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The Newsletter Colors for 2026 are inspired by the new NHPA Patches — gray, red, black, white.

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**The 2026 World Horseshoe Tournament is Coming to Wausau!**  
We're excited to welcome the 2026 World Horseshoe Tournament to **Wausau, Wisconsin**, happening **July 13–26, 2026** at the **Greenheck Turner Community Center** (<https://gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/>)!

Stay up to date, ask questions, and join the conversation in our Facebook group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/778724505219956>

Questions or comments are also welcome—feel free to contact a World Committee member:

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We can't wait to see competitors and fans from around the world in Wausau! 

# World Horseshoe Planning Committee

## **January 23 at Greenheck Turner Community Center**

Members from the World Horseshoe Planning Committee visited this morning in preparation for the summer tournament on July 13-26, 2026!

Wausau, Weston, Schofield, Rothschild, Mosinee, Rib Mountain, and the Central WI area is excited to host this event.



### **National Officers with our own Sonia Cook and Tim White**

*Left to Right:*

**Aleena Lepak**, Jr. Director, World Committee member; **Austin Bailey**, 1st VP—Sponsorship/GRS, Grievance Director; **Jerry LaBrosse**, 3rd VP—Rules/Bylaws Director, World Tournament Set-up/Maintenance; **Dalton Rakestraw**, 2nd VP—Publicity Promotion, World Tournament Coordinator; **Barbara Carson**, 4th VP—Regional Director Administrator, Sanction League Director; **Brian Poole**, Secretary/Treasurer; **Tim White**—Executive Director Wausau Visitor Bureau; **Sonia Cook**, Wisconsin State 3rd VP, World Committee member.

If you are planning on coming to the World Tournament in Wausau this Summer,  
you can get the latest news on the Tournament and meet the Planning  
Committee at the Spring Meeting. All are welcome!

## **WHPA State Spring Meeting at Delton Sportsmen's Club**

**E9602 Berry Rd, Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965**

**Saturday, April 18, 2026**

**Meeting starts at 1 pm**

## 2026 WHPA Schedule

Date	Tournament	Location	Max	Entry	Deadline	Contact
Feb 7-8	Deansville Memorial	Deansville	40	20	Feb 1	Dobie Gutweiler
Feb 14-15 	Valentines Tournament	Beloit	72	20	Feb 5	Dan Newkirk
Feb 21	Deansville/Beloit Challenge	Beloit				Club Event
Feb 28	Bring a Junior (Cancelled)	Beloit	-	10	Feb 19	Dan Newkirk
Feb 28	Time for another FIREBALL	Wonewoc		20	Feb 14	Jill Peterson
Mar 7-8	Klash with Kerry	Deansville	40	20	Mar 1	Dobie Gutweiler
Mar 14-15	March with Penny	Beloit	72	20	Mar 5	Dan Newkirk
Mar 28-29	Birthday Bash 	Wonewoc	42	20	Mar 15	Dave Volz
April 4	Red Ferguson Classic	Beloit	72	20	Mar 26	Dan Newkirk
April 18	WHPA Spring Meeting (1 pm) 	Wisconsin Dells				
April 25-26	April Showers	Chetek	16	10	April 20	Les Karpel
May 2	Pre World Singles tournament (Men, Women, Elder, Jr/Cadet Classes)	Beloit		25	April 15	Dave Volz
May 3	WHPA Walking Doubles	Beloit		40	April 15	John Secord
May 9 	Beloit Encore	Beloit	72	20	May 2	Dan Newkirk
May 9 	Eau Claire Early Bird	Eau Claire	64	10	May 2	Paul Wiese
May 15, 16, 17	Team World	Beloit		200	April 10	Jeff Secord
May 16	Butternut Open	Butternut		20	May 9	Jer Wegner
May 23-24	Stevens Point Open	Stevens Point	48	20	May 16	Fred Lane
May 30	Algoma Open	Algoma		20	May 23	Duane Kinjerski
June 6	Wolf River Open 	New London	48	20	May 23	Ken Jaeger
June 6-7	Spring Fling	Beloit	72	20	May 27	Dan Newkirk
June 7	Eau Claire Open	Eau Claire	64	20	May 30	Paul Wiese
June 13	Whiskey Ranch Open	Delevan	32	20	June 6	Gena Quaid
June 13-14	Eagle River Open	Eagle River	32	20	June 6	Cliff Erickson
June 20	Sylvia & Dan David Memorial	Rozellville		20	June 13	Mel Cook
June 20	Muskego Open	Muskego	28	20	June 13	Tom Steinke
June 27-28	Ken Kosky Memorial	Mosinee	80	20	June 17	Kent Frailing
June 27-28	Ken Lovaas Memorial	Beloit	72	20	June 20	Dan Newkirk
July 4 	The Patriot	Beloit	48	20	June 25	Dan Newkirk
July 4	Riverfront Rendezvous Singles	Stevens Point	24	20	June 27	Fred Lane
July 5	Platteville Open	Platteville	36	16	June 28	Mark Mauthe
July 11 	2025 WT Warm-Up	Wausau	?	25	July 11	Sign-up 8-9 am
July 13-25 	World Tournament	Wausau, WI			May 18	
July 25	Pioneer Days	Butternut	28	20	July 18	Jer Wegner
July 31	WHPA Singles Entry Deadline 					
Aug 1	Algoma Summer Classic	Algoma		20	July 25	Duane Kinjerski
Aug 1	Holmen Open	Holmen	36	20	July 25	Rich Brockway
Aug 8	Rozellville Tourney	Rozellville		20	Aug 1	Mike Berdan
Aug 8	Whiskey Ranch Classic	Delevan	32	20	Aug 1	Gena Quaid
Aug 11	Dave and John Memorial	Eau Claire		20	Aug 2	Paul Wiese
Aug 15	Fond du Lac Open	Fond du Lac			Aug 8	John Meyer
Aug 16	FDL Team	Fond du Lac	10	54	Aug 1	Jeff Secord
Aug 22-23	Pitch Out Cancer 	Mosinee	80	20	Aug 16	Kent Frailing
Aug 29-30	Warm Up	Beloit	72	20	Aug 19	Dan Newkirk

Date	Tournament	Location	Max	Entry	Deadline	Contact
Sept 5-6	WHPA State Singles	Beloit			July 31	John Secord
Sept 12	Wet N Wild	Centuria		20	Sept 5	Toni Sloper
Sept 19	Arkdale Doubles	Arkdale	16	22	Sept 12	Jill Peterson
Sept 19	Earl Paulson Classic	Beloit	54	20	Sept 9	Dan Newkirk
Sept 20	Don Goldsmith Doubles	Beloit		22	Sept 9	Dan Newkirk
Sept 27	Kickapoo Valley Open	Gays Mills	36	20	Sept 20	Russ Brockway
Oct 3-4	Deansville Singles	Deansville	40	20	Sept 27	Dobie Gutweiler
Oct 10-11 	October Fall Singles	Beloit	72	20	Oct 1	Dan Newkirk
Oct 17	WHPA Fall Meeting (1 pm)	Wisconsin Dells				
Oct 24-25	Summit Ridge Spooktacular 	Wonewoc	48	20	Oct 10	Dave Volz
Oct 31-Nov 1	Deansville Doubles 	Deansville	16	22	Oct 24	Dobie Gutweiler
Nov 7-8	Autumn Harvest 	Beloit	72	20	Oct 28	Dan Newkirk
Nov 28-29	Deansville Open	Deansville	40	20	Nov 21	Dobie Gutweiler
Dec 5-6 	Snowflake 	Beloit	72	20	Nov 25	Dan Newkirk
Dec 12-13	Ho Ho Horseshoe Tournament	Wonewoc	42	20	Nov 28	Dave Volz

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## WHPA President — Dobie Gutweiler



Hello to my Facebook family.

As I write this it is -8 degrees outside but I am feeling quite warm. I had a package of fruit delivered from the beautiful Jane Smith. It warms my soul. Isn't she just the most amazing person? What would I do without her? I hope I never find out.

I am also warmed thinking about Ray Grosinsky and Jeff Gustafson. Recently we joined a committee to help a young couple we don't know, Jeremy & Billi Smith. We have never met them, but they are a part of this amazing horseshoe family, and together with Rickey Muter and Cindy Dodson Rose, we helped them as best we could. I love that camaraderie. I love that teamwork.

As we are all preparing to host the 2026 World Horseshoe Pitching Tournament, I have been amazed by the teamwork and accomplishments of our World Tournament Committee. We owe a huge thank you to Kent Frailing, Sonia Cook, Aleena Lepak, Dustin Duerr and David Volz. These people have put in so much time and effort into making sure that this tournament is one that people will never forget.

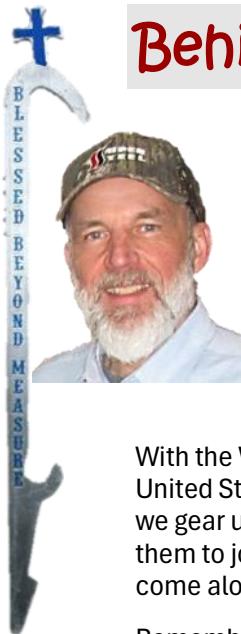
Pretty soon that committee will be reaching out for volunteers to help make this tournament great. Volunteers are needed from set up to tear down. They need people, and many people, every day of the tournament. At the WHPA Spring Meeting on April 18<sup>th</sup> there will be sign-up sheets and people available to answer your questions. PLEASE plan on making this meeting. It's important that this family work together to make it great.

Lastly, I want to reach out and hug every one of you that has asked about my family situation right now with my father and brother. It's challenging, and there has been a lot more crying than laughing in my life that past few months, but you all make it better, especially my prayer team, Ken Heinritz, Bob Klingaman and Kevin Brekke. When it's overwhelming me, any one of them will always answer my distress call. I love them for that.

Until I see you again.

Thank you, Miss you, Love you,  
Dobie

## Behind the Mask ... With NHPA Chaplain Ken Heinritz



A new year for many means a new start, new ideas, new vacations, new excitement, and of course new goals. There is nothing wrong with any of these! But let's not forget about the 'old', what we've already established. Perhaps it's like adding to what has been built.

The Bible speaks of faith as the foundation of our lives. Faith is the starting point, the gift of believing in God. It's the rock on which we stand. But then we ought to add on to that foundation. It's like supplementing our belief in God with convictions and actions that back up our faith. We demonstrate what we believe. Moral excellence, inner strength and good character are a model to others. There should be a quality about us, of habitually doing what is right. Perfection ... oh no! That's impossible. But we strive to attain it.

With the World Tournament coming to our great state, we will have an opportunity to show the rest of the United States what 'northern' hospitality is all about. Our actions will give others a window into our hearts. As we gear up for this great event, it's time to reach out to friends, neighbors, children and grandchildren & invite them to join us in this 'new' and exciting event that we call the World Tournament. Opportunities like this don't come along very often!

Remember, if you are a Christian you are BLESSED BEYOND MEASURE!!

*"For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love.*

*For it you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*But whoever does not have them is nearsighted and blind..." Romans 6:23*

## What's New?

By Jane Smith



John Secord reports there are no new WHPA members since our last WHNL issue. At this point we only have 160 WHPA 2026 members as compared to 2025 end of year membership of 330. Delegate numbers are based on end of year membership.

**Awesomeness, Earth Shattering, Mind Boggling** might be a few words to describe pitching in the World Tournament. This experience is addicting; the friends one meets are lifetime and the camaraderie is unbelievable. Classes are close with 16 pitchers in a class. Competition is enhanced and focused. Wisconsin has for many years made quite an impression on the WT scene. We are a state of leaders and pitchers of great talent. To be part of this experience once, twice, ten or more times makes one smile as good times are remembered. If a person wins a trophy or money their first tournament, there is a bit more incentive to return. Different sites each year gives opportunity to see the USA. We had a group of ladies from MN and WI that traveled for 30 years to the WT. We kept a journal, which Penny Steinke made into a book for us. We have fond memories of travel, pitching and friendships from this event. If you are undecided to attend or not. **GO, PITCH & HAVE FUN.** It will be extremely memorable.

Our outdoor season is soon approaching but indoor tournaments have given WHPA members extra practice for the WT in Wausau in July. Participate in tournaments when your schedule allows.

As usual, we have WHPA members facing life challenges daily. Extra prayers, positive vibes with occasional cards, emails, phone calls can make their day. We are blessed with the **BEST** friends in the world.

## World Tournament Update

By Sonia Cook

The WHPA World Tournament Committee has been busy breaking the tournament into pieces to manage. We will up-date and present at the spring meeting in April.

Ideas to make this tournament more fun should be sent to any of us. (**Kent Frailing, Sonia Cook, Dustin Duerr, Aleena Lepak, Dave Volz**).

- Kent and Dustin are planning with the NHPA for an organized layout, set-up, tournament clean-up, and take down of the court areas.
- Kent, Dobie, and Dustin created a Facebook page to promote the world tournament and in the first week has earned a new WHPA member.
- Aleena has many options for the Junior Meet & Greet, and the Sunday Junior Party.
- Sonia is working on projects including the pitcher bags, registration table, and vendor areas.
- Dave is staying warm working remotely assisting all committee members.

The "Visit Wausau" group is designing the event programs. Ad sales and promotion ideas are welcome.



# Team World Earl Paulson Award

By Jeff Secord



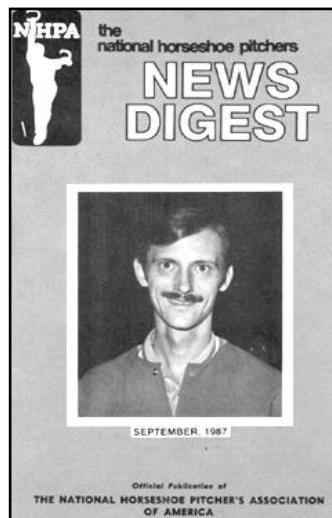
**Earl Paulson** became the face of Team World as soon as the tournament moved from the Pitchin' Palace in Sturtevant, WI to Telfer Park in Beloit, WI in 1990. Earl was tournament director for Team World from 1990 through the 2018 tournament. Over those 29 years Earl motivated club members to help with

Telfer Park setup & teardown, recruiting sponsors to add prize money and promoted the event at local and national tournaments. Earl was available at the courts the entire weekend for each of those 29 years. He always stayed calm and was able to manage just about anything that would need attention. However, he did make people nervous if he started to approach them as they felt certain that he was coming to recruit a scorekeeper.

2019 marked the year that Earl was able to sit back and enjoy Team World while letting others take the reigns and pressure of running the event. Some members of the Team World Committee put together a plan to give Earl public recognition and a big Thank You for all his work and success with Team World. Earl was brought out to the courts at a shift change to try to allow as many as possible to be near the courts to join in on celebrating his many years of dedication as the leader of Team World. The ceremony ended with a loud and lengthy ovation from the crowd. We didn't know it at the time, but that moment was the last time Earl would be attending Team World. COVID-19 caused us to cancel Team World in 2020, and Earl ended up passing away on March 11, 2021, at the age of 91. We were so thankful that we had the opportunity to give Earl recognition in person in 2019.

The Beloit Club and the Team World Committee were so thankful to have had the opportunity to show Earl our appreciation for all he did for the Beloit Club and Team World that the Committee decided to create a memorial award and present it to people that have been among the best in either pitching at Team World or contributing to the event.

The first Earl Paulson award was presented to **Dale Lipovsky** of Minnesota. No one has won more Team World titles (9), pitched in more years (29), or thrown as many ringers (15,368) as Dale did in his Team World pitching career. Dale can also claim some responsibility for Team



Congratulations to 9-Time Team World Champion Dale Lipovsky 2022 Recipient of the Earl Paulson Team World Award



TEAM WORLD MAY 2019

**COVER PICTURE** ... After being absent from the World Championship scene for a time, Dale Lipovsky of Bloomington, Minnesota, came back strong to regain the World title which he held in earlier years. He posted 29 wins and losing two games averaging 82.2 percent for the 21 games.

World even existing as he had introduced Tom Roenhouse (owner of the Pitchin' Palace) to Bob Fanjoy of Hamilton, Ontario at the World Tournament in Huntsville, Alabama in 1984. That meeting led to the first Canadian-American Friendship Open in February of 1985.

Dale decided to skip Team World in 2022, but we went ahead and publicly recognized him without his presence.

**Charlie Webb** was also honored with the Earl Paulson award in 2022. Charlie's Illinois team was the last team to win Team World with four 40-ft pitchers in 1988. Charlie was rather calm during the ceremony, but he was deeply moved when he saw the reaction of the crowd as he received the award. It was truly a great moment and one that we love to repeat each year by presenting the Earl Paulson award in front of a large audience.



The award went to **Sue Snyder** (posthumously) from Indiana and Kentucky, in 2023. Sue holds the highest career ringer percentage among all women pitchers that have pitched more than 7 Team World tournaments. Sue's 15-year career ringer percentage of 72.79% is still #1 in this category.



**Alan Francis** from Missouri and Ohio also received the award that year. Alan holds the highest career ringer percentage among any pitcher that has played in Team World more than twice. Alan currently has an 82.03% career average across

12 Team World events. He has won many awards in his illustrious career, but he does hold Team World as special event. Alan had pitched many perfect games in his career. This includes pitching one at Team World in 2003. I asked Alan if he remembered that game. He replied that he sure did and turned around and pointed at the court he pitched it on and

remembered that he pitched it against Edi Holland from Minnesota. He could even recall 20 years later that she was mad that he pitched it against her.



**Paul LaCrosse** from Colorado was the first to receive the award in 2024. Paul was part of six Colorado teams that won the Team World title. Paul was well known for his entrances at Telfer Park. He often showed up carrying the traveling trophy and wearing his Bermuda shorts, high stockings and his hat. Paul's health had recently deteriorated so he was not able to travel to receive the award in person, but the award and handwritten well-wishes were sent to Paul and his wife.

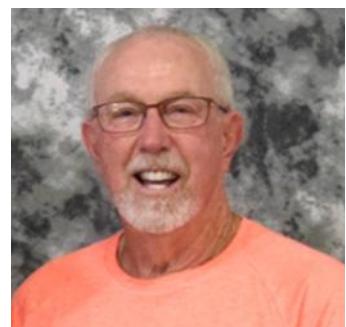
**Penny Steinke** also received the award in 2024. Penny's Wisconsin teams were on a 4-year-in-a-row streak when she received the award. She appreciated receiving the award, but she would have been even happier if Missouri didn't win one of the most competitive finals round games against Wisconsin at the end of that weekend.



**Bev Nathe** from Minnesota was selected to get the award in 2025. Bev was on seven of the nine Minnesota teams that won Team World. Bev's Minnesota teams finished at least in third place in 16 of the 19 years that she competed in Team World. She also pitched the highest average (79.88%) on

the team that holds the highest Team percentage in Team World history (74.19% in 1999). Surprisingly, that team finished in second place. I explained to Bev on a phone call that she would be receiving the award and told her that she didn't need to come all the way to Beloit to accept it. She replied, "Not so fast." She would work on getting a ride because she wanted to see everyone again. We ended up talking for almost an hour. That ride didn't work out but we again went forward with the presentation ceremony without the recipient present. I called her after I sent the award to make sure that she received it. She replied that she took it to her weekly sewing group and showed it off to the other ladies. She was very proud to get the award.

**J.D. Drake** from Michigan also received the award in 2025. J.D. was the first to be recognized for his accomplishments at Team World as an elders' division pitcher. J.D.'s Michigan teams placed 5<sup>th</sup> or higher in 9 of the 12 years he has pitched, including winning Team World in 2017 and having the highest average in the tournament in 2018.



Each year we look forward to honoring people that have earned the opportunity to be recognized for their accomplishments at Team World. The list of names that have been awarded the Earl Paulson Team World award is quite impressive and should continue to grow with more outstanding people that have been a part of Team World as the years add on. The 2026 Team World will be the 40<sup>th</sup> Team World tournament. There is no doubt that this will be another good tournament.

## 2025 Year End Averages

Name, Average, Number of Tournaments

Women		
Aleena Lepak	77.49	7
Penny Steinke	76.21	24
Sarah Chaffee	69.61	5
Mona Lane	65.10	16
Donna Berquam	59.03	6
Tammy Newkirk	57.06	20
Pam Aiken	52.40	3
Linda Aarstad	51.55	10
Jill Peterson	44.26	20
Cindy Castellano	41.48	8
Melanie Kasun	40.48	9
Kalena Quaid	38.79	12
Toni Sloper	38.11	6
Kim Peterson	37.97	7
Brenda Weiler	37.86	3
Paula Kobelman	36.62	3
Nancy Murleau	36.61	8
Alicia Gerlach	36.49	3
Lillyan Cook	35.99	8
Kailee Grob	33.21	4
Tonya Kaulum	33.16	5
Debby Schell-Kotnik	32.10	2
Brenda Price	31.62	9
Rayna Bauer	30.83	6
Sandra Balz	28.75	1
Tava Cook	27.21	4
Rondi Mengelt	27.09	7
Dawn Twing	26.81	4
Amy Mabry	26.07	6
Lori Schumann	24.59	3
Marna Galvan	24.18	10
Cathy Cravey	23.50	2
Barb Pederson	21.39	2
Leslie Mitchell	21.22	9
Emily Schumann	18.05	2
Dobie Gutweiler	17.69	6
Terri White	14.17	1
Kim Briggs	12.46	3
Kim Weller	11.15	3
Barb Ramquist	7.90	2
Danielle Spurling	7.38	2
Sheila Volz	7.37	8
Valerie Monthie	4.48	3
Angela Bisch	2.55	2
Jillian Jordan	2.00	1

Men		
John Nawrot	59.02	4
Jim Larson	56.67	8
Zak Schwartz	56.52	8
Dean Chaffee	50.83	6
Mike Cone	50.00	1
Tory Jeske	49.26	3
Dean Groshek	48.60	7
Rich Peterson	47.42	8
Justin Schultz	46.97	8
Steve Schwartz	45.60	1
Jarrod Bisch	41.40	7
Ken Heinritz	41.40	6
Dustin Duerr	39.64	11
Alvin Schultz	39.39	5
Tim Fox	39.11	2
Russ Brockway	38.53	6
Dan Sheehan	36.77	6
Brad Behm	36.67	1
Dan Williams	36.28	3
Dave Quaid	35.37	32
Dominic Saxby	34.81	8
Kent Frailing	33.70	10
Gary Wegner	33.29	3
Dan Nalepinski	32.85	6
Michael Benzing Jr	31.93	4
Tim Sheehan	31.92	6
Hank Schoenbeck	31.90	10
Tim Rietmann	31.81	3
Ryan Zoellner	31.52	3
Jay Jochimsen	31.31	4
Jer Wegner	30.41	2
Patrick Labarge	30.00	16
Gary Volz	29.38	6
Ed Pulsfus	29.02	7
Sean Shopinski	28.80	1
Carl Stuhr	28.24	6
Eric Vandusen	27.33	1
Dennis Marquardt	27.06	5
Robert Reinhart	26.67	2
Kim Hinze	26.37	6
Wally Schmitt	26.35	3
Duane Kinjerski	26.31	7
Caven Boggess	26.12	7

Glen Spies	26.07	5
Mark Trepanier	26.05	4
Rich Brockway	25.88	15
Todd Thomason	25.82	4
Russ Kozlowski	25.78	7
Michael Maly	25.54	3
Greg Hehling	25.38	2
Mark Labarge	25.09	6
Steve Kilian	25.00	2
Brandon Kinjerski	24.93	6
Steve Amundson	24.58	1
Paul Wiese	24.00	6
Ed Leverty	23.42	1
Stan Fox	22.62	3
Thaddeus Monthie	21.72	9
Ernie Meinen	21.64	2
Mike Ezell	21.23	3
Brandon Peckham	21.18	2
Jeff Christopherson	21.17	2
Lambert Narlock II	21.00	1
Scott Peckham	20.89	2
Guy Fleming Jr	20.56	16
Chad Volz	19.83	3
Dan Elpert	19.50	2
Michael Sheehan	19.32	5
Steve Hauger	19.27	1
Zak Rodriguez	19.17	1
Ivan Mitchell	18.86	7
Jim Fochs	18.77	4
Scott Linhart	18.62	5
Fred Lane	18.31	13
Glen Brandemuehl	18.00	2
Dan Newkirk	17.59	24
James Wicklander	17.50	1
Brian Kasun	17.26	8
Bruce Weiler	17.14	5
Scott Jones	17.08	2
Kevin Aarstad	16.61	6
Mike Berdan	16.21	3
Sam Woolsey	16.19	9
Jeff Bender	16.15	1
Emilio Castro	16.03	4
Rich Alt	16.00	1

## 2025 Year End Averages

Name, Average, Number of Tournaments

Brian Engleson	15.98	5
Barry Haff	15.94	4
Bryce Duerst	15.20	1
Gene Friede	14.58	1
Joe Zwifelhofer	13.65	4
Jeremy Studinski	13.00	8
Justin Mabry	12.93	6
Alex Secord	12.67	1
Luke Fochs	12.53	4
Brandon Chrouser	12.50	1
Dennis Bach	11.33	2
Casey Groessl	10.80	1
Jason Harper	10.71	5
Jack Zane II	10.00	1
Jason Goldsmith	9.33	1
Fred Heidmann II	9.06	4
Brian Walsh	8.36	4
Nathan Marquardt	7.83	1
Chris Holzman	7.78	1
Scott Dennee	6.96	3
Jestin Delap	6.89	2
Alec Marquardt	6.43	5
Chuck Wagner	6.11	1
Luke Lundquist	5.89	4
Don McKain	5.78	2
John Elliott	5.77	5
Kyle Lynn	5.75	4
Patrick Kaczor	5.46	1
Dennis Schreck	5.24	2
Al Babiak	4.96	1
Erik Anderson	4.49	2
Zach Secord	4.34	2
Dan Johnston	3.80	2
Damien Werlein	3.21	3
Will Fillback	2.87	3
Jake Nahorniak	1.78	1
<b>Junior Girls</b>		
Sequoia Wiese	12.84	5
Josie Boehm	6.05	5
Zoey James	1.56	2
<b>Junior Boys</b>		
Blake Benzing	49.18	5
Bradley Benzing	48.78	4
Aiden Weller	22.20	6
Jett Jones	16.07	1
Conner Kildahl	15.72	3
Hunter Mccrossen	11.00	1

Ryan Neuens	8.85	1
Micah Neuens	4.69	1
Reace Weller	2.50	1
Parker Lammers	1.20	1
<b>Elder Women</b>		
Susie Erickson	48.10	12
Kathy Fleege	37.69	20
Jane Smith	35.62	8
Sonia Cook	29.32	3
Mary Ann Kouba	18.75	7
Mary Sue Morris	18.13	1
Gloria Smith	6.48	1
Carol Zervic	4.97	1
<b>Elder Men</b>		
Cliff Shave	71.36	26
Jim Bilderback	69.95	24
Rich Bonner	67.42	22
Ken Jaeger Sr	67.23	16
John Meyer	67.06	22
Jeff Gustafson	65.94	19
Randy Rein	62.39	1
Eugene Pribnow	61.07	25
Rich Callaway	59.30	16
Cliff Erickson	59.26	15
Ken Whitehouse	55.76	19
Rick Weller	55.28	14
George Moraza	54.12	9
Ray Groskinsky	53.94	23
Bernard Carley	52.33	11
Steve Wiegert	51.79	7
Dick Perkins	51.49	12
Les Karpiel	51.27	11
Bob Fleege	51.20	33
Dave Pasholk	50.71	6
Roger Poutanen	49.58	10
John Drexler	49.51	7
Dan Bloom	49.28	23
Jerry Oleskow	48.75	1
John Wallace	48.55	4
Ben Kinjerski	48.15	5
Kerry Morris	47.06	20
Glenn Schultz	46.94	8
Steven Grob	46.47	5
Joe Koch	46.25	3
Jeffery Madison	46.15	15

Kevin Hellenbrand	46.05	7
Randy Mitchell	45.45	16
Robert Conachen	44.62	12
Ray Cayer	43.89	2
Joe Mccrossen	43.68	4
Rowen Swick	43.64	9
Paul Henning	43.48	16
Fred Eisele	43.08	3
Mark Rice	42.74	14
Doug Bakkum	42.21	4
Joe Steinbach	42.21	5
Donald Lammers	42.19	5
Dave Volz	41.61	20
Andrew Lenzen	41.50	1
Dan Jury	41.20	6
Mike Slowinski	40.44	12
Mike Carlson	40.36	5
Norm Gage	40.00	1
Ron Studinski	39.91	19
Marvin Mengel	39.61	10
Michael Benzing Sr	38.81	5
Steve Kulow	38.62	13
Bruce McLinn	38.46	7
Greg Kinjerski	38.02	5
Jim Alf	37.70	7
Ralph Marthaler	37.67	11
Dennis Wegner	37.54	3
Joel Ramsdell	37.43	13
Wayne Kroening	37.06	1
Tom Leair	36.69	2
Roger Anderson	36.50	4
Evan Schoohs	36.19	8
David Palmersheim	35.42	1
Jim Tollefson	35.22	17
George Dorn	35.08	28
Bob Kallstrom	34.14	5
John Molling	34.00	2
Dave Leckwee	33.65	8
Bob Klingaman	33.49	16
Robert Starck	32.83	11
Len Luedtke	31.18	2
Greg Smith	30.71	11
Larry Grabowski	30.56	3
Ron Stevens	30.50	1

## 2025 Year End Averages

Name, Average, Number of Tournaments

Steve Basso	30.43	7
Gerald Harris	29.57	35
Dale Matteson	29.46	5
Dean Kallenbach	29.30	2
Mark Kubisiak	27.43	6
Reese Geier	27.33	4
Richard Conrad	26.57	21
Gary Glover	25.85	8
Larry Danielson	25.71	3
Gary Zarda	25.10	4
James Duerr	24.93	5
Kevin Putnam	23.62	4
Mark Matzke	23.17	9
Randy Hansen	23.00	3
Glenn Bogenschneider	22.35	2
Tom Steinke	22.04	19
Dick Poff	20.00	1
Gary Colton	19.86	3
Kevin Brekke	19.49	19
David Carter	18.95	2
Dave Muehlius	18.47	1
Ron Henke	18.33	1
Richard A. Johnson	17.35	2
Ed Hack	16.23	4
Kenneth Wery	16.00	3
Al Holloway	14.79	3
Mel Cook	13.41	3
Ken Davison	12.71	2
Terry Sternberg	11.83	1
Dave Schillinger	11.33	4
Jim Menzel	10.39	10
Jim Berdan	9.12	3
Derek Wenger	4.50	1
Gene Mason	3.33	1
John Pipkorn	2.60	1
Arnold Seifert	2.23	1
<b>Cadet Girls</b>		
Jazmyn Kildahl	11.46	4
<b>Cadet Boys</b>		
Hunter Kinjerski	34.21	5
Andrew James	30.22	6
Owen Prasalowicz	24.83	6
Logan Lepak	7.09	4
Matt Wiese	5.69	6
Thurston Boehm	5.68	4
Jacob James	5.26	5

## 2025 Top 25 Tournaments

Name, Average, Number of Tournaments

Gerald Harris	29.57	35
Bob Fleege	51.20	33
Dave Quaid	35.37	32
George Dorn	35.08	28
Cliff Shave	71.36	26
Eugene Pribnow	61.07	25
Penny Steinke	76.21	24
Jim Bilderback	69.95	24
Dan Newkirk	17.59	24
Ray Groskinsky	53.94	23
Dan Bloom	49.28	23
Rich Bonner	67.42	22
John Meyer	67.06	22
Richard Conrad	26.57	21
Tammy Newkirk	57.06	20
Kerry Morris	47.06	20
Jill Peterson	44.26	20
Dave Volz	41.61	20
Kathy Fleege	37.69	20
Jeff Gustafson	65.94	19
Ken Whitehouse	55.76	19
Ron Studinski	39.91	19
Tom Steinke	22.04	19
Kevin Brekke	19.49	19
Jim Tollefson	35.22	17

## 2025 Top 25 Percentages

Name, Average, Number of Tournaments

Aleena Lepak	77.49	7
Penny Steinke	76.21	24
Cliff Shave	71.36	26
Jim Bilderback	69.95	24
Sarah Chaffee	69.61	5
Rich Bonner	67.42	22
Ken Jaeger Sr	67.23	16
John Meyer	67.06	22
Jeff Gustafson	65.94	19
Mona Lane	65.10	16
Randy Rein	62.39	1
Eugene Pribnow	61.07	25
Rich Callaway	59.30	16
Cliff Erickson	59.26	15
Donna Berquam	59.03	6
John Nawrot	59.02	4
Tammy Newkirk	57.06	20
Jim Larson	56.67	8
Zak Schwartz	56.52	8
Ken Whitehouse	55.76	19
Rick Weller	55.28	14
George Moraza	54.12	9
Ray Groskinsky	53.94	23
Pam Aiken	52.40	3
Bernard Carley	52.33	11



In 2026, anyone who pitches in any NHPA sanctioned tournament has an opportunity to win one of these newly designed patches. Top class winners earn the Tournament Champion patch. All other class champions will win the Class Champion patch.

## Arkdale Doubles

September 20, 2025

Jill Peterson

### Class A

Susie Erickson	5	1	47.78
Cliff Erickson			52.22
Joe McCrossen	4	2	41.11
Eugene Pribnow			52.22



Class A

Joe McCrossen, Eugene Pribnow  
Cliff Erickson, Susie Erickson



Class B

Dave Volz, Rick Weller  
Justin Schultz, Alvin Schultz

### Class B

Dave Volz	5.5	0.5	40.00
Rick Weller			48.33
Alvin Schultz	4	2	43.89
Justin Schultz			45.00



Class C

Bob Klingaman, George Dorn  
Tegwin Case, Kevin Putnam



Class D

Ed Pulsfus, Gary Volz  
Lori Schumann, Emily Schumann

### Class D

Gary Volz	5	2	29.52
Edwin Pulsfus			25.24
Lori Schumann	4	3	30.95
Emily Schumann			21.90



## Deansville Singles

October 4, 2025

Dobie Gutweiler

### Class A

John Meyer	4	1	66.50
Cliff Shave	4	1	66.50
Ray Grosinsky	3	2	56.00



Class A

Ray Grosinsky, John Meyer  
Cliff Shave



Class B

George Dorn, Dave Leckwee  
Dave Quaid, Joe Steinbach

### Class B

Dave Quaid	6	1	37.50
Dave Leckwee	5.5	1.5	32.86
Joe Steinbach	5	2	41.43



Class C

Mark Trepanier, Sandy Anderson  
Richard Conrad, Chris Judson



## October Fall Singles

October 11- 12, 2025

Dan Newkirk

### Class A

Dennis Reid	5	0	62.50
John Meyer	3	2	60.50
Cliff Shave	3	2	59.00

### Class B

George Moraza	6	0	54.17
Ricky Pritzlaff	4	2	45.83
Carty Cartwright	3	3	43.75

### Class C

Loren Bamborough	5	0	32.00
George Dorn	3	2	36.00
Brenden Kane	3	2	34.00

### Class D

Richard Conrad	5	1	28.75
Al Spinoso	5	1	27.92
Mike Loftus	4	2	24.17

### Class E

Glen Spies	5	0	24.50
Larry Fettes III	3.5	1.5	21.00
Rick Swan	3	2	20.50

### Class F

Carl Berggren	5	1	20.56
Scott Linhart	4	2	13.33
Debbie Berggren	3	3	7.78

## Snowflake Tournament

December 6-7, 2025

Dan Newkirk

### Class A

Penny Steinke	5.5	0.5	73.75
Cliff Shave	5	1	66.67
Jeff Gustafson	4	2	61.25

### Class B

Carty Cartwright	5	1	44.58
Jill Peterson	5	1	40.83
Robert Bowser	3.5	2.5	40.00

### Class C (cancelled due to weather)

### Class D

Robert Starck	5	0	36.00
Chris Judson	4	1	30.50
Brian Schoonover	3	2	28.50

### Class E

Mike Gauthier	4	1	31.50
Gerald Harris	4	1	26.50
Rondi Mengelt	4	1	26.50

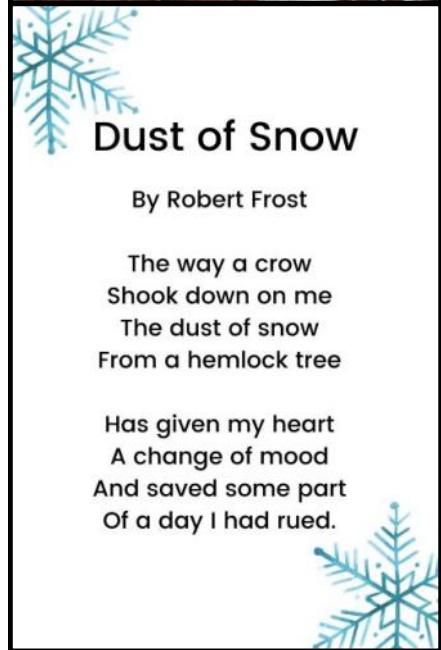
### Class F

Rick Swan	5	1	27.08
John Wesemann	4	2	23.33
Carl Nyman	4	2	21.25

### Class G

Kevin Aarstad	5	0	24.00
Glen Brandemuehl	3	2	18.00
Scott Linhart	2.5	2.5	12.00

No pictures were available for these tournaments.



## Qualifying For the World Tournament

All Adults must have pitched in a minimum of four (4) US/Canadian sanctioned events in the twelve (12) month period from **May 19, 2025** to **May 18, 2026** in the same division you are entering. Only one (1) event is required for Juniors/Cadets.

You may enter at any time before the entry deadline, but you must meet the minimum requirement by the entry deadline to qualify.

Averages used to set up classes will be the average on record in NHPA-eShoe as of **May 18, 2026**, not the average shown at the time that you entered. Note that any events pitched before May 19, 2025 will not be listed on May 18, 2026. To check out how many qualifying events you currently have go to eShoe Home and type in your name or sanction number, then click on Details and count how many you have after May 18, 2025.

Anyone who changes pitching distances (men to elder men, women to elder women, boys to men etc.) must requalify at their new pitching distance, any events at their previous distance will be removed from their eShoe stats when they change distances, therefore will not count as qualifying events.

# Summit Ridge SPOOKTACULAR



October 25-26, 2025

Dave Volz

## Class A

Eugene Pribnow	4	1	62.00
Cliff Erickson	3	2	55.50
Jim Larson	3	2	54.50



### Class A

Cliff Erickson, Eugene Pribnow  
Jim Larson

## Class B

Rick Weller	4	1	46.00
Susie Erickson	4	1	42.50
Randy Mitchell	3	2	43.00



### Class B

Randy Mitchell, Rick Weller  
Susie Erickson



### Class B

Randy Mitchell, Rick Weller  
Susie Erickson

## Class C

Glenn Schultz	4	1	28.00
Justin Schultz	3	2	50.00
Doug Bakkum	3	2	35.50



### Class C

Justin Schultz, Glenn Schultz  
Doug Bakkum



### Class D

Jill Peterson, Jarrod Bisch  
Tegwin Case

## Class D

Jarrod Bisch	4	1	42.50
Jill Peterson	4	1	41.50
Tegwin Case	3	2	23.50



### Class D

Justin Schultz, Glenn Schultz  
Doug Bakkum



### Class E

Brenda Price, Gary Volz  
Russ Kozlowski

## Class E

Ron Studinski	4	1	38.50
Alvin Schultz	3	2	38.50
Mike Slowinski	3	2	39.00



### Class E

Alvin Schultz, Ron Studinski  
Mike Slowinski



### Class F

Brenda Price, Gary Volz  
Russ Kozlowski

## Class F

Gary Volz	4	1	27.00
Brenda Price	3	2	30.50
Russell Kozlowski	3	2	24.50



### Class F

Alvin Schultz, Ron Studinski  
Mike Slowinski



### Class F

Brenda Price, Gary Volz  
Russ Kozlowski

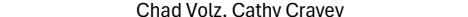
## Class G

Edwin Pulsfus	5	0	29.50
George Johnson	4	1	24.50
Leslie Mitchell	2	3	18.00



### Class G

Leslie Mitchell, Ed Pulsfus  
George Johnson



### Class G

Leslie Mitchell, Ed Pulsfus  
George Johnson

## Deansville Doubles

November 1, 2025

**Dobie Gutweiler**

### Class A

Bob Klingman	5	0	23.33
Cliff Shave			66.00
Dan Bloom	4	1	45.33
Bob Fleege			52.67
Tom Steinke	3	2	20.67
Penny Steinke			66.67



### Class A

Penny Steinke, Tom Steinke, Cliff Shave, Bob Klingaman  
Bob Fleege, Dan Bloom

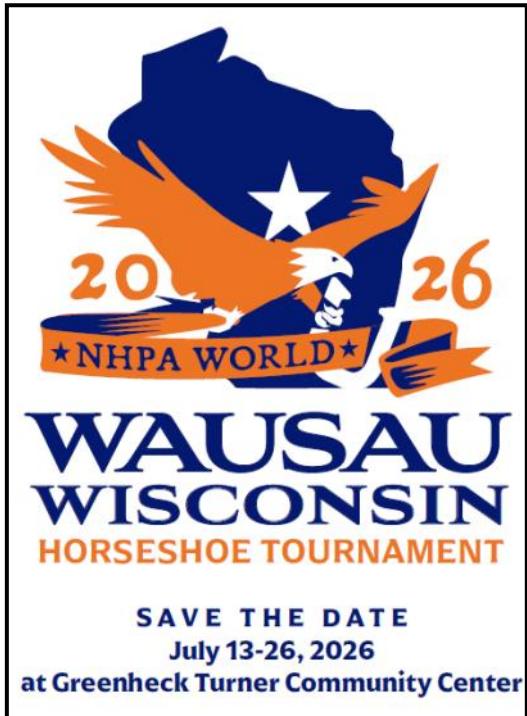
### Class B

Mark Labarge	4	1	26.67
Dave Quaid			32.67
Glen Spies	3	2	24.67
Ken Whitehouse			47.33
Randy Mitchell	2	3	37.33
Leslie Mitchell			21.33



### Class B

Glen Spies, Ken Whitehouse  
Mark Labarge, Dave Quaid  
Randy Mitchell, Leslie Mitchell



### Class C

Dawn Twing, Brenda Price, Nancy Murleau  
Thaddeus Monthie, Chris Judson

# Autumn Harvest



November 8-9, 2025

Dan Newkirk

## Class A

Cliff Shave	6	0	74.58
Penny Steinke	5	1	80.42
Dennis Reid	4	2	57.50



## Class A

Cliff Shave, Dennis Reid, Penny Steinke  
Ken Whitehouse



## Class B

Bob Fleege, Jeff Madison  
Dan Bloom

## Class B

Jeffery Madison	4	1	51.00
Bob Fleege	4	1	48.00
Dan Bloom	3	2	43.00



## Class C

Dave Quaid, Mike Gauthier  
Loren Bamborough, Jim Huckabee



## Class D

Al Spinoso, Hank Schoenbeck  
Chris Judson

## Class D

Hank Schoenbeck	4	1	33.00
Chris Judson	4	1	31.50
Al Spinoso	3	2	30.00



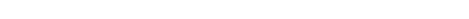
## Class E

Steve Basso	5	1	28.33
Mary Thompson	4	2	24.17
Richard Conrad	4	2	20.83



## Class F

John Weseman	5	0	19.00
Dawn Twing	3	2	19.50
Carl Nyman	2.5	2.5	19.50



## Class F

John Weseman, Dawn Twing  
Carl Nyman

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# Ho Ho Horseshoe Tournament



December 13-14, 2025

Dave Volz

## Class A

Eugene Pribnow	4	1	60.50
John Meyer	3	2	57.50
Mona Lane	3	2	56.00



## Class A

Mona Lane, Eugene Pribnow  
John Meyer

## Class B

Rick Weller	5	0	56.50
Dave Volz	3	2	43.00
Dan Bloom	3	2	48.00



## Class B

Dave Volz, Rick Weller  
Dan Bloom

## Class C

Glenn Schultz	5	0	50.50
Ray Cayer	3	2	52.50
Jill Peterson	2	3	50.00



## Class C

Ray Cayer, Glenn Schultz  
Jill Peterson

## Class D

Mike Slowinski	4.5	0.5	44.00
Steve Kulow	3.5	1.5	33.00
Melanie Kasun	2.5	2.5	27.50



Class D  
Steve Kulow, Mike Slowinski  
Melanie Kasun

## Class E

Gerald Harris	5	0	30.00
George Dorn	3	2	32.50
Brenda Price	3	2	29.00



## Class E

George Dorn, Gerald Harris  
Brenda Price

## Class F

Gary Volz	5	0	32.50
Tegwin Case	4	1	29.50
Patrick Labarge	3	2	20.50



Class F  
Patrick Labarge, Gary Volz  
Tegwin Case

## Class G

Rich Brockway	4	1	26.00
Dawn Twing	3	2	34.50
Mark Labarge	3	2	25.00



## Class G

Dawn Twing, Rich Brockway  
Mark Labarge

## Class H

Sonia Cook	5	0	38.00
Mel Cook	4	1	13.00
Andrew James	2.5	2.5	34.00



Class H  
Mel Cook, Sonia Cook  
Andrew James

## Class I

Aiden Weller	5	0	20.00
Dan Newkirk	4	1	20.50
Brian Engleson	3	2	19.00



## Class I

Brian Engleson, Aiden Weller  
Dan Newkirk

## Class J

Kim Briggs	6	0	14.58
Sheila Volz	4	2	5.21
Jason Harper	3.5	2.5	7.81



Class J  
Will Fillback, Sheila Volz  
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