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Border Battle III

By Jim Haupt

The elite pitchers of Wisconsin read their early scores shocked with disbelief. 24 to 8 was the first quarter report. Wisconsin was losing games at the rate of 3 to 1.

The annual Wisconsin - Minnesota horseshoe clash was terminal for the Wisconsin hosts. Minnesota went all the way at the Sandbar winning 80 games to 48 games.

It became a repeat of the previous year with the Minnesotans victory on their home courts in Upsala, MN. The inaugural year, 1999, Wisconsin won on their own courts at Arena. It was thought the event would always belong to the host but the Gopher people anxious to leave their still frozen state, came with bigger guns this year than the Badgers could muster.

The top pitchers of each state are individually invited to this annual pitch-off. Selected, by percentage, are the top eight 30 foot and the top eight 40 foot pitchers. Unfortunately not all of Wisconsin's top pitchers chose to pitch on the BB team this year. Moving down the average list, those pitchers who agree to pitch are further divided into A and B groups of four each. A double round robin ensues in four game shifts. On the eight courts of the Sandbar it becomes a day long event.

Throughout the day there was no doubt of Wisconsin's dubious progress as Ken Kosky entered all score sheets in the unforgiving computer. Even that turned tough. Ringers and points were recorded on the boards

but the computer needed the full score. Up to the task, the scorekeepers marked it both ways, ringer total on the board for the excellent viewing and full score on the sheet for the computer. Eddie Wheeler, scratcher of the day, marked every game.

Other notables in for the day were: for Wisconsin; the VP, Jane Smith, the NHPA Sec-Treas., Dick and Paulette Hansen, and for Minnesota, their NHPA RD, Ward Lutz.



No pitcher went through the day unscathed but the one two punch of the Minnesota 40 ft team, Dale Lipovsky and Gerald Stangland each won 7 of their 8 games. Rosie Lyek, MN 30's, went 7 for 8 and Harry Nelson, WI pitching his personal best tournament also had 7 wins. Nelson and teammate Bun Carley along with Christy Weyer of Minnesota were outstanding, each performing even better than entering average.

Wisconsin team leader, Randy Rein, added comments as he made the award, a new traveling trophy, to Minnesota's team coordinator, Dick Dvorak. Mark Mauthe presented the \$400 purse. Dvorak first thanked Sandbar owner, Dave Forseth, for his

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 Note: Some WHPA approved events are unsanctioned.
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The President's Column

I would like to congratulate Earl Paulson, who never stops promoting the Game of Horseshoes, and Clayton Gage, for his achievements as a pitcher, for their election into the WHPA Hall of Fame. In 1998 the WHPA Hall of Fame committee created an Honorary Hall of Fame, to recognize non-Wisconsin horseshoe participants that have made an impressive impact on the Game of Horseshoes in this state. This year Seneca "Red" Ferguson, who lives in Illinois and is a member of the Beloit club, was elected into this category for his dedication to the Game of Horseshoes. Congratulations Red!

As of April 7- 2001, Dick Hansen informed me that the Chippewa Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau, which is located in Eau Claire was the lone bidder for the 2003 World Tournament. There being no other bidders the 2003 World Tournament will be in Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

The Eau Claire horseshoe club and the WHPA have agreed to support the Chippewa Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau in hosting the 2003 World Tournament. The proposed site is the McPhee Physical Education Center, which is part of the University of Wisconsin, in Eau Claire.

The question that seems to come up a lot is what is the benefit of being an NHPA member. The liability insurance that you get when you are at a Sanctioned Event is one very big reason. Even a claim that is frivolous, for which you may not be at fault can cost tens of thousands of dollars in defense cost. I for one do not want to take that chance and be held liable for the cost of a claim.

For one reason or another the last issue of the Newsletter, a part of the following paragraph was omitted.

I'm willing to award \$100.00 (2001 Presidents fee) to the adult person that signs up the most NHPA members by September 2nd 2001. The person you sign up can not be a 2000 NHPA member. The list must be submitted to me by Labor Day 2001. The submitted name or names can not be duplicated by another person.

Reminder: The World Tournament entry deadline is May 17-2001, get your entry in.

Your Pres. Ken Jaeger

Border Battle Results

BORDER BATTLE 3

CLASS 40 - A

WISCONSIN	WINS		ENT AVE	MINNESOTA		ENT AVE	WINS		ENT AVE	WINS		RINGERS	AVERAGE
	RD 1	RD 2		RD 1	RD 2		RD 1	RD 2					
RANDY REIN	3	2	68.17	DALE LIPOVSKY	3	81.22	4	227	70.94%				
MARK MAUTHE	3	2	65.23	GERALD STANGLANI	3	69.14	4	198	61.88%				
JOHN CROOK	0	0	56.34	DAN CARLSON	1	66.80	2	173	54.06%				
RON BROCKWAY	1	1	56.28	WAYNE TOTTEN	2	62.10	1	172	53.75%				

TOTAL WINS 20.0

CLASS 40 - B

WISCONSIN	WINS		ENT AVE	MINNESOTA		ENT AVE	WINS		ENT AVE	WINS		RINGERS	AVERAGE
	RD 1	RD 2		RD 1	RD 2		RD 1	RD 2					
TOM ENDLER	0	0	56.25	ERIC SANDQUIST	2	61.57	4	188	58.75%				
BUN CARLEY	2	3	56.12	RON CRAIGMILE	1	59.62	1	143	44.69%				
HARRY NELSON	4	3	56.01	SIG ARMITAGE	3	58.09	1	184	57.50%				
TOM COSTA	2	2	51.88	DICK DVORAK	2	59.22	2	147	45.94%				

TOTAL WINS 16.0

CLASS 30 - A

WISCONSIN	WINS		ENT AVE	MINNESOTA		ENT AVE	WINS		ENT AVE	WINS		RINGERS	AVERAGE
	RD 1	RD 2		RD 1	RD 2		RD 1	RD 2					
CLAYTON GAGE	1	3	75.83	BEV NATHE	4	74.83	2	217	67.81%				
LORRAINE STERNBERG	0	0	68.50	PHYLLIS NEGAARD	3	70.15	1	208	65.00%				
EDI McKINNEY	1	1	67.44	EDI HOLLAND	2	66.85	3	202	63.13%				
GERT WILCZIEK	1	3	60.96	LEN LIPOVSKY	4	65.21	3	217	67.81%				

TOTAL WINS 22.0

CLASS 30 - B

WISCONSIN	WINS		ENT AVE	MINNESOTA		ENT AVE	WINS		ENT AVE	WINS		RINGERS	AVERAGE
	RD 1	RD 2		RD 1	RD 2		RD 1	RD 2					
SUF HELENE	2	3	58.97	TIFFANY GAGE	3	59.91	3	178	55.63%				
ELAINE TROULLIER	2	0	50.70	ROSIE LEYK	3	57.51	4	173	54.06%				
SHARI DAVISON	0	1	49.31	CHRISTY WEYER	3	56.12	3	183	57.19%				
TERESA DONAR	1	1	48.52	LU CAVE	2	54.92	1	117	36.56%				

TOTAL WINS 22.0

TOTAL MN WINS 80.0

TOTAL WI WINS 48.0

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hospitality, the Wisconsin people for being nice (nice and easy) and all of his players individually.

Provisional sponsor of the Wisconsin chapter of the Border Battle is the Wisconsin Horseshoe Newsletter. Articles and services provided included; promotion, administration, the new traveling trophy designed by Ken Kosky, Wisconsin team caps (Holstein variety) and the WHPA fee, to free the entire entry fee as prize money.

We, of the Newsletter, find the Minnesota pitchers to be our closest friends and hope to continue the rewarding association.

*The "Minnesotan's"
Border Battle Champions for
2001*



Future State Tournaments

Each year at our State Fall meeting, we select a site for our State Tournament two years in advance. This year, we are looking for a club to host the State Tournament for 2003.

To host the State Tournament, you need a minimum of twelve courts and one playoff court with lights and volunteer committees willing to work the tournament.

Two or more clubs sharing in hosting the State Tournament has been suggested and actually accomplished in the past few years. Close Doesn't Count Club has doubled up with Eau Claire Club and Windy Hill Club. At this point they are planning on doing the same again next year with the Windy Hill Club at Wausau.

An indoor facility is not a requirement, but can be a plus, eliminates the possible weather conditions that might affect the tournament's schedule, when held outdoors.

At the time of the State spring meeting on March 17, Combined Locks' Bill Matey, was looking into hosting the State Tournament 2003, with some help from the Fox Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau, but at their club meeting, he couldn't get enough commitment from the membership. It's a lot of work, no question about it. The very first NHPA Sanctioned

State Tournament was held at Combined Locks in July 1967. Hopefully they will try again in the near future.

The Goldendale Club's membership was asked if they would be interested in hosting the State Tournament in the near future, at their club meeting. About 75% of the members in attendance, said they would if they could get help from one or two other clubs. The Fond du Lac courts have been offered to Goldendale to use. More information is necessary before the final decision to go ahead.

As a reminder, this year's State Tournament will be held at Beloit, September 1-3 at the Beloit Club's Courts.

So if there are any other clubs out there willing to host or co-host the State Tournament for 2003, please contact me.

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WHPA SPRING MEETING AT THE ARENA SANDBAR

Edi McKinney, fresh from the Hall of Fame selection process, announced the 2001 choices with pride. Clayton Gage, champion Elder, will be inducted as a pitcher. Earl Paulson, the push at Beloit, was successfully nominated as promoter, and the angel of the Beloit clubhouse, Red Ferguson of South Beloit, Illinois, will receive his WHPA Hall of Fame plaque as an honorary member.

As usual State Secretary, John Secord led off the WHPA 2001 Spring Meeting with minutes of the last meeting and the treasurer's report showing a balance of \$4,120, up about \$700 over last fall.

Perhaps winter in the Northwest was uninteresting. The ordinarily talkative VP, Jane Smith, declined to comment.

Terry Sternberg outlined the progress with future State Tournament hosts. This year in Beloit the event is expected to go for three full days on the 12 outdoor courts. If, perchance, the club gained a public occupancy permit for the new building, they would be able to complete the event in two days using those indoor courts for all short distance pitchers.

Next year, 2002, plans are still in effect to go to Wausau with Close Doesn't Count Club as co-host.

Possible bidders for 2003 could be The Combined Locks Club or the Goldendale Club in partnership with unannounced others.

Bill Matey, president of the Combined Locks Club has met with the Fox Cities Convention and Visitors Bureau who seem interested in producing an arena large enough to accommodate courts for a State event.

Goldendale Club is shopping for a co-host and thinking of a Fond du Lac fairgrounds building as a possible site.

Sternberg called attention to the memorabilia section of the Hall of Fame and before the day was out he mounted an additional wall cabinet that he personally made to match the others at the Sandbar.

Tom Steinke reported that the Junior Scholarship Fund now has a cash balance of \$7000.

Lorraine Sternberg, the Sanctioned Club and League Director for the National organization encouraged Wisconsin Clubs to join in and be counted among others on her list of Sanctioned Clubs of the NHPA. She is also working on a new, 'Red Book,' the primer for the sanction program.

Junior Promotions Director of the NHPA, Heidi Sternberg, is also the webmaster of the WHPA site. The site has been recently updated with a new look. She asked for any pictures members may wish to contribute and any comments on additional material they would like to see. Heidi has recently produced an outstanding brochure devoted to junior horseshoe pitching, the first of its kind in the NHPA and available to all just for the asking.

Dick Hansen, the Secretary Treasurer of the NHPA complimented Heidi Sternberg for the fine brochure. He then switched to a review of conditions to expect at the 2000 World

Tournament in Hibbing, Minnesota. Accommodations are expected to be tight with only a few left in the town of Hibbing. There will be two pitching arenas located approximately one mile apart. No problems are anticipated because of the dual location. Showers at the facility could be made available but it's no guarantee.

So far the only World Tournament bid for 2003 is from Eau Claire, Wisconsin. It's not from the Eau Claire Club but from the Chippewa Cities Convention and Visitors Association who hope to cooperate with the Eau Claire Club. Last year the Eau Claire indoor site was considered at the convention, but thought to have been unsuccessful for lack of full air-conditioning.

Hansen recently mailed 13,000 NHPF brochures, one to every household with an NHPA connection. In an impromptu survey it was disheartening to see that maybe half of the members present could not recall receiving the brochure.

This was first for the NHPF. Finally every member was contacted in the mass mailing of the highly informational brochure. It was also an appeal for funds but certainly not to be discarded as junk mail.

After passing out tournament certificates and NHPA patches, the Regional Director, Jim Haupt talked about treating the "Tournament Champion" patch with respect. He went on, The patch is designed for all "A" class champions but they should be true champions. Try to see that even in a mixed class there is but one champion. Dave Schorbahn advocates issuing double Tournament Champion patches in a mixed Junior class to promote their continued participation. Haupt believes using the Champion patch for trivial reasons reduces its importance and admitted he is not empowered to make a rule but tried to gain general acceptance of a worthy practice.

Finally the meeting got down to business with discussion, originally initiated by Hansen last year, regarding the amount of time consumed pitching the men's championship class. The ten game format seems to some to be too much to watch from beginning to end. Also there was concern for the pitchers. Some changes were offered such as two day competition. The move-up man from "A" would have to double duty on the first day and definitely the "A" move-up would be retained. Although fruitful, the discussion was tabled perhaps for future consideration.

Under new business, the hot topic became scorekeeping at the State Tournament.

Ron Berg, State Tournament Director of 2000, had stated his tournament wrap-up views through a Newsletter article preceding this meeting. One of Berg's points was advocating use of the familiar ringers-points self score for all but the championship rounds which are point games. The argument was that providing scorekeepers is the toughest job for the State host. That and the fact that the ringers-point system has been well received, would seem to be a solution.

Other opinions countered. Terry Sternberg stated that providing scorekeepers is a primary responsibility of State Tournament host and any club should have available scorekeepers in mind before making a bid. Rick Poppe reminisced of the Pitchin' Palace days with scorekeepers clicking those electronic boards. A gang of

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people were heard from. This is why the WHPA exists - to govern the State Tournament. Jane Smith suggested that we come back to the question later in form of a rule proposal. Jaeger cited the rule book wherein it is stated that scorekeepers will be paid \$1/game. Jeff Secord assessed the all arguments and suggested that the self scoring question could be handled without rule changes, if, State Tournament bidders would include the choice of that option in their bid. Selective voting members would then have command.

In the course of arguments, pro and con, Jaeger asked for an informal survey of hands for continued use of scorekeepers at the State Tournament. 22 hands were counted while only 13 were in favor of employing the self score option.

Actually the NHPA rules at present call for provision of "scorekeepers for each court" at all sanctioned events. (That includes sanctioned league play) Unless that rule is modified, and it may be at the convention this year, scorekeepers are required at the State Tournament.

Berg thinks if the WHPA were to set State Tournament entries into a computer program upon entry, the director would have an easier time of it expanding the program into class times, round robin cards, etc. As a result he followed through on his promise to give the WHPA the "Walter Ray" program that he used last year. It's the same program used for the World Tournament. Unprepared, President Jaeger, was reluctant to accept the gift considering copyright laws related to computer programs. Berg insisted it was his to give and finally the WHPA accepted, conditionally.

Whether the program is ever employed for the State Tournament is another hot subject.

That was enough for the day. The Spring Meeting adjourned at 2:50 PM

Junior Scholarship Open

Conducted the Day of the Spring Meeting, the Jr Scholarship could not accommodate more than four classes.

It used to be that pitchers dreaded the early morning class time. Now they beg for it. Anything seems better than pitching that late afternoon flight and hit the road in the dark. With a decrease in tournament entries at Arena, the various directors elect to make it one day, three class times. Some guys are saying, hot dog, I got the early class.

At least when we have the meetings at Arena, the courts are the meeting area. At Plover there were always some pitchers foregoing the meeting just to practice.

As it was the tournament pitchers out-numbered members at the meeting.

From the result sheet it looks like the regular "A" pitchers took a day off. Harry Nelson, Kenosha, had a great day but was nicked twice. Linda Johnson, new Kenosha tournament director was heard from taking "B" class with all wins. Rich Wisniewski, Arlington Heights, IL outclassed the competition in "C" with room to spare.

Greg Hehling made a percentage move on Russ Heinritz in winning "D." See the results sheet for casualties and others.

RESULTS Jr Scholarship Open

CLASS A	WINS	%
Harry Nelson	5	58.57%
Ken Heinritz	5	51.79%
Elaine Troullier	5	48.93%
Ron Lingard	4	45.71%
Cliff Troullier	3	49.29%
Tom Endler	3	46.43%
Bernard Cockroft	2	42.50%
Chet Hermansen	1	38.93%
CLASS B		
Linda Johnson	7	46.79%
Al Huizenga	5	45.71%
Ken Frame	4.5	44.29%
Mitch Vyhanek	4	42.50%
Augie Potter	3	38.57%
Robert Fritz	2.5	33.93%
Debbie Marshall	1	33.93%
Julian Tijerina	1	30.71%

CLASS C	WINS	%
Richard Wisniewski	7	43.21%
Karen Henkel	5	35.36%
Bill Matey	5	25.36%
John Mills	3	33.93%
Eugene Satterstrom	3	32.50%
Mike Lange	2	30.36%
Jim Haupt	2	20.36%
Bruce Tatera	1	31.43%
CLASS D		
Greg Hehling	6	30.36%
Russ Heinritz	6	29.64%
Cal Pitel	5	27.86%
Guy Fleming	3	18.57%
Annette Springer	3	17.50%
Dick Henkel	3	15.71%
Dan Birch	2	15.00%
Gary Schmitz	0	8.93%

Hall of Fame Inductee from 1982:

Ed Schimek

One of two 1982 Wisconsin Horseshoe Pitchers Association Hall-of-Fame awards is being presented to Edward J. "Eddie" Schimek.

Eddie Schimek started pitching horseshoe in 1925, participating in the state tournament in 1928 for the first time, and for the next forty years, at State Fair Park. He took part in three more state contests at different locations. He won the state championship in 1960, 62, and 63. The "National Horseshoe Pitchers' News Digest" featured his picture on the cover of the November 1963 issue. He won the midwestern at Combined Locks in 1966, and he was City of Milwaukee champion in 1931 and 1948. He was a charter member of the Auer Avenue Horseshoe Club and helped organize the City League. He was president of the club in 1935 and a member for 17 years, and a member of the Washington Park Horseshoe Club for 24 years, winning the Washington Park Class A Championship in 1959.

In 1948, when the World Tournament was held in West Allis, Ed was honored to be asked to practice with Guy Zimmerman. They played three games and Ed won one of them 50 - 37, with 82.6%. He failed to qualify for the World Tournament by 15 points. Guy went on to pitch the first perfect game in a World Tourney and ended up in third place.

Ed also had the pleasure of winning a couple of games from Casey Jones. He appeared twice on WTMJ - TV in 1957 in a show called "Pitching Horseshoes". In 1948 he took part in a Red Cross program At Wood Hospital where he coached the veterans for several weeks, giving them pointers in pitching horseshoes. He also gave out trophies they had at the end of the season.

Since retiring in 1976 as supervisor in the Cost Accounting Department at Johnson Controls, Ed has kept busy playing dartball at Washington Park Senior Center. He is one of the top dartball players in Milwaukee and has received individual awards for highest average, always 500 or better, in the years 1976 through 1981. He bowls in two senior leagues and was on the team that won the championship in 1978, 79, and 80. He compiled the highest average in both leagues, a composite average of 175 the last two years.

Ed was born July 25, 1911 in Milwaukee. He and his wife Katherine, who celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary in June, Have two daughters and six grandchildren.

We congratulate Eddie Schimek and are happy to present this award for his many years of dedication to and participation in the sport of horseshoes.

A reproduction of the award for Hall of Fame members from days past.

Sorry for the delay in sending my fee. After spending 3 mo. in AZ my brain hasn't adjusted to paying our WI bills! Entered the Arizona Senior Olympics in Feb and - surprise of all surprises - I won the Silver Metal in Championship Division!! Mighty proud of that. Enjoyed Jane Smith, parents, and friends visit in Apache Jct., also.

Always look forward to your newsy newsletter.

Elly McCarn
Eau Claire

My escort climbed a fence into a small field to gather me some particularly lovely wild flowers while I waited in the car. Suddenly he called excitedly to a farmer hoeing tobacco in the next field: "Hey! Is this bull over here safe?" "Well," said the farmer composedly, "he's a dern sight safer'n you are."

In the midst of great joy do not promise anyone anything. In the midst of great anger do not answer anyone's letter. - Chinese Proverb

ARENA SPRING SINGLES

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John Crook had a busy weekend -pitch the Border Battle all day Saturday and run the Spring Singles all day Sunday and on into the nighttime because of a couple of 9-man classes.

Reviewing the results column; some of the, across the Border, people hung around for the Sunday event figuring in the top half of "A." Standout in "B" is second place Jay Magelend, new

pitcher to the NHPA, actually establishing average in this event. Other new names this computer doesn't yet

recognize are: Brad Behm, 3rd in C; Dan Meindel, 4th in F; Steve Kulow, 5th in E, and Tom Haugen, 2nd in E. Watch for those pitchers at coming events..

Butch and Tammy Kohnen are returning Minnesota visitors.

Arnie Walton, numero uno "B" pitcher, was just as happy to pass on "A" class. Bill Spahn is back from AZ and in good form. Rich Wisniewski and Greg Hehling

now have successive tournament wins but it is John Mills, B winner by a mile, who is our selection for the pitcher of day. Could be his indoor league time in Wausau is showing positive results.

To keep things moving along at a good clip, pitchers counted ringers-only. Seemed agreeable, all around.

Thanks, John Crook , for a nice tournament to finish the Sandbar indoor season. We saw the king sized result boards and liked the work of Eddie Wheeler.

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Spring Singles Results

CLASS A

1ST	RANDY REIN	6	65.00
2ND	WAYNE TOTTEN	6	63.92
3RD	RON CRAIGMILE	4.5	60.71
4TH	SIG ARMITAGE	4.5	57.50
5TH	MARK MAUTHE	3	61.78
6TH	BUN CARLEY	3	55.35
7TH	TOM ENDLER	1	43.57
8TH	DICK DVORAK	0	40.71

CLASS B

1ST	ARNIE WALTON	6	55.00
2ND	JAY MAGELEND	5.5	46.07
3RD	ELAINE TROULLIER	5	50.00
4TH	RON LINGARD	4	43.21
5TH	CLIFF TROULLIER	3	45.35
6TH	SONNY COCKROFT	3	42.14
7TH	CHET HERMANSEN	2	37.50
8TH	RAY GROSKINSKY	0.5	33.20

CLASS C

1ST	BILL SPAHN	6.5	44.06
2ND	KEN FRAME	6	43.12
3RD	BRAD BEHM	5	42.81
4TH	JIM LARSON	5	39.37
5TH	KERRY MORRIS	4	40.62
6TH	BUTCH KOHNEN	4	37.18
7TH	BOB FRITZ	3	40.31
8TH	TED ROHDE	0.5	28.12
9TH	DUSTIN DAHL	1	25.00

CLASS D

1ST	RICH WISNIEWSKI	6	42.85
2ND	DAVE FORSETH	6	36.42
3RD	LEN MAUTHE	5	32.85
4TH	JOHN CARLIN	3	29.64
5TH	TIP WIPPERFURTH	2.5	34.28
6TH	JULIAN TIJERINA	2	31.78
7TH	JIM HAUPT	2	22.85
8TH	JIM O'LOUGHLIN	0.5	37.61

CLASS E

1ST	JOHN MILLS	6	43.57
2ND	TOM HAUGEN	6	38.92
3RD	MILT LARSEN	5	39.64
4TH	DON STITTLEBURG	3.5	28.21
5TH	STEVE KULOW	3	27.14
6TH	TAMMY KOHNEN	2	29.28
7TH	JAMIE BLYNN	5	22.14
8TH	GENE SATTERSTROM	1	26.78

CLASS F

1ST	GREG HEHLING	7	30.93
2ND	ED WHEELER	6.5	30.62
3RD	TOM DUDENHOEFER	6	31.25
4TH	DAN MEINDEL	5.5	27.81
5TH	IVAN RUZIC	4.5	21.87
6TH	GARY SCHMITZ	2.5	17.5
7TH	RICH ROTAR	2	12.81
8TH	DAVE MILLER	1.5	13.43
9TH	EARL PAULSON	0	5.31

Down and Back

with Jim Haupt

Found a copy of the "Ten Pin News, found at the local bowling lanes.

Checking the results column for the Wisconsin State Seniors Tournament,

Arnie Walton, Lodi.....769

Looked like high series in the entire column. Hope it holds up. Wonder if he rolls a 1 & 3/4 hook?

What this state needs is more friends like Dick Dvorak of Minnesota. Not only does he continue to organize the team for the Border Battle but he also is a player-manager. Regardless of his near 60% average, he slipped into a lower gear and gave away half his games just to help out his Wisconsin buddies. Dvorak is one good Gopher.

You gotta feel for those Elder guys. Conditions are, well just different. Often, because of the like distance, they get lumped in class with the women. To an elder they are all 'young' women. And how's a guy supposed to handle that femininity and still keep his mind on the game?

Does that explain why Clayton Gage was heard to exclaim, "Hey, I'm not that old!"

Schedule Change:

From Jane Smith

Jim, Hope you had a very Happy Easter. We had 14 family members for dinner. Kirb's mom, brother and sister in law and two of my sisters families. It was cool but no rain. We have a few snow flurries this AM with a temp of 26 and a wind chill of -5:-0. So much for the weather report.

Our new tournament date is Sept 22/23 for our Spectacular Wet N Wild tourney. Deadline is Sept 9.

Thanks for making a note of this change in the schedule. See you in Beloit in a few weeks.

CLUB-TEAM

by Jim Haupt

We are looking at the largest field ever for the upcoming Club Team tournament in Beloit - 25 teams - 103 pitchers.

As a courtesy to traveling teams the event will start at 10:00 AM with the C and D classes. Following will be A and B at 2:00 PM.

The complete schedule is out. See your team captain for all the dope.

If it becomes necessary to make any substitutions do so with comparable averages and advise the tournament director ASAP, thanks.

It's easier to list possible teams not entered and hope for their entry next year. Platteville, where are you? Waukesha, what's happening? Fond du Lac, you are AWOL. Up North, there's always room for you too.

EAU CLAIRE WORLD 2003

It's in the bag! Deadline for World tournament bids was March 15, 2001. The only bidder is Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

World Convention delegates have only to confirm the bid this summer for the first Eau Claire World since 1987.

At that time the host club was the primary promoter of the event, provided the portable courts, and the necessary labor to setup and maintain the facility. This time the principal promoter is the area convention and visitors bureau and their future participation regarding setup and maintenance is an unknown. It may be that the success of the Eau Claire World will have to depend upon labor participation of state members as a whole.

The 1987 World was the first event of its kind to use portable platform courts. They were at least two years in development, first seen at the 1985 World being shown by Curt Bestul. The NHPA platform courts of today are merely an adaptation of the original Eau Claire courts.

The '87 World opened the door of opportunity for indoor tournaments.

A man lay spread out over three seats in the second row of a movie theater. As he lay there breathing heavily, an usher came over and said, "That's very rude of you, sir, tak-

ing up three seats. Didn't you learn any manners? Where did you come from?" The man looked up helplessly and said, "The balcony!"

The RVR, hangs tough

A few years ago Ron Berg, a prolific Arena tournament director, expanded his idea to produce a team tournament. He called it the River Valley Rumble. Team doubles meant four pitchers would take on any and all comers, but hold it, we better limit their average total to 180.

It was done. Team limit set at eight. Takes all day to pitch 14 games even when the shoe limit is set at 20 per man.

The occurrence of the event was in jeopardy this year. Berg, a busy man, thought could not host the RVR. That's when the contestants took over. Eddie Wheeler took on the design and production of the unusual result sheets. Bun Carley and Tip Wipperfurth offered advice. Jim Haupt notified the teams. Shirley Carley professionally handled all the statistics.

The "cake" was baked. Started at 9:00 AM, lunch at halftime, done at 3:30. Paid half the class; \$180 to win, \$128 for the runners up (only a one win difference) third collected \$80, and fourth was good for \$44. One dollar per pitcher went to Shirley Carley leaving \$16 of the total of entry fees for the normal WHPA tournament fee.

There were a few pitchers who performed well but so few that individual percentages are not published, only team percentages. Anything can happen in doubles play and perhaps that explains low team percentages but the first five were closely matched.

The RVR trophy, a broken concrete block, was engraved on the spot by Tom Endler, a leader of the 2001 Kenosha team.

It has been suggested that the winning team earns the privilege and duty of conducting next years competition for the RVR. Hear, Hear!

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<u>Kenosha</u>	
Nelson, Harry	1st Place
Endler, Tom	22 wins
Bakkum, Doug	Avg. 38.6
Brower, Rich	
<u>Sandbags</u>	
Carley, Bun	21 wins
Lingard, Ron	Avg 39.3
Frame, Ken	
Forseth, Dave	
<u>North</u>	
Decorah, Fred	3rd Place
Halloway, Al	17 wins
Volz, Jerry	Avg 38.0
Cone, Mike	
<u>Deansville</u>	
Weikert, Gerald	4th Place
Miller, Steve	15 wins
Behm, Brad	Avg 39.2
Haugen, Tom	
<u>Waunakee</u>	
Wipperfurth, Tip	placed 5th
Anderson, Robt	14 wins
Adler, Herman	Avg 37.0
Tijerina, Julian	
<u>State Line</u>	
Gustafson, Jeff	placed 6th
Chaffin, Hi	11.5 wins
Power, Bob	Avg 32.1
Sagert, Keith	
<u>East</u>	
Scrima, Tony	placed 7th
Costa, Tom	8.5 wins
Conrad, Rich	Avg 29.7
Haupt, Jim	
<u>Beloit team</u>	
Laws, Harold	placed 8th
Lessman, Dan	3 wins
Swick, Rowen	Avg 24.7
Burns, Russ	

What people say

By Jim Haupt

Some people in this horseshoe organization have suggested that this editor competes in too many events. Burn-out has been called the culprit that ruins averages. I am evidence of that.

Recently I had to pass up an event at Arena - Bun Carley's doubles on February 25th. It was my wife's birthday and although she would have been more than happy to spend a peaceful day without

me, the kids planned a party. My presence was obligatory.

Now I'm stuck. What happened at Carley's Doubles? Does Bun still know how to run a tournament? It's been many years since his reign as a director of the "Tobacco Days" in Edgerton. With the help of Shirley Carley, I'm sure the event was passable and a pleasure for the pitchers.

It occurs to me now that is sure a lot of words on why Carley's Doubles lacks a write-up.

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TRIBUTE TO THE UNITED STATES

America: The Good Neighbor.

Widespread but only partial news coverage was given recently to a remarkable editorial broadcast from Toronto by Gordon Sinclair, a Canadian television commentator. What follows is the full text of his trenchant remarks as printed in the Congressional Record:

"This Canadian thinks it is time to speak up for the Americans as the most generous and possibly the least appreciated people on all the earth.

Germany, Japan and, to a lesser extent, Britain and Italy were lifted out of the debris of war by the Americans who poured in billions of dollars and forgave other billions in debts. None of these countries is today paying even the interest on its remaining debts to the United States.

When France was in danger of collapsing in 1956, it was the Americans who propped it up, and their reward was to be insulted and swindled on the streets of Paris. I was there. I saw it.

When earthquakes hit distant cities, it is the United States that hurries in to help. This spring, 59 American communities were flattened by tornadoes. Nobody helped.

The Marshall Plan and the Truman Policy pumped billions of dollars into discouraged countries. Now newspapers in those countries are writing about the decadent, warmongering Americans.

I'd like to see just one of those countries that is gloating over the erosion of the United States dollar build its own airplane. Does any other country in the world have a plane to equal the Boeing Jumbo Jet, the Lockheed Tri-Star, or the Douglas DC10? If so, why don't they fly them? Why do all the International lines except Russia fly American Planes?

Why does no other land on earth even consider putting a man or woman on the moon? You talk about Japanese technocracy, and you get radios. You talk about German technocracy, and you get automobiles. You talk about American technocracy, and you find men on the moon - not once, but several times and safely home again.

You talk about scandals, and the Americans put theirs right in the store window for everybody to look at. Even their draft-dodgers are not pursued and hounded. They were here on our streets, and most of them, unless they were breaking Canadian laws, were getting American dollars from ma and pa at home to spend here.

When the railways of France, Germany, and India were breaking down through age, it was the Americans who rebuilt them. When the Pennsylvania Railroad and the New York Central went broke, nobody loaned them an old caboose. Both are still broke.

I can name you 5000 times when the Americans raced to the help of other people in trouble. Can you name me even one time when someone else raced to the Americans in trouble? I don't think there was outside help even during the San Francisco earthquake.

Our neighbors have faced it alone, and I'm one Canadian who is damned tired of hearing them get kicked around. They will come out of this thing with their flag high. And when they do, they are entitled to thumb their nose at the lands that are gloating over their present troubles. I hope Canada is not one of those."

Stand proud, America!

This news article is thanks to Tom Costa Sr.

WHPA Bylaws: Art IV; sect 2B

All participants in the State Tournament must have their name on the back of their shirt. A five dollar fine shall be imposed for failing to comply.

SUSTAINED GLOOM STILL LINGERS OVER BELOIT

By Ralph Maylahn

The ray of hope that appeared, with the advent of a golf course and real estate development adjacent to our new building, has been extinguished.

It was hoped that such construction would result in sewer line construction immediately in front of our facility. The crushing blow fell. The sewer line probably will be built, not on our access road but probably on the next road north.

With warmer weather imminent and return to outdoor pitching, the restricted use of our indoor courts without a sewer system will not be a serious matter.

But what about next fall and winter, it looks like it will be more of the same situation that presently exists.

We are still looking for some one, who finds himself with excess funds of \$10,000 to \$12,000 for a mound system, that will enable the club to reach it's full potential.

Watch out for "FLYING IRON"

So it says on door at the at the new Beloit facility - without facilities. Oh, the most important part, the six courts, are in and active but some work remains to be done in the clubhouse.

"Workday," that's what Earl Paulson called it. About twenty-two members showed up with miniature tool bags one Saturday in March. Paulson arranged the workers in pairs and they actually paid a fee for the right to work. Court care and clay management became the primary projects of the day.

A couple of workers would stand 30, to 40 feet from the clay deposits, tossing bent pieces of iron onto the clay. Two more workers threw the funny iron things back, many, many times. There was an iron bar stuck in the clay and the workers took great delight in striking it. The place was resonant with a great deal of clanking. Workers continually encouraged other workers to work harder. One was heard to say, "Let's get going! Whadaya think this is - a game?"

Next they sprinkled a little water on and shoveled the clay upside down. This very fine clay was imported from Chenoa, Illinois. Then four different workers went through the whole process again.

It went on for hours, lunch break included. Finally through some sort of grading system the workers were paid. Only half the workers were paid. Three pairs had done such a good job they had equal pay coming and that wasn't allowed. Fortunately Bud Wicks work partner, Gordy LaChance, left the premises so the remaining good workers of the day pulled another shift. Best workers of the day were George Kuffer & Harry Laws, followed by Pete Kumlien and Ortho Purdy.

While the work progressed, four or five supervisors sat around playing cards. Bruce McLinn was one of them. He had some heart work done recently. He's OK but can't do the real work yet.

They were asking for volunteers to come in Monday for another work session of court care.

A Friend we'll Miss

Wayne Vanderhei

An avid horseshoe pitcher and pillar member of the Muskego Club, Wayne Vanderhei, passed away in March.

During the last State Tournament, Wayne had to call on his friend Wayne Franzen to fill in for him. It was said, at the time, that Wayne was not feeling too good. By that time treatments claimed that good looking hair he was known for.

It is with a heavy heart that we bid our friend goodbye. Sadly many of his horseshoe friends could not attend the final services as he was interred on the day of the WHPA Spring Meeting.

To Wayne's wife Judee, We are sorry we were not there to express our sympathy in person.

"To the world you might be one person, but to one person you might be the world."

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