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## 2012 Horseshoe Season is off to a great start!

-STAFF

This year, 22 juniors pitched in the annual 'Bring A Junior' tournament at the Beloit Horseshoe Club on Saturday, March 3. The next day followed up with 27 new pitchers taking the stand in the annual 'Bring A Pal' tournament. It's great to see so many new people of all ages trying out such a great sport that is horseshoes. I hope this tradition carries on for many years to come. Our next non-sanctioned tournament, the WI Horseshoe Open, will be held on Sunday, April 21 at the Horny Goat Brewery in Milwaukee, WI. An entry form is included inside this newsletter on page 13.



Left: 'Bring A Junior' Class A  
Below: 'Bring A Junior' Class D



Left: 'Bring A Pal' Class A Champs  
Below: 'Bring A Pal' Class B Champs



## Kickoff Weekend

-JIM HAUPT

May 5 and 6, mark it down! Telfer Park arena in Beloit will be the scene of: the Club-Team tournament, the WHPA Spring Meeting, and the WHPA State Doubles.

The Club-Team should attract near 100 pitchers from various clubs, counties or areas. Teams of four are seeded into classes based upon entering averages. Have three friends in your neck of the woods? This is your chance to rock.

Sunday, the 6th is State Doubles day. Find

a partner, and don't worry about matching shoes; walking doubles is the game. You say doubles raises havoc with your game? Who cares? The NHPA bases your average on only your best tournaments. Throw out

the doubles, live a little.

The State Meeting, with a chance to be heard, will be Saturday. Attendance is up for grabs. Usually we get 30-40 people interested enough to help run the show. Stick around to see how it goes with our new President, Glenn Bogenschneider.

The meeting is free. For entry in the other two events, see the "Coming Events" column.



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HORSESHOES

## From your President Glenn Bogenschneider

It has been an especially sad start to 2012. Since January 14th, we have lost four of our horseshoe family. On behalf of the Executive Board, we offer our sympathy to the families of Harold Laws, Becky Kangas, Red Ferguson, and Dave Klipstein. Please keep their families in your thoughts and prayers.

The Executive Board met in February and it was decided to do an entire membership mailing. You should have received this mailing in early March. If you have not returned the survey, or taken it online, please do so at this time. Please use the other promotional materials in the mailing for membership recruitment and promotion of our great sport. The Board feels so strongly about these two areas that we are creating two new state committees; Membership and Publicity.

The Membership committee would be responsible for new member acquisition and current member retention. The Publicity committee will develop promotional supplies and materials to get the WHPA name throughout the State. If

any of you are interested in working in either of these two areas, and with your dynamic Board, please contact us. We are excited about the potential of these committees and would like to get them up and running as soon as possible. Committee responsibilities are outlined in another section.

**GREAT NEWS!** The Wausau Convention & Sport Authority has bid on the 2014 World Tournament. The Executive Board unanimously supports this bid and is assisting Wausau with their presentation to be made at this year's World Tourney in Knoxville, TN, on August 5th. Please plan to attend and offer your support.

Finally, but SO important, our Spring State Meeting will be held at Telfer Park on Saturday, May 5th, following the completion of the Club Tourney. Please make every effort to attend. This is your opportunity to be seen and heard.

In closing, please, Pitch, Promote, Participate!!

## Behind the Mask With Ken Heinritz

Have you ever disciplined anyone? In Christian circles, discipling another has to do with teaching and instructing them to follow the ways of the Lord. If you expect horseshoe pitching to gain members who become strong in the sport, I believe disciple-making ought to be routinely happening. The word "disciple" simply means "follower." It makes



sense that if our sport is to survive, we must work on discipling the next generation.

This might mean that you reach out to your grandchildren, your sons, daughters, nieces, nephews, friends and their children.

The Beloit Horseshoe Club carefully implemented a fabulous idea of how to get new blood at the courts. Their new 'Bring a Junior' tournament (now in their 2<sup>nd</sup> year) has turned into a smashing success. Twenty-two juniors are now members after just one tournament.

But once they get a taste of the tournament fun, let's not stop there. Kids want to get better or else they become

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## Update on Summer Badger Games

By, Randy and Marge Rein

The Little Bull Falls Horseshoe Club at this time can announce that horseshoes has made it to the Summer Badger Games for 2012. The date is **June 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012**. The tournament will be held in Mosinee at the Mosinee Rec. Center. It will be held outside in the parking lot (where the 2011 state tournament was held).

This tournament will be a non-sanctioned tournament. It will be run like our state tournaments, round robin play, 6-8 person classes. We will be utilizing our portable horseshoe courts that will be filled with sand instead of clay.

All age groups are welcome. Entry fee 0-9 years - \$7.00, 10-18 years - \$12.00, and adults will be \$17.00. The tournament will be self-scoring. If pitchers do not have an average, they will have to throw 100 shoes, keep track of their ringers and points and send this information in with their entry, so we can classify them in the right class.

The Central Wisconsin Convention and Visitors Bureau will be advertising horseshoes along with their other summer games. They are in the process of putting together a flyer on this for us.

Our horseshoe club will also be handing out flyers on this tournament. Our goal is to hang these flyers in every bar that has a horseshoe team in hopes to promote the Summer Badger Games and possibly attract more pitchers to join the NHPA. We will be bringing some flyers to Beloit for the Spring Meeting on May 5, 2012. We hope everyone around the state will take a few flyers, hand them out and talk to your horseshoe pitchers in your local towns about this tournament opportunity.

Our club believes this may be a super way to get more people interested in the NHPA. But we will need your help to get the word out.

The Central Wisconsin Convention and Visitors Bureau is requesting that **all participants register on-line for this tournament at:** <http://www.BadgerStateGames.org>. Make your check or money order payable to "Badger State Games" and send to:

**Badger State Games  
219 Jefferson Street  
Wausau, WI 54403**

## Behind The Mask

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discouraged and quit. If their shoe twirls and flips every direction before it lands in the pit (even if they happen to get a ringer), what have we accomplished? Let's come alongside them and teach them what we know. This will involve a little time commitment on your part but may reap lasting dividends. Start by telling them what you do, what you know, what works for you and what doesn't. The following are pointers that you could start with:

- How do you grip a shoe?
- How high do you hold it?
- Where do you stand?
- What are your eyes looking at?
- Do you bend a knee?
- Do you lean forward?
- What about arm swing?
- What should be the proper rotation of the shoe in the air?



Rich Altis giving advice to Russ Heinritz.

How do you correct a short shoe?

- ... a long shoe?
- ... a shoe to the right or left?

How big of a step do you take?

How high of an arc?

What about release?

What about follow-through?

What kind of shoe is used?

Maybe you are thinking "I haven't mastered this yet, so how can I help someone else?" Just tell them what you



Russ now giving advice to Joshua Kuchta.

know. Whether you are a 20% pitcher or a 50% pitcher, everyone has something they can share.

The apostle Paul said: **"...the things that you have heard from me... commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also."** II Timothy 2:2

So I ask, "Are you in the disciple-making business?"



## Deansville Rally

By, Jim Haupt

Club pro, State Title contender, Jim Larson, switched to a one and 3/4. He handles it well but darn, he hit the ceiling, not once, but three times. That was it for him. Three games and he called it a day saying he needed the great outdoors.

Leo Richter was pitching so well in the club ringer league that directors VanFleet and Morris ignored the normal NHPA average routine inserting Richter into A class saying he plays up to his competition. They were right. See results.

Among the spectators, actually most of the spectators, were Karen, Grace, and Maureen. Like movie stars, first names only.

## The Deansville Klash

By, Jim Haupt

It was a great day for the Irish—ersatz Irishman, Leo Richter, that is. Pitching 14 percentage points o'avg, a personal record, and extremely good by anyone's standards, he won class A. He can thank Rudy and Kerry. They knew he was up to the task.

One B class guy arrived a little late, missed three games, but went on to win one, lose another, and tie two for a 2 - 2 record. He lobbied for placement. Unfortunately he had to swallow three losses by the temporary replacement pacer who never wins.

## Beloit—Deansville Challenge



## Remarks from the Regional Director

By, Jim Haupt

Laurie Dolezel found her Eau Claire City-Co tournament missing from the recent schedule. It's on the 14th of August, open to all, and the entry fee is only \$5. The Eau Claire Open plays on June 3rd.

Darryl Hintz, our man in Merrill, saw fit to change his tournament date to avoid conflict with nearby Roseville. He has chosen an otherwise open date, July 21.

NEW to the schedule this year is John Meyer's F.D.L. event. It's a stand alone tournament on the 30th of June, 1st of July. He has lots of work to do upgrading score devices, etc. Let's show him we appreciate his efforts on bringing tournaments back to Winnebago-land. Centrally located, its an opportunity for everybody.

Dave and Gary Volz will be conducting their Jerry Volz Memorial tournament in the woods of the Lake Delton Sportman's Club, same time as Team-World. If you can't make the "Team," make the Volz Memorial. It's truly 'backwoods.' Unsanctioned rules apply. Swing a shoe for points and there is no way to foul - no way. For a good time, pitch with the Volz bro's.

As usual, there is no event scheduled for the weekend before the World Tournament, the 28th of July. Not everyone is traveling to Knoxville, TN that day. Moreover, it could serve as a last chance World warm-up for the greater number of pitchers who already expect to pitch later than the first three days of the World.

No surprise, but Marengo has not checked in yet and we haven't heard from LaCrosse, both sanctioned tournaments. Tried email, the telephone, going to smoke signals next. Hope they can read smoke.

The Wisconsin Sports Development Corporation has reached an agreement with the Wausau/Central Wisconsin Convention & Visitors' Bureau that will allow its signature event, the Badger State Games, to continue in 2012 and beyond. Randy Rein has committed to conduct a horseshoe tournament in their name. June 23-24 at same place we pitched the last State Tournament, except, outdoors this time. The Bull Falls Club will be setting up their platform courts in the parking lot. Loading same with sand but no pitching for the director, he is limited to being the ringmaster.

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
COOPERATION**

Handwritten Submissions to be accepted by Jim Haupt on a limited basis.



## 2012 State Horseshoe Tournament Eau Claire

By, John Dolezel

The Eau Claire Horseshoe Club is moving ahead with plans to host the 2012 state tournament. Club member Mark Gagnon has stepped forward to coordinate preparing the club for the tournament in conjunction with the close Doesn't Count Club. The horseshoe courts at Carson Park in Eau Claire will be the site of the tournament.

The club decided to purchase MADE IN USA tournament shirts this year in effort, in a small way, to help the economy. We hope you will support us in this effort. Shirts will be available in green and pink colors and will be sold at the Club Team Tourney and WHPA Doubles Tourney in Beloit on MAY 5 and 6 or by contacting any Eau Claire Horseshoe Club member. Cost of the shirts is \$15.00.

Due to the outdoors venue, electronic scorekeeping will not be used, so manual scorekeepers will be needed.

The Ramada Convention Center at 206 S. Barstow Street in downtown Eau Claire, (715)835-

6121, is reserving a block of rooms for the tournament. The room rate is \$79.

A reminder to anyone needing an additional tournament to qualify to pitch in the world tournament, Eau Claire will hold it's Early Bird Tournament on May 12.



**"For 89 years horseshoe champions have been crowned. Be part of history as we crown champions for the 90th time in Eau Claire, WI—Labor Day Weekend 2012!"**

## Never Too Old!

By, Dave Volz



Larry Volz, 83, and his sister-in-law, Virginia Robinson, 83, were the 2011 Bronco Billy's co-ed horseshoe league champions. Bronco Billy's is located on Hwy 12 between Baraboo and Lake Delton. The handicapped league held on Wednesday nights consisted of 11 teams.

## 10th Annual Jerry Volz Memorial Horseshoe Tournament Saturday, May 19th, 2012

At the Delton Sportsman's Club:  
Follow signs off Hwy 23 and Hwy P south of Lake Delton, Wisconsin. 190/94 Exit #89

**4 Person Teams**

**&**

**Bring Your Partner Doubles**

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Sign up by 11:30, Start at Noon for both events  
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Overnight Camping Welcome

For more information contact either:

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## Friends We'll Miss

### Red Ferguson & Harry Laws

By, Earl Paulson

This Winter the Beloit Horseshoe Club lost two of its oldest and most faithful members. People who have been pitching in our tournaments for years will miss the competitive spirit and the friendliness of Red and Harry. Harry was the good-will-ambassador. He always made a point of making sure everyone coming to Beloit had a good time. Red would usually give you some pointers to improve your pitching and end up beating you.

Both Red and Harry pitched in many World Tournaments all over the U.S. and even once in Kitchener, Ontario Canada. In 1992 at Columbus, Ohio Red won his class and in 1992 he won again in Syracuse, NY. In 1991 Ken Lovaas and Earl Paulson rode with Red and Harry to Biloxi, Miss. We brought back no trophies on that trip but we made a good showing and had a good time.

At the Hall of Fame Banquet during the World Tournament in Bismarck, N.D. in 2000, NHPA President Paul Steward of North

Carolina presented Red with the year 2000 NHPA Achievement Award for his gift to the Beloit Horseshoe Club making it possible for the club to build an indoor pitching facility.

In 2001 Red, although he lived in Illinois, was inducted as a complimentary member of the Wisconsin Horseshoe Pitcher's Hall of Fame.

In Beloit we will always have many fond memories of Harry and Red. All the many trips we made together to pitch in World Tournaments, State Tournaments, Sanctioned Tournaments and just plain fun tournaments will be with us forever. We will miss them.



### Dave Klipstein

By, Jane Smith

An accident at his home claimed Dave, age 64. He served in the US Army in Vietnam before farming with his family in Hillsboro. He enjoyed many activities such as horseshoes, bowling, pool and golf. He attended many horseshoe tournaments thus making many good friends. He was a fun competitor as he had fun playing whether he won or lost. He enjoyed the outdoors and life on the farm. His friendly smile and demeanor will be missed on the courts. Our sincere sympathy to his family.



### Becky Kangas

By, Jane Smith

Becky Kangas, 58 years young, was a dedicated horseshoe cheerleader! She backed her husband, Don, at every tournament. Their son, Daniel, entered the horseshoe arena as a three-year-old, singing the National Anthem at a State Tournament in Eau Claire. He took the mike and held the audience in awe! The Kangas family was always full of smiles, hugs, handshakes and good conversation. We have not seen too much of them the past few years as Don has had health challenges of his own. Their name usually came up at State tournaments as the good times were discussed. Becky will be laid to rest with family members in Arizona. Becky would appreciate any memorial to be sent to the WHPA Junior Scholarship fund. She will be missed as we send the family our deepest sympathy.

#### *A Friend is...*

*A friend is one of the nicest things you can have, and one of the best things you can be. A friend is a living treasure, and if you have one, you have one of the most valuable gifts in life...*





## Tournament Results

### Beloit 001 Tournament Results Jan 14/15, 2012

<b>Class A</b>			
Dennis Reid	5	0	64%
Jesse Garza	4	1	54.2%
Glenn Wicklund	3	2	43.6%

<b>Class B</b>			
John Meyer	4	1	43.2%
Tom Endler	3	2	47.6%
Bruce McLinn	3	2	46.4%

<b>Class C</b>			
Kerry Morris	5	0	39.2%
Rowan Swick	4	1	36.8%
Rich Lodor	3	2	35.2%

<b>Class D</b>			
John Garvan	5	0	41.6%
Duane Henriksen	4	1	30.8%
Jim Huckabee	2.5	2.5	35.2%

<b>Class E</b>			
Mike Rousseau	4	1	34.4%
Joel Ramsdell	4	1	32.2%
Ray Lopez	4	1	28.8%

<b>Class F</b>			
Norm Beckius	5	1	40.83%
Daniel Lessman	4	2	28.75%
Dennis Simler	4	2	22.08%

<b>Class G</b>			
Russ Burns	5	0	32.8%
Luke Thompson	4	1	35.6%
James Gaspers	2	3	28.4%

<b>Class H</b>			
Jenny Reed	4	1	32.2%
Leo Richter	3.5	1.5	37.2%
Roger Schnabel	3	2	23.2%

<b>Class I</b>			
Julie Petrovski	5	1	29.58%
Jim Mazan	5	1	23.33%
Mike Lange	4.5	1.5	18.75%

<b>Class J</b>			
Ron Fritz	4.5	1.5	26.67%
Scott Linhart	4.5	1.5	25.42%
Tom Bird	4	2	16.67%

<b>Class K</b>			
Ernie Rakstad	5	0	21.6%
Rondi Mengelt	4	1	17.2%
Scott Winefka	3	2	16.4%

<b>Class L</b>			
Ron Ramquist	5	1	17.08%
John Resch	5	1	7.5%
Ed Dolan	4	2	9.17%



### Beloit Valentine Tournament Results February 11/12, 2012

<b>Class A</b>			
Dennis Reid	5	0	63.2%
Ken Heinritz	3	2	55.6%
Don Illgen	3	2	49.6%

<b>Class B</b>			
Dalton Simmons	5	1	47.5%
Hallie Romanelli	4	2	45.8%
Roger Ehlers	3.5	2.5	39.5%

<b>Class C</b>			
Bun Carley	5	0	37.6%
Tim Lazaris	4	1	41.6%
Jerry Schroeder	3	2	27.2%

<b>Class D</b>			
Leo Richter	5	1	40.42%
Jim Tollefson	5	1	37.92%
Rich Lodor	4	2	35.42%

<b>Class E</b>			
Linda Roeber	4	1	32.4%
John Garvan	3	2	38%
Mike Rousseau	3	2	32%

<b>Class F</b>			
Luke Thompson	4	2	33.75%
James Gaspers	4	2	33.75%
Joel Ramsdell	4	2	33.33%

<b>Class G</b>			
Roger Schnabel	5	0	38.4%
Don Goers	3	2	19.6%
John Wilson	2	3	23.6%

<b>Class H</b>			
Ken Hopp	5	0	28.8%
Joe Annoreno	4	1	28.4%
Scott Linhart	3	2	30.4%

<b>Class I</b>			
Al Johnson	5	0	51.2%
Jim Mazan	4	1	24.8%
Greg Bergles	2.5	3.5	20%

<b>Class J</b>			
Rondi Mengelt	4	1	21.6%
Mike Lange	4	1	21.37%
Georgia Beebe	3	2	25.81%

<b>Class K</b>			
John Gordon	5	0	27.2%
Gene Satterstrom	4	1	15.6%
John Resch	3	2	16%

<b>Class L</b>			
John Phoenix	5	0	9.6%
Julie Paulson	3.5	2.5	5.2%
Kevin Aarstad	2.5	3.5	6.8%





**Bring A Jr Tournament Results**

March 3, 2012 28-12-004

**Class A**

Gunnar David	4	1	29.3%
Daniel Lessman			32.67%
Tim Lazaris	4	1	29%
Jim Haupt			26.67%
Ken Heinritz	3	2	56.6%
Jonothon Kuchda			1.33%



**Class B**

Kevin Brekke	4	1	27.3%
Mac McKenzie			12%
Kari David	4	1	18.6%
Steve Lazaris			8%
Ray Groskinsky	3	2	36%
Mike Groskinsky			4%



**Class C**

Walt Houck	5	0	27.3%
John Phoenix			11.33%
Rick Swan	3	2	34%
Luke Appleberg			2.67%
Jim Huckabee	3	2	31.3%
Jayne Phoenix			3.33%



**Class D**

Wayne Goers	3.4	2.5	15%
Kaylee Goers			.83%
John Resch	3.2	2.5	9.1%
Kyle Resch			4.17%
Ron Ramquist	3	3	15%
Alex Brown			3.33%



**Bring A Pal Tournament Results**

March 4, 2012 Unsanctioned

**Class A**

Steve Miller	6	0	58.33%
Don Illgen			45.83%
James Gaspers	5	1	22.5%
Dave Nieldsopal			35.83%
Linda Hyncar	4	2	30.83%
Bill Lastewicz			30.83%



Class C Champs

**Class B**

Bob Johnson	5	1	19.17%
Pete Ploss			42.5%
John Wilson	4	2	20%
Dale Wilhite			20%
Steve Kampmier	3.5	2.5	26.67%
Perry Eden			8.33%



Class D Champs

**Class C**

Jerry Smith	4	1	41%
Ken Beebe Jr			14%
Thomas Wasberg	4	1	23%
Jim Mazan			20%
Scott Linhart	3	2	27%
Carolyn Grampo			9%

**Class D**

Jason Wrage	5	1	17.5%
Todd Anderson			13.33%
Ron Ramquist	4	2	17.5%
Mike Brown			5%
Julie Petrovski	4	2	13.33%
Roger Kirby			1.67%

**Update on Summer Badger Games**

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The schedule will be finalized 10 days before the tournament. You will need to check on-line for your pitching time. No schedules will be sent out. The day of computer registration has arrived.

**Note:** The on-line registration as of 3/9/12 is not available. They are still in the process of setting this all up. I would suggest checking back in a few weeks.

I will be in Beloit on May 5<sup>th</sup> and May 6<sup>th</sup> to answer any questions you may have, or feel free to call me at (715) 693-1199.

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Above: 'Bring A Junior' Class B  
Below: 'Bring A Junior' Class C





## Kamps Kovered Courts – Combined Locks

By, Jerry Kamps & Jane Smith

Jerry Kamps sent history of the Combined Locks – Kamps Kovered Courts. Gene Mason is the historian for the club and shared information with Jerry who sent it to the WHNL. One of the most interesting facts of this club is that the club, in 1967, was the first to host a state tournament besides Milwaukee. They have also hosted the State event in four other years – 1969, 1973, 1976, and 1979. The Club also is proud of its four WHPA Hall of Fame Members: Jerry Kamps, Cy and Wally Srenaski and Ann Opsteen – the very first lady inducted into the WHPA Hall of Fame.

Horseshoe pitching began in combined Locks in 1960 on one sand court at Jerry Kamps' Bar. More courts were added over the years and in 1971 a steel roof was installed over the eight clay courts and was renamed "Kamps Kovered Courts." A chain link fence and cement walkways were also added. The original organizers of the club were Bob Vanden Boogart, Robert Laha, Jerry Kamps and John Rietveld.



The courts are used Monday through Thursday evenings with a variety of horseshoe games being played: mixed couples count-all; senior couple count-all; 50 shoe Men's teams; and a league of count-all. Each week horseshoe players gather to pitch their ringers, discuss the good and not so good shoes over a glass of beer. These leagues feature "exquisite" camaraderie which is thoroughly enjoyed forever!

The club hosts the "Mid East Open Tournament" annually with John Rietveld tournament director for 30 years. Rosemary Kamps has since taken over the directorship. This event has drawn quality pitchers from all over the state (some who have since passed away but are remembered): Tomy Bartlen, Ed Schimek, Wally Saeger, Carl Joppe, Bill Glass, Ralph Maylahn, Don Kangas, Gert Wilcziek, Mer

Sorenson, Phyliss David, All Seemann and Al Leintz.

Thanks to the Combined Locks horseshoe pitchers for their dedication to the WHPA as one of the oldest, established clubs. They invite pitchers to their tournament, Lox Classic, on July 8.

## Happy Birthday Anno

By, Jim Haupt

The first lady to be nominated to the WHPA Hall of Fame, Ann Opsteen, is celebrating her 90th birthday.

She started pitching horseshoes at Kamps Kourts, across the street from the Opsteen house in Combined Locks.

She and her late husband, John, raised five sons and three daughters. Wonder how many grandchildren are saying, "Happy Birthday, Grandma."

Although a 50% pitcher, she made her mark as a willing organizer serving the Locks Club as an officer and directing the WHPA Hall of Fame as chairlady for about a decade and since its beginning in 1976.

AnnO's year of entry to the Hall of Fame was 1983, ancient history. Harold Bestul won the men's that year in Eau Claire, Shary Klopp, the women's.

There's still time to create a card shower. Her day is Easter Sunday, the 8th of April.

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## Spring Meeting

By, Staff

The WHPA Spring Meeting is experimenting with a new date—Saturday, May 5 after the Club Team tournament concludes in Beloit. It is hoped that we will have a greater number of WHPA members wanting to share in the progress of the WHPA. Items of business include an update from acting Regional Director (RD) Jim Haupt, an appointment of the new RD, announcement of the 2012 Hall of Fame inductee, discussion of the two new committees to be established, the necessity of a qualified CPR person at tournaments and WHPA events. Plan to attend and voice your opinions.

## For Sale or Lease

Anybody interested in making the NHPA Mini Silhouettes, contact Rudy VanFleet (address on page 3). \$20 for patterns. Can be seen decorating the Deansville Horseshoe barn.



**Get Involved!**

By, Jane Smith

Each member of the WHPA is invited to be part of the movers and shakers of the association. As a result of the Executive Board meeting held in February, it was decided to create two committees to help promote horseshoes throughout the state. The committees and responsibilities are listed below. If you are interested in working on one or both of the committees or would like to be the Chair Person, please contact our President, Glenn Bogenschneider.

There are also three WHPA offices up for election this Fall: 1st VP, 3rd VP and Secretary - Treasurer. Their job descriptions have been updated since the 2010 Edition of the WHPA Constitution and By-Laws.

If you have any questions feel free to contact any of our officers. If they do not know the answer to your question, they will know where to find it!

**Membership Committee Responsibilities**

- 1) Form a committee
- 2) Develop contacts in the community
- 3) Do mailings, personal contacts, etc.
- 4) Monitor tournament and sanction league participation
- 5) Answer questions and concerns
- 6) Communicate benefits of a WHPA membership
- 7) Work with publicity committee
- 8) Assist the Executive Board as needed

**Publicity Committee Responsibilities**

- 1) Form a committee
- 2) Develop informational materials that promote horseshoe pitching and the WHPA
- 3) Make available promo materials; such as decals, cups, etc.
- 4) Work with membership committee to enhance the WHPA
- 5) Assist the Executive Board as needed

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President**

- 1) Same duties as President but assumes only in the absence of the President
- 2) Carry out specific duties assigned by the President
- 3) Keep statistics for the Pitcher of the Year Award
- 4) Determine the Most Improved Pitcher from State tournament averages
- 5) Promote the sport of horseshoe pitching

**3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President - Junior Scholarship Director**

- 1) Custodian of scholarship funds
- 2) Manage dispersement of scholarships when criteria is met
- 3) State contact for Junior Promotions & WHPA
- 4) Maintain WI state raffle license/report annually
- 5) Create/assist with fund raising efforts to build scholarship fund
- 6) Assist state functions (i.e. state tournaments)
- 7) Promote the sport of horseshoe pitching

**Secretary – Treasurer**

- 1. Custodian of funds
- 2. Sign all expenditures
- 3. Keep financial records
- 4. Take minutes of meetings
- 5. Submit tournament results to Natstats
- 6. Record all income from tournaments stats
- 7. Issue member cards
- 8. Issue patch to all new members
- 9. Send list of new members to WHNL
- 10. Keep record of years of membership
- 11. Set the #1 Wisconsin team for Team World
- 12. Receive entries for State Doubles
- 13. Receive entries for State tournament.
- 14. Record and send end-of-year averages to WHNL for printing
- 15. Issue a copy of NHPA insurance to clubs that require it
- 16. Fill out and send in end-of-year membership to NHPA



Your executive board—Jimmy Paulson, Glenn Bogenschneider, Sonia Cook, Jane Smith—sharing ideas and preparing for a busy 2012 horseshoe season. Feel free to share your ideas as many minds can create endless possibilities and progress is the result!



By, Jane Smith

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### Pitcher of the Year Update

With results of 20 of 21 tournaments recorded, the race for Pitcher of the Year is close in all Divisions. There are still many tournaments to be held over the summer that will change the standings. Listed in alphabetical order are the contenders at this point. Division A: Gunnar David, Jim Haupt, Galen Kozel, Mike McLinn, Kerry Morris, Randy Rein. Division B: Kevin Brekke, Russ Burns, Kari David, John Garvan, Linda Roeber, Jim Tollefson. Division C: Mike Lange, Steven Lazaris, Rondi Mengelt, John Resch, Gene Satterstrom, John Secord, Tom Steinke, Ed Weisnewski. Good luck and wishing everyone lots of ringers!

### What's New?

2012 promises to be a fun-filled year. Your Executive board met in February to gather thoughts and ideas to help promote horseshoes in Wisconsin. A new facility in the Milwaukee area, The Horny Goat, is interested and will host a non-sanctioned event in April; Rome, WI is putting 12-16 courts in their campground this spring. Their goal is to host the State tournament! Badger State games is adding horseshoes to their summer events; Wausau Sports Authority (Visitors and Tourism Bureau) has submitted a bid for the 2014 World Tournament! Our website is also getting a new look. These are just a few of the exciting events to get involved with the coming year. Thanks goes to Glenn Bogenschneider, Jimmy Paulson, Terry Sternberg, Randy and Marge Rein as instigators in these new projects.

The WHPA team for the Team World competition is made up of Gert Wilcziek, Pam Aiken, Martin Papesh and Ken Heinritz. This is a fun tournament as demonstrated by several additional Wisconsin teams who have left their mark on this tournament. If you do not want to pitch in it, try to make the trip to Beloit to watch some of the best horseshoe pitchers pitch ringers. There have been perfect games pitched at this event!

### Our Horseshoe Family

We do have several of our horseshoe members whose families are battling health issues. Cancer and other illnesses are not particular who they choose. We are all victims in some way. Special prayers and thoughts hopefully can touch the lives of the Heinritz, McKinney, Davis, Garvan, Carley, Stevens, Sorenson, Secord, and Zdroik families.

Special sympathy to the Klipstein, Kangas, Laws, Ferguson, and Bigfire families for the loss of their loved ones.

Want to stay up to date on horseshoes? Subscribe to the WHPA email bulletin. Simply send a blank email to: [whpa\\_bulletin\\_subscribe@yahoo.com](mailto:whpa_bulletin_subscribe@yahoo.com) It's easy and free! Be sure to let your friends and neighbors know!

### Thanks!

Several surveys have been returned as well as several new subscriptions for the WHNL. Please visit our web site to complete the survey online or complete the paper copy sent to WHPA members—past, present and future. Your ideas and input can help guide the Executive board and committees in making decisions that benefit our membership.