/entry form this year.

Pub. Note:

Since the meeting an agreement has been reached between Earl and Ken Kosky, of the Newsletter, to send a flyer to all WI pitchers promoting this years tournament.

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brought Gary Wegner from the North country to wrestle a three-way from Tom Steinke/ Galen Kozel and the Wausau duo, Ed Hack and Ruben Eckardt. Sure it takes a while but that's why they start this thing at 9:30 in the morning.

Don Wozniak and Mark Nord went at it in a play-off with Bret Condon and Earl Paulson. Wozniak and Nord winning that last game in G.

The regular classes finished about 1:00 PM. Three games later the B class was settled. Jeff Gustafson and Tom Endler got to play an extra game against the Heinritz's, Ken and his nephew Nathan. They should have won it outright but the Heinritz family prevailed some-time before the sun went down.

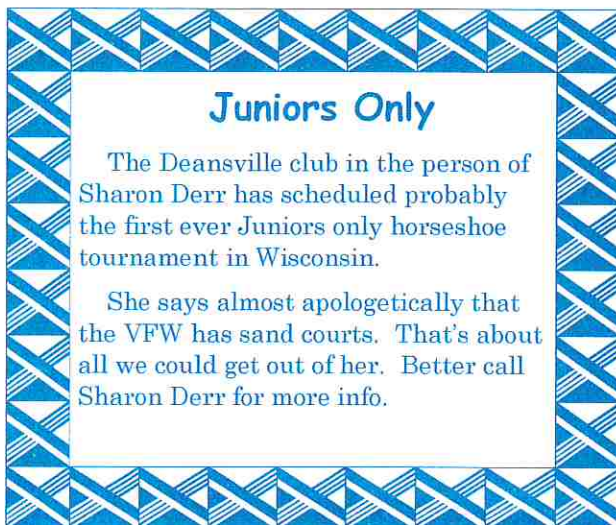
Some might think Heinritz gets some supernatural grace. He does do that chapel service mornings of the doubles. Getting more popular, about thirty this time. Pitcher Ed Hack was going to read a passage but overslept.

This is really the 'get off' weekend for Wisconsin horse-shoes, the time following "ice out" when the frost has left the back roads, time to travel for people of the northern clime who have been feeding the fire all winter.

That situation is probably the real reason that the Club Team coupled with the WHPA doubles is the place to be late April. Snow was forecast but never happened, although some inexperienced pitchers did think it may have been a tad chilly in Telfer.

Yes the doubles is becoming more popular and in spite of the ever present danger of play-offs there remains a real possibility of some classes running second shift. Now if the second shift runs into play-offs, watch out for the state rule.

Se you next year at the State Doubles.



Membership Database

By Dick Hansen

Well it has finally become a reality. We now have the ability to compare the Natstats data-base against the Membership data-base. The 1st week in January 2005 I had Glenn Jamison, Natstats Director, email me the complete Natstats file. Because Natstats goes back 12 months everyone on that list should be a member. I then compared that list with my membership list and came up with 164 errors. Every Charter Secretary was then sent a list of errors found in their Charter. Those errors were incorrect card numbers, same card number for two different people, misspelled or incomplete names and the big one, people that pitched but were not members.

At the time of this writing about half of the Charters have responded and most of the errors have been corrected. But I also have 21 cases, in which we know for sure, that a person pitched in 2004 but never paid for a 2004 membership card. In one case a person pitched in 6 tournaments in 2004 without ever joining the NHPA. He just used his 2003 card number. As of this date 15 members have paid back dues for 2004 and other charters are trying to collect back dues and will not sell those pitchers 2005 cards until 2004 dues are paid.

I will know more when all Charters have reported back but it is plain for me to see already that there is one main problem. If you are a tournament or league director you cannot just go to the NHPA Web Site and look someone up in Natstats, find a name and card number and assume that person is a current member. That person could be a member from last year and his record would still be in Natstats even if it's July when you are looking it up. When we pitch in an NHPA sanctioned event we expect that everyone else in that event has paid their fair share. Lets see if we can do a better job in 2005. Is everyone in your tournament or league a current member?

ED. Thanks , Dick, for policing the list of NHPA numbers. I am afraid that the practice of obtaining numbers from Natstats will continue.

We ask a great deal of tournament directors and should not add to their obligations. So thanks again for your check -up.

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The top seed in "B" class is a most desired position in the Club-Team. It was contested this year by the Combined Locks team. They found that the director made an error in entering a pitchers average, an error of five percentage points. Corrected it would put the Combined Locks team out of 'A' and in "B." The difference was 22/100 of a percentage point. The director asked the Locks team to grin and bear it. They did and suffered a fourth in "A."

It brings to mind the fellow who pitched in three classes. The other Combined Locks team, really the "A" team but pitching in "B" had a pitcher missing. Two guys from Green Bay began to split the substitute business Dick Hanold and Steve Mielke. Then the Combined Locks "B" team pitching in "A" had a drop out. Mielke pitched first in "C" class for his team, then subbed in "B" class and finally finished the day in "A." He's a diehard who pitched not just 250 shoes but 400 for the day. Hanold meanwhile went for 450 shoes. Because of the proximity of the two clubs, many have dual membership.

Ed Mell spent the day giving away games. Due to a shoulder injury he lost his ordinary firepower. He demonstrated why we base our averages on only the top three games.

There were some close calls. We had to compare ringers for several teams in a tie win situation. Both the Sandbaggers and the Deansville team wanted a piece of last place. Beloit F and the Sandbaggers B team each had 10 wins, alas Kewaskum had 15. Goldendale had the short end compared to Marshfield. A tie for first occurred in F class between a Beloit tem and the number two Menomonee Falls team. First went to Menomonee Falls because of the pitching of one person, Nathan Heinritz, the 2003 WHPA junior champion. This time he was over 60%.

An opponent pitcher from "F" class complained that Nate was misrepresented with an entering average of 34%. The man didn't mind losing as much as the misrepresentation. He had fire in his eyes and he was looking directly at your agent, the tournament director. All we could do was to listen and commiserate.

John Secord, in his wisdom, explained that if an outstanding tournament performance happens, it most often happens to a junior pitcher, a pitcher who is most apt to outdo even himself.

Our congratulations to Nathan Heinritz even if we did have to apologize for his good fortune.

It meant just a few bucks but the Skippy B team out-ringed Windy Hill C in F class to take third. And that's how we avoided the dreaded play-off format.

Awards were; \$200 for first, \$100 for second, \$60 for third, and twenty for fourth. All entrants also received a

Team World raffle ticket. It was the only award for 5th and 6th.

We pay rent for the Telfer park arena but not too much, \$175 a day. Another expense is the one dollar of each entry reserved for a contribution to the NHPF.

The Beloit club felt that we needed more trophies in Club Team so they donated a few. It turned out to be a couple too many. They forgot that Dick Muhlenbeck had already donated trophies for B, C, and D. Through Beloit's generosity we now can award trophies for all classes, A through F.

We thank the Beloit club for these trophies and for providing a place to play. The building looked superior especially with the expanse of that Green indoor-outdoor carpeting they brought home from the world.



Kewaskum Class E Champions



Germantown Class F Champions

Class A

Eau Claire champs	Wayne Gerf	Totten Wilcziek	56.80%
14 wins	Debby Halvorson	Dave Schorbahn	54.80%
CloseXCourt 2nd	Edi Sue	McKinney Helene	48.40%
13 wins	Clayton Norm	Gage Gage	59.60%
Beloit A 3rd	Paul Dan	Wilson Bloom	51.60%
11.5 wins	Glenn Jesse	Wicklund Garza	50.40%
Com Lox B 4th	Otis Bill	Wessley Matey	42.00%
7.5 wins	LeRoy Jerry	Meyer Kamps	42.00%
4-Baggers A 5th	Bun John	Carley Crook C	42.00%
7 wins	Ken John	Frame Udelhofen	42.40%
Deansville A 6th	Jim Dale	Larson Bauer	58.40%
7 wins	Jerry Kerry	Weikert Morris C	32.80%
			38.40%

Class C

Kenosha B 1st place	Denny Jane	Hartman Hartman	35.60%
14.5 wins	Lloyd Debbie	Johnson Marshall	46.00%
Beloit D 2nd	Jim Earl	Tollefson Paulson	35.60%
12.5 wins	Dan Norm	Lessman Beckius	34.00%
3-BD Gr Bay 3rd	Joe Kim	Felton Felton	40.80%
11.5 wins	Steve Dick	Mielke Hanold	17.60%
MFLD 4th	Dan Willis	David David	26.75%
7.5 wins	Bob Vince	Gregorich Jakel	21.60%
Golden 5th	Lorraine Terry	Sternberg Sternberg	30.80%
7.5 wins	Wes Mike	Podvin Keagle	41.60%
Adams 6th	Ray Marv	Groskinsky Bennett	13.60%
6.5 wins	Ron Jerry	Balsiger Schroeder	33.60%
			24.80%
			24.40%
			27.60%

Class E

Kewaskum 15 wins	Glen Dan	Bogeschnei Schulzz	41.20%
	Rob Mike	Struebing Struebing	20.80%
5-Wash Park 2nd	John Hank	Leskovar Zeisse	14.40%
13 wins	Jim Milt	Haupt Larsen	44.00%
	Bob Matt	Kabella Austin	6.00%
Beloit F 3rd	Ed Russ	Bonebright Burns	22.80%
9 wins	Greg Ron	Kahl Berg	22.00%
Sandbaggers 4th	Phil Dan	Haas Nalepinski	17.60%
10 wins	Ed Den	Wheeler Capener	16.00%
Reedsville 5th	Gary Gary	Volz Volz	30.00%
9 wins	Dave Millar	Volz Harding	22.80%
Kenosha D 6th	Joe Bill	Zoromskis Zirbel	22.00%
3 wins	Rick Dale	Brower Shamberg	12.40%
			25.60%
			11.20%

Class B

Kenosha A 1st place	Tom Everett	Endler Stewart	50.00%
17 wins	Harry Hi	Nelson C Chaffin	48.40%
			28.00%
			36.00%
Beloit C 2nd	Lavernne Rowen	Roesslein C Swick	38.40%
12.5 wins	Bill Virgil	Wordell Smith	30.40%
Windy Hill A 3rd	Greg John	Hehling Molling	31.20%
10.5 wins	Randy Ivan	Rein C Ruzic	41.20%
Beloit B 4th	Red Jeff	Ferguson Gustafson	29.20%
8.5 wins	Tom Bud	Reid Hammer	46.80%
Com Lox A 5th	Mer Elaine	Sorensen Troullier	60.80%
7 wins	Cliff	Troullier	34.00%
Deansville B 6th	Al Chet	Huizenga Hermansen	34.80%
4.5 wins	Ed Rudy	Mell Van Fleet	38.00%
			20.40%
			36.80%
			34.40%
			42.00%
			18.00%
			37.20%
			32.80%
			6.80%
			21.60%

Class D

Kenosha C 1st	Dave Jan	Wietzak Fisher	28.80%
12wins	Rich Jack	Brower Statema	46.40%
			20.00%
			26.00%
Deansville C 2nd	Kevin Carol	Brekke Rahfaldt	20.80%
11 wins	Ron Vaughn	Lingard Watzke	38.80%
Eagle 3d	Steve Rod	Deegan Johnson	30.40%
10 wins	Rich Augie	Bonner Potter	26.00%
Beloit E 4th	Karen Ken	Keelin Lovaas	37.20%
10 wins	Bruce Carlton	McClinn Rittweger	28.00%
Windy Hill B 5th	Ed Keith	Hack Stanke	33.60%
10wins	Rueben Dan	Eckhardt Meindel	36.40%
Meno Falls A 6th	Ken Russ	Heinritz Heinritz	18.00%
7 wins	Roger Kyle	Heinritz Heinritz	34.40%
			34.80%
			22.00%
			47.60%
			21.60%
			30.40%
			17.60%

Class F

Meno Falls B 1st	Randy Ben	Heinritz Heinritz	22.00%
13 wims	Nathan Roger	Heinritz Sundsmo	32.40%
			60.40%
			10.40%
Beloit G 2nd	Ken Jim	Hopp Huckabae	17.60%
13 wins	Pete Dave	Rockers Wilson	22.40%
Skippy's B 3rd	Greg Ken	Highstrom Schessow	11.20%
10.5 wins	Greg Ryan	Ernst Heidtke	19.60%
Windy Hill C 4th	Jim Ron	Sherman Truman	21.60%
10.5 wins	Jim Mike	Jakel Stanke	22.00%
Skippy's A 5th	Dave Dale	Balsiger Gierach	10.80%
10wins	Jeff Duane	Michels Balsiger	22.40%
Beloit H 6th	Wayne Gerald	Goers Palmer	18.00%
6th	Don Brett	Goers Condon	2.80%
3wins			15.60%
			15.60%
			10.80%
			4.80%



Kenosha Class B Champions



Kenosha Class C Champions



Kenosha Class D Champions

2005 STATE DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

** DENOTES FIRST PLACE PLAY OFF

	W	L			CHAMPIONSHIP			
	1	6	1	53.33	42.77	JIM LARSON	63.88	RANDY REIN
	2	5	2	52.78	41.11	RON WILCZIEK	64.44	GERT WILCZIEK
	3	4.5	2.5	52.22	51.66	DAN BLOOM	52.77	PENNY STEINKE
	4	4.5	2.5	47.50	52.22	PAM AIKEN	42.77	WAYNE TOTTEN
	5	4	3	46.39	40.55	DAVE SCHORBAHN	52.22	DEBORAH HALVORSON
	6	3	4	48.89	52.77	SUZANNE HELENE	45.00	EDIE MCKINNEY
	7	1	6	24.72	31.11	JOHN CROOK	18.33	LORRAINE STERNBERG
						CLASS A		
**	1	7	1	47.86	51.43	NATHAN HEINRITZ	44.29	KEN HEINRITZ
**	2	6	2	45.00	50.00	JEFF GUSTAFSON	40.00	TOM ENDLER
	3	5	2	39.44	36.66	CAL PITEL	42.22	NORB FUHRMAN
	4	5	2	36.95	30.56	LEROY MEYER	43.33	BILL MATEY
	5	3	4	33.61	25.55	NORM BECKIUS	41.66	PAUL WILSON
	6	2	5	26.39	10.00	SONIA COOK	42.77	TAVA COOK
	7	1	6	19.44	17.22	STEVE MIELKE	21.66	MER SORENSEN
						CLASS B		
	1	4.5	0.5	43.66	34.66	LLOYD JOHNSON	52.66	EVERETT STEWARD
	2	3.5	1.5	38.00	31.33	IVAN RUZIC	44.66	JOHN MOLLING
	3	2.5	2.5	27.66	26.66	JASON GOLDSMITH	28.66	DON GOLDSMITH
	4	2	3	33.33	31.33	CLIFF TROULLIER	35.33	ELAINE TROULLIER
	5	2	3	23.33	22.00	JOHN SECORD	24.66	TERRY STERNBERG
	6	0.5	4.5	26.00	27.33	RON BALSIGER	24.66	JERRY SCHROEDER
						CLASS C		
	1	5	0	39.67	45.33	DICK MULENBECK	34.00	JANE HARTMAN
	2	3	2	28.00	25.33	BILL HAGEN	30.66	HARRY NELSON
	3	3	2	22.00	22.00	DAVID HANSEN	22.00	DICK HANSEN
	4	2	3	27.33	24.66	RUSS HEINRITZ	30.00	ROGER HEINRITZ
	5	1	4	24.00	25.33	WILLIS DAVID	22.66	DAN DAVID
	6	1	4	23.00	15.33	MARV BENNETT	30.66	RAY GROSKINSKY
						CLASS D		
**	1	5	1	33.33	30.55	GARY WEGNER	36.11	HARVEY BILZ
**	2	5	2	24.04	23.80	TOM STEINKE	24.28	GALEN KOZEL
**	3	4	2	32.00	15.33	EDWARD HACK	48.66	RUEBEN ECKARDT
	4	1	4	22.00	22.66	RON BERG	21.33	JIM HAUPT
	5	1	4	22.00	25.33	DAVE WIETRZAK	18.66	DEBBIE MARSHAL
	6	1	4	18.33	14.00	STEPHANIE MORRIS	22.66	KERRY MORRIS
						CLASS E		
	1	4	1	30.33	29.33	CARL SCHLIEM	31.33	ROWEN SWICK
	2	3	2	27.67	20.00	SCOTT MUHLENBECK	35.33	DENNIS HARTMAN
	3	3	2	26.66	28.66	AUGIE POTTER	24.66	RICH BROWER
	4	3	2	16.67	5.33	RUSS BURNS	28.00	BRUCE McLINN
	5	1	4	24.00	10.66	DON PEROUTKA	37.33	GLENN BOGENSCHNEIDER
	6	1	4	23.66	20.66	DAN MEINDEL	26.66	GREG HEHLING

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Down and Back

with Jim Haupt

Does everybody know Millard Harding? Well he's an old guy, jack of all trades, who has now taken up tournament horseshoe pitching. He's old enough to step up a bit. Frees up his pitching shoulder by dropping his suspender strap sort of like Lil' Abner for those who can recall. Harding says his little Toyota truck gets pretty good gas mileage but is so speedy sometimes leads him astray. He says the officer stopped him claiming 20 mph over the limit plus wandering over the centerline for a total citation of \$900!

Then, he says, he woke up.

Have you seen Ralph Maylahn lately? He looks like a refugee from the Dr Phil show. He has dropped 49 lb. Amazing!

Meanwhile this guy, Haupt,

thought he would start making a good impression on the WHPA members at the recent meeting saying he was "so glad to be here because all of you are my good friends." A voice from the front of the room sounding like Maylahn's rejoined, "Don't be too sure."

I wonder if his gut was grumbling.

For the third time Jeff Secord is scheduling a team tournament.

Sounds like a good time. My team is in. I encourage you to join in for an all day format.

The columns of this newsletter are open to all contributors although some get special invitations. One of those special people is Jane Smith. From time to time you will see more articles with her byline. Another special contributor may be the WHPA Chaplain, Ken Heinritz. We have been after him for some time to become a regular columnist.

Trying to run Club Team without errors will be a life long quest. This time we had a new team Name system. And I had asked earlier for any constructive criticism. Well one guy said, hey what's all that stuff mean? He was referring to those numbers and abbreviated club names.

So OK. I got the message. We will now see better club names for the Club Team participants, thanks.

Juniors Only

The Deansville club in the person of Sharon Derr has scheduled probably the first ever Juniors only horseshoe tournament in Wisconsin.

She says almost apologetically that the VFW has sand courts. That's about all we could get out of her. Better call Sharon Derr for more info.

Mistakes we have made

We made a few, a few too often, but what the hey, cancel the coffin.

We are going to make it right, right here! The official schedule should have read:

JUNE 12 Eau Claire Open \$15

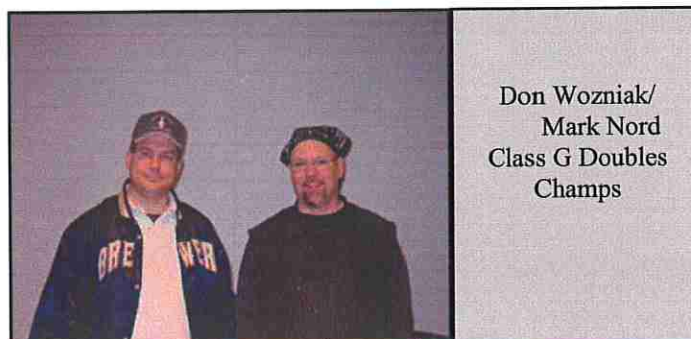
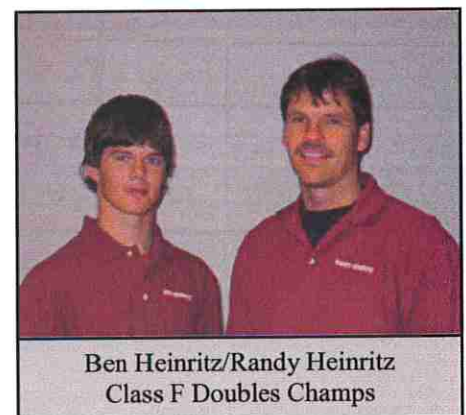
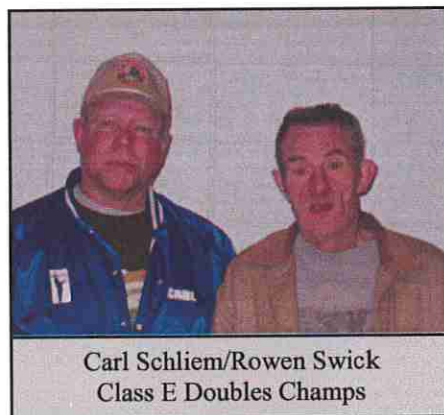
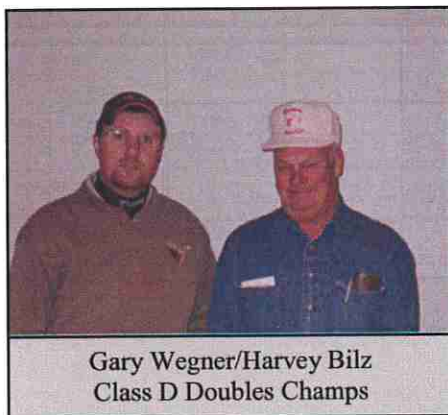
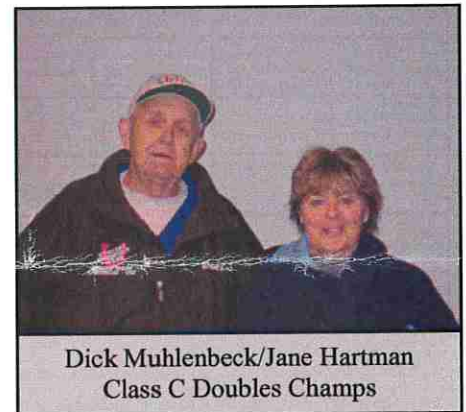
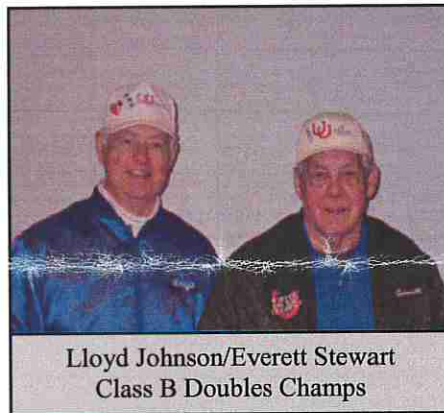
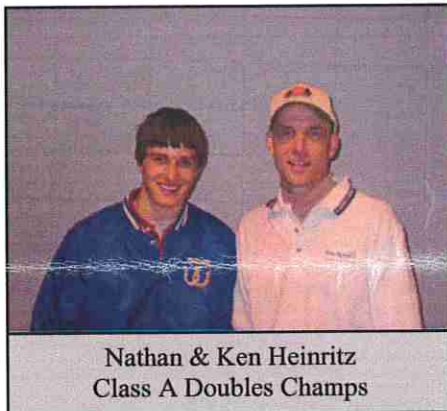
**Wayne Totten 2926 Kohlhepp Rd
Eau Claire 715-858-9470 D/L 5-30**

It should also be said that the schedule maker, Ken Jaeger had it right but in the editor, editing the list for the Newsletter, we lost the event.



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CLASS F																	
1	4	1	25.33	26.66	RANDY HEINRITZ	24.00	BEN HEINRITZ	2	3.5	1.5	18.66	6.66	MIKE STANKE	30.66	KEITH STANKE		
3	3	2	23.00	19.33	DAVE WILSON	26.66	GREG KAHL	4	2.5	2.5	24.33	24.66	RODNEY JOHNSON	24.00	STEVE DEEGAN		
5	2	3	12.67	10.00	DALE GIERACH	15.33	GREG ERNST	6	0	5	11.67	3.33	JEFF MICHELS	20.00	DAVE BALSIGER		
CLASS G																	
**	1	5	17.22	21.66	DON WOZNIAK	12.77	MARK NORD	**	2	4	22.22	8.88	BRETT CONDON	35.55	EARL PAULSON		
	3	3	2	14.66	12.66	RYAN HIEDTKE	16.66	GREG HIGHSTROM		4	2	3	18.00	15.33	JIM UHLENHAKE	20.66	GREG BERGLES
	5	2	3	13.66	12.66	DUANE BALSIGER	14.66	KEN SCHOESSOW		6	0	5	7.33	6.66	JIM SHERMAN	8.00	RON TRUMAN

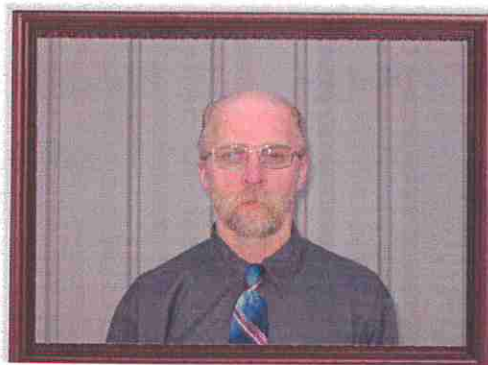


2005 HOF

Edi McKinney announced the acceptance of induction to the Hall of Fame for two of our best contributors to various projects of the WHPA.

Ken Kosky and Ken Jaeger have been jointly responsible for more than a few jobs benefiting the WHPA. They got together to personally buy clay first to be used for the State Tournament in Wausau and then again for the World. It was at their own expense. The transport from the state of Illinois, more than a few times, was theirs. The second leg, from Wausau to the Eau Claire World was another job they split. Their biggest job was the Eau Claire World Tournament of 2003. Early on it was recognized that it would be the responsibility of the state association to direct and man the work force required. They both volunteered to be part of the World committee and work with Jane Smith. She could not have asked for better workers.

In this instance it is fitting that the two, Kosky and Jaeger be inducted to the Hall of Fame together.



The Valentine

Class A

1. Penny Steinke	6	0	67.50
2. Dennis Reid	5	1	65.42
3. Dan Bloom	3	3	53.75

Class B

1. Tom Endler	6	0	57.50
2. Tom Hansen	4	2	55.00
3. Jesse Garza	4	2	50.83

Class C

1. Ray Lopez	5	1	47.92
2. Kerry Morris	3		42.9
3. Linda Hycnar	3	2	33.33

Class D

1. Dennis Simler	4	1	44.00
2. Richard Wisniewski	4	1	39.60
3. Dick Hansen	3	2	36.40

Class E

1. Rowen Swick	5	1	48.33
2. Jim Tollefson	4	2	40.83
3. Dan Stieber	3	2	39.17

Class F

1. Ed Wheeler	5	0	43.60
2. Richard Bonner	3	2	37.60
3. Bruce McLinn	3	2	34.40

Class G

1. Augie Potter	5	0	37.60
2. Sue Lange	3	2	31.20
3. Steve Deegan	3	2	29.20

Class H

1. Ken Hopp	4	1	23.33
2. Greg Kahl	4	2	27.50
3. Ron Fritz	4	2	21.67

Class J

1. Rose Gordon	5	0	21.00
2. Wayne Goers	4	1	14.40
3. Tom Hanson	3	2	21.20

Class K

1. Jim Mazan	5	0	22.00
2. Julie Potter	4	1	21.60
3. Michelle Bennett	3	2	16.40

Class L

1. Mike Keagle	5	1	15.00
2. Don Goers	5	1	10.42
3. Emilio Guzman	3	3	14.17

There was nothing new as Beloit hosted their Valentine tournament a week after the holiday. It was the same old pretty nice indoor horseshoe tournament that Beloit always conducts.

Pete Kumlien - 25 Birkies

Pete Kumlien finished his 25th American Birkebeiner a couple weeks ago.

Not bad, eh?

Even more impressive? He did it at age 68.

But wait.

At 32 miles, the Birkie was the shortest of three cross-country ski marathons he finished in a single month, after a 47-miler in France and a 37-mile race in Estonia.

"It's crazy, isn't it?" he said.

Kumlien, a retired physics and chemistry teacher who prefers "Pete" to Wendell, his given name, makes a person like me - despite my almost daily exercise routine - feel like a wimp. My law of physics says the older I get, the slower I go.

"It's a lifelong quest, and an attempt at lifelong fitness," he said.

He goes about it in a big way.

He tackled the Feb. 26 Birkebeiner on old wooden skis, wearing knickers and unintentionally too-small boots as "self-commemoration," a way to harken back to his first Birkie with the same traditional kick-and-glide classic technique he first used. In truth, he adopted the far more efficient "skating" technique of modern skiers 20 years ago, but he set it aside for the day to show the race could still be finished on wooden skis.

"I had waxing nightmares the night before," he said about his worry over getting the ski wax applied just right. "That really took me back to the first Birkie."

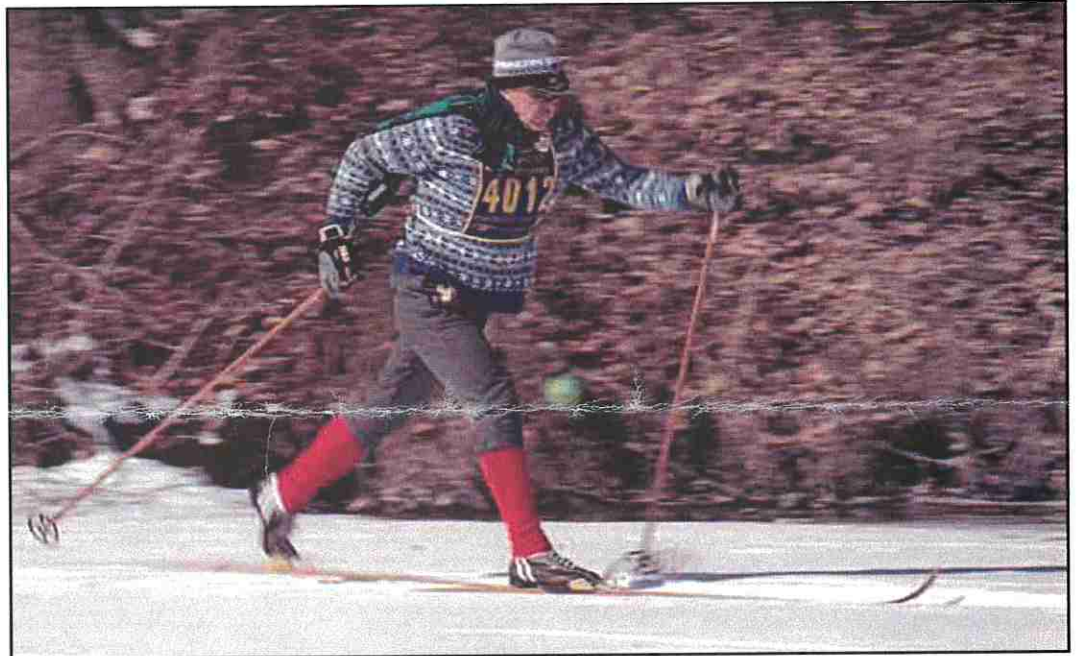
Hobbled by the small boots, he finished in 5 hours and 43 seconds, his slowest time ever and two hours slower than his fastest time.

But Kumlien was thrilled, slow time and all. He wants to be a role model of fitness to his offspring, and his son skied the Kortelopet, or half-Birkie, knocking an hour off his best time. An 11-year-old grandson skied the 3-kilometer Junior Birkie. It was a weekend of

male bonding and sweet success.

Though Kumlien's wife, Carol, didn't join him this time, she's got the fitness thing down cold. As a retired physical education teacher who has completed 10 Birkies, four or five half-Birkies and who enjoys tennis and kayaking, "she's no slouch," he said.

Finishing the Birkebeiner even once is a feat the faint of heart among us can only dream of. Twenty-five of them? Twice Kumlien even set a speed record, of sorts, finishing close behind the elite racers in his age group and earning him a special award in what's called "The 25% Club."



He would have made it a third time, he said, "but I had to take a number two and I missed (the time) by 30 seconds." Kumlien roared in laughter at his own tale, the kind of war story that experienced skiers share among themselves.

We chatted by the sunny picture window of the Kumlien's Town of Mukwonago home for the past eight years. It's a bright and cozy abode overlooking Upper Phantom Lake, what he and Carol call their "golden pond" and one of the spots the couple like to ski recreationally.

As if 25 Birkebeiners haven't given Kumlien enough storytelling material - and exercise - Kumlien is working on a more ambitious goal.

The Worldloppet, founded in 1978, is a collection of 14 ski marathon races in Europe, America, Asia and Australia. Only one and the best race from a country can

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His first Birkie got him started, but now he's got 12 of the world races under his belt. He wants to finish all 14 by the time he's 70.

"It's one of my life goals," he said.

He's already a Worldloppet "gold master" - the only one in southeastern Wisconsin and one of about 10 in the state, he said - because he finished nine of what, at the time, were nine total races on the circuit. Since then, five more have been added.

Kumlien has finished the Worldloppet ski marathons in Austria, Italy, Germany, Canada, America, Finland, Sweden, Switzerland, Norway, Japan, Estonia and France. In the next year or two he'll race in the final two, in the Czech Republic and Australia, though there's talk of adding a 15th in China.

The races are by no means equal. In 1984, Kumlien finished the longest one - Sweden's 57-mile race - in 9 hours and 26 minutes.

"I wonder how the hell I did that one," he said, recalling that he nearly "hit the wall" of exhaustion along the way. He blamed himself for training too much on hills and not enough on flats.

His "sweetest" Worldloppet race was also the shortest - which makes perfect sense to me. It was a 25-mile race in Switzerland that he finished in 1996 with a personal best, 2 hours and 39 minutes. The race was mostly downhill, descending from 7,200 feet to 5,200 feet along a valley between mountains and ending in St. Moritz.

"It was just like a dream," he said.

Skiing isn't his only outlet. He's a crack horseshoe player, a recreational kayaker, a tennis player and a golfer. He also runs or roller-skis, part of his year-round training regimen for skiing. And oh, by the way, in his spare time he climbed Mount Kilimanjaro.

He and Carol had traveled to Africa for a safari trip, and he stayed on a little longer for the climb. His guide had to beg off early because of altitude sickness, but Kumlien kept going, eventually catching up to some Japanese climbers until he made it to the top.

"I'm so damn lucky," he said, aware that just like with that climb, good health has allowed him to keep running and skiing and enjoying life.

But that's the point, after all.

The CLASH

From Rudy Van Fleet

A full house arrived for the Clash With Kerry tournament held at Nelson's Crossing in Deansville.

The results:

Class A

1 - Randy Rein	8-0	66.2
2 - Tom Endler	6-2 4	9.6%
3 - Jim Larson	4-4	48.3%
4 - Jerry Weikert	4-4	43.7%

Class B

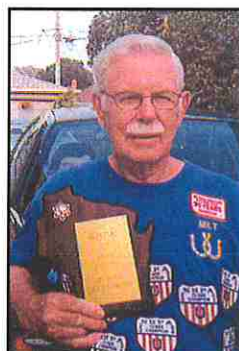
1 - Ray Lopez	6-1	50.0%
2 - Ed Wheeler	6-1	41.3%
3 - Leo Richter	5-2	35.3%
4 - Ralph Marthaler	4-3	39.2%

Class C

1 - Ken Kosky	6-2	35.4%
2 - Gary Volz	5-3	34.1%
3 - Carol Rahfaldt	5-3	33.6%
4 - John Mills	5-3	33.15

Class D

1. Wayne Franzen	8-0	17.0%
2 - Steve Mancl	6-2	28.7%
3 - Rod Johnson	5-3	20.8%
4 - Dale McGowan	5-3	18.7%



To: WHPA

Thanks to all pitchers, the WHPA, and friends for awarding me the "Pitcher of the Year" for 2004 division 2.

Milt Larson

Scorekeeping is an ART!

By Jane Smith

Are you a GREAT scorekeeper or just a scorekeeper? Every tournament needs scorekeepers whether the pitcher keeps their own score or the pitchers are lucky enough to have scorekeepers for every game. Scorekeeping is an art and requires astute discipline to keep score at tournaments correctly. Believe it or not there are specific Do's and Don'ts in the scorekeeping art. If all scorekeepers follow the guidelines, many questions from the spectators can be quickly answered.

Before the game actually begins, the scorekeeper should write the names of the contestants on the score sheet **properly**. The **lowest number pitcher is on the left** of the sheet as well as the name tag **on the left or on top of the visible scoreboard**. This is for consistency as a spectator can glance at the scoreboards and immediately see who or which team is ahead. The Class, Division, game number, etc should also be completed before the game begins. Once the game begins and the score is called by the pitchers, **FIRST change the score on the visible scoreboard**, then write it on the paper. The reason for changing the board FIRST is that the players will see the proper score and the movement of the scorekeeper occurs before the players prepare to pitch. At the end of a close 40 show game the spectators will know who won the game rather than speculating by the body language of the pitchers. As the game progresses and if possible, rotate the scoreboards so all spectators can see the score occasionally. At the end of the game, pitchers SHOULD wait at the end of the courts and WAIT patiently

for the scorekeeper to bring their round robin and name tags to them. The reason for waiting at the end of the court reduces interference with games still in progress on the courts.

Players, spectators, and the tournament director will thank you for becoming a GREAT scorekeeper.

Wisconsin Sanctioned Club/League News

by Lorraine Sternberg

I am very pleased to announce that this year the NHPA awarded six \$200 scholarships. Of those six, three went to Wisconsin junior league pitchers.

Nicola Hickethier of the Close Doesn't Count Junior League

James Paulson from the Beloit Horseshoe Club

Lisa McTavish from the Golden-dale Horseshoe Club

Kiri Cook of the Fleet Reserve Horseshoe League received honorable mention.

CONGRATULATIONS to all of these Wisconsin junior pitchers!

Wisconsin also did very well this past year with the Sanctioned League Top Ten list.

In the Adult National Division, **Mark Mauthe** received 10th place for High Point Average (111.11). Mauthe also came in 6th place in the Men's 40' Division for High Ringer Average (64.89%) and 10th place for High Ringer Game (80.00%)

Also in the Adult National Division, **Wes Podvin** took 5th place for High Points over Average (36.33) and in the same category **Jim**

Haupt ranked 10th (34.41).

Gert Wilcziek, placed 1st in the National Division of High Ringer Average (81.67%). In the Women's Division, Wilcziek placed 1st in High Ringer Average (81.67%) and a 1st in High Ringer Game (98.00%)

Wayne Totten ranked 7th in the National Division of High Ringer Average (72.03%). In the Men's 30' Division, Totten came in 3rd in High Ringer Average (72.03%) and 2nd in High Ringer Game (90.00%).

Also in the Men's 30' Division, **Bernie Stelter** placed 4th in High Ringer over Average (32.39) and in the same category **Bill Matey** placed 8th (29.79)

Deb Halvorson placed 3rd in the Women's Division for High Ringer Game (82.00%)

Norma Thompson came in 10th for High Ringer over Average (26.13).

In the Junior National Division, **Tava Cook** placed 3rd in High Point Average (76.77), and 5th in High Point Game (105). In the Girl's Division Tava placed 1st for High Ringer Average (39.20%), 3rd for High Ringer Game (60.00%) and 4th in High Ringer over Average (20.80).

Tina Riehle, placed 8th in High Point Average (70.47), 3rd for High Point Game (111) and 2nd in High Point over Average (40.53). In the Girl's Division, Riehle ranked 5th for High Ringer Average (32.80%) and 1st for both High Ringer Game (68.00%) and High Ringer over Average (35.20).

Kiri Cook, in the Girl's Division placed 6th in High Ringer Average ((30.20%), 5th in High Ringer Game (48.00%) and a 8th in High Ringer over Average (17.80)

GREAT JOB WISCONSIN!

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If your club or league plans on entering the National Sanctioned Club/League Tournament, October 8th and 9th the entry form will be in the May/June issue of Newslite. It is limited to 24 teams and I do expect it to fill up fast. Don't delay in getting your entry in to me. For more details about the tournament just give me a call or you can e-mail me.

Hope you all have a great summer horseshoe league!

Butler, WI - New Courts

Butler, formerly home of "Wild West Days" and presently home to Wild West Podvin, entertained the subject of 'horseshoe courts' at a recent Village board meeting.

The driving force, Phil Gross of the village Recreation Department has suggested horseshoe courts for Frontier Park located on the north side of town. He introduced Wes Podvin, local pitcher, and visitors, Jim Haupt, Tony Scrima, and Tom Steinke who offered their support.

Gross mentioned that he would like to see a tournament scheduled on the new courts once the leagues become established.

The village board merely asked for price of construction deferring any decision.

Jerry Volz Memorial

The Volz family, Gary and Dave will host the third annual Jerry Volz Memorial Saturday June 25th at the Delton Sportsmen's Club south of Lake Delton. It's the same place of the recent WHPA meetings.

Follow the signs off Hwy 23 P south of Lake Delton, WI I-90/94 exit #89.

Four person teams will play a

round robin format. Entry fee is \$20 per team 100% considered as payback, trophies included.

Teams will be divided into two classes and the event will be non-sanctioned.

The start time is 12:00 Noon and either Gary 608-444-8563, or Dave 608-547-2769 may be contacted for more information.

Scott Kater

Scott Kater, 55, Combined Locks, WI, suffered a fatal heart attack recently. Other news is sketchy as Scott was on cruise when the incident occurred and communication was delayed.

Scott R. Kater, of Little Chute, age 55, passed away suddenly on Sunday, April 10, 2005. He was born in Niles, Michigan on February 26, 1950 to Richard and Gwendolyn (Davis) Kater. Scott worked for 26 years at Metso Paper in Appleton. He was a member of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association and loved playing at Kamps Kovered Kourts in Combined Locks. Scott also enjoyed hunting, horseshoes, scuba diving, and traveling. He will be sadly missed by his children: Audra (Scott) Peters of Freedom; Jeremy (Dede) Kater of Freedom; mother of his children: Roseann Kater

Skinny Ollerman

Grand old man of the Fond du Lac club passes on.

Clarence Ollerman was a member of Immanuel-Trinity Lutheran Church, serving as an usher for over 50 years. In 1991, he was elected to the Hall of Fame for the Wisconsin Horseshoe Pitchers Association. He served as secretary/treasurer for the Fond du Lac Horseshoe Club many years. He was the senior champion in horseshoe pitching in the over 70 State Title for Wisconsin. He was also the secretary for 20 years for the Ledgeview Seniors Bowling League. He is survived by a daughter, Patricia (Hod) McCadden, three grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, a sister, Bernice Grimmer, a brother, Robert Ollerman; a sister-in-law, Edith Ollerman; nieces; and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; and his wife, Adell.

NHPF in Joelton

Late news from Tennessee is that the horseshoe association there has petitioned the NHPF to hold off selling the Joelton property for a period of three years.

During that time the THPA has stated some their goals to be to resume hosting tournaments and to recruit a major sponsor for the facility and a major tournament.

For the consideration the THPA is prepared to donate \$1500 per year.

Put your self in their position. At their door step they have arguably the best pitching complex in the nation. The latest news from the NHPA is that sale is imminent. It appears the Tennessee people are trying to buy some time before their Palace is gone.

New Association president, Paula Hunsicker and other officers authored a letter to the effect.

WORLD TOURNAMENT TRAVEL

Part 3

2000 Bismarck, North Dakota

Day 1, August : Plans were to leave Gloria Smith's home in Milltown at 8:00 AM. Jane was a bit late so already the schedule needed to be adjusted. Jane drove her van with Edie and Gloria as the designated back seat drivers until we reached Sauk Rapids, MN. Shari Davison followed in her SUV. Once we left Milltown, we stopped in Taylor Falls for cheap gas, and excellent cookies and apple fritters for energy :-). Finally, on the road for a serious drive to Sauk Rapids to pick up Rosie Leyk and April Gage. April had directions but missed a few turns so there was time to psyche up for the trip west. Once April arrived and vehicles were "loaded" we were on our way. Shari and April in Shari's SUV and Jane, Edie, Gloria, and Rosie in the van. We corrected a wrong turn and before long we were looking for a place for lunch. We decided Fargo but missed our turn so had to wait until 2:30 in Tri-City for a restaurant. We arrived in Bismarck at 5:00, registered at the motel and proceeded to carry our stuff to the third floor. No elevators here so no weight room work needed today. Shari and April in one room and the others in a suite. We had all worked up a 'sweat' and 'thirst' so declared it BEER TIME! We then went to the courts to watch the Dahl boys pitch ringers. By 9:00 PM we were hungry again so were off to find a restaurant. found an excellent one with German specials. We had a unpronounceable but very tasty soup. Tired and full we headed back to the hotel, found our corners of the room and hit the sack.

Day 2, August 3: Gloria, Shari and April pitch today so Gloria rests as do Shari and April as they closed the bars the night before. Edie, Rosie and Jane headed to the courts. Edie and Jane were to help Bonnie Siebold with her shift and were surprised to find they had to work the next shift. Plans were made for Rosie to get Gloria to the courts so work obligations could be met. After the girls pitched, we watched the Dahl boys finish their games. We left the courts in search of a Chinese restaurant, found one, ate well and returned to the motel around 9:30. We used the hot tub, did a bit of visiting and at 10:30 the light were out. By 10:35 the lights were on as we had questions about the schedule to check.

Day 3, August 4: Alarm rings at 6:05 as Jane and Edie need to work the 8:00 shift handing out name cards and game sheets. Finished the shift at 11:00 and headed back to the motel to get Rosie and Gloria. We had not time for

shopping so far so decided to check out the Pawn shop across the street from our motel. We found some nice pieces of jewelry. We wrote and delivered a note to Dave Schorbahn and ran so we were not discovered "passing notes". We were laughing so hard at our silliness our sides hurt. this was good conditioning for events later that day. As we were having supper, Edie ordered a malt. She was reaching for the cold, slippery metal container when it slipped out of her hands. It hit the table with a splash and malt everywhere! While Edie was busy wiping the table, Ken Kosky was sitting quietly waiting for someone to notice that his face, hair, and shirt were also covered with malt. The whole table erupted in laughter as he remarked "What about me?" as Edie was cleaning the table. The final episode of the night happened when the ice machine "ate" Jane's necklace!

Day 4, August 5: This was again a busy day as we had a leisurely breakfast before heading to the mall. After spending our money wisely we had a Mexican lunch before bringing Gloria to the courts for her 3:00 pitching shift. We kept score for her class and then for the Junior Championships later that evening. We had promised Pudge and Bare Dahl pizza BUT it was 12:30 way past our bedtime so requested a raincheck. April finished 7th in her class as did Pudge in the Jr Championships.

Day 5, August 6: The alarm went off at 6:00 so Edie, Rosie and Jane could get to the NHPA convention on time. It was a long meeting with two 10 minute breaks. Sue got to town on Saturday evening on her way from the Sturgis motor bike ride. After the meeting we picked up Sue and Gloria, dropped them off at a craft show while we searched for a restaurant. We joined them at the craft show but it was HOT Edie spent \$%.00 per minute! Went to the practice courts for an hour before walking to K-Mart. Edie stayed at the motel for a long (3 minute) relaxing bath. Lights out 11:00

Day 6, August 7: Clayton and Don played at 8:30 so Jane, Edie and Gloria get to the courts for moral support. Clayton played well and Don did a bit of grumbling. Back to the motel to move from our suite ion the third floor to Clayton's suite also on the third floor in the other wing. There was more room in his hence the trade. Needless to say no elevators, no weight training needed again. Jane and Edie helped Bonnie with her shift at 3:00. Gloria and Don filled in as Edie and Jane had to pitch. There were some good and some bad games. Jane struggled getting the shoes in the court so withdrew as her shoes were out of control. Rosie, Susie and Lu held their own. Edie pitched at 6:00 PM. She was tired from the activity of the day and still pitched respectable shoes. Believe it or not, we were hungry again so we went to our favorite German

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restaurant with Dick Dvorak, Ward Lutz, and Jerry and Michelle LaBrosse. Conversations ranged from the serious to the mundane! All in all a great time was had by all.

Day 7, August 8: Edie, Gloria, and Jane headed to the courts to watch Clayton and Don. Don had a good day while Clayton struggled. Left the courts to go to the '50's Cafe² for lunch. Did a bit of shopping before going back to the courts for an afternoon of pitching ringers. Edie and Jane went back to the motel, then grocery shopping for lemons for the Zima! Edie pitched at 6:00. After her shift we went to an Italian supper with Dick D., Wayne Totten, Ward L., and Less and Lu Cave. We were enjoying our salads when Wayne had a terrible charley horse muscle spasm. Edie quick ran to the car for her aspirin. Wayne was in agony but it didn't phase the rest of us as we kept right on eating. The aspirin did give relief so Wayne was also able to enjoy his supper. Back to the motel and light out at 11:30.

Day 8, August 9: Edie, our secretary, forgot to make entries so we don't remember what we did. It was the

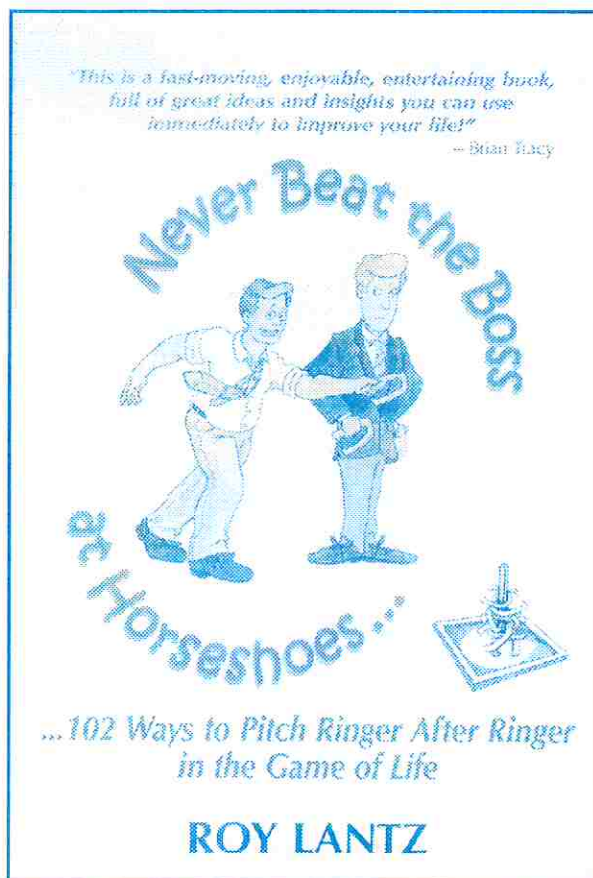
final day of pitching for everyone of us. Clayton made it to the finals in the Elders and Edie into the Sr. Women finals!

Day 9, August 10: Edie played well and ended up 4th in the World for the Sr. Women's Class. Clayton played his games and was not satisfied. He has one more day to redeem himself. We watched more finals later in the day.

Day 10, August 11: Clayton finished his finals and ended??? Again watched some of the men and ladies finals. Wayne made it into the Sr. Men's finals:-)

Day 11, August 12: Watched the final games of the men and ladies. Began packing for the trip home. Had to send some stuff with Clayton.

Day 12, August 13: Packed and hit the road. Had lunch in Fargo. Dropped Rosie in Sauk Rapids and off to WI. Lee met Sue at Gloria's. Everyone was glad to be home again.

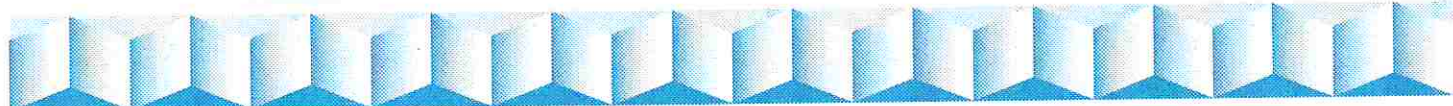


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