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## Team-World 2011

-Jim Haupt

The winner? **Tennessee**, again. The 2010 champs repeat!

Team-World, the World Horseshoe Tournament of Beloit, Wisconsin, team style is on the books. Sixteen teams played three days with Tennessee outflanking Indiana. They did it by amassing 49 wins of the 60 games played in the round robin. **Indiana** came prepared qualifying with the highest percentage, but in the final play-off



game dropped three of the four games to **Joan Elmore, Marlene Ray, Max Griffith, and Jim Cooper** led by the ever present team manager, **Paula Hunsicker**.

The team plays a complete round robin attempting to qualify for a five team ladder play-off. **Tennessee** with 45 wins waited while **Wisconsin** with 42.5 wins lost to **Minnesota** at 43. It was an even match. Points added, **Minnesota** won by two. On the other

courts, **Indiana**, 36, took three from the **Illinois 2** team moving on to the final game. In

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## Spring Meeting

-Jim Haupt

WHPA President, **Tom Steinke** rapped his gavel to bring the meeting to order about 1:15 asking Secretary **John Secord** for the last minutes and the treasurer's report. Of note is the existing WHPA bank balance of \$2,837.

1st VP **Jane Smith** asked for continued reports of tournament results including three items: the sanction number, the top three places, and the sanction number of those pitchers. That's necessary to weed out of state pitchers. She also defined the Pitcher-of-the-Year limits to be: 45% and above, class A, 25% and below, class C, middle ground, class B. POY awards time period is based on the end of year averages. Most Improved award period is State Tournament to State Tournament. **Jimmy Paulson**,

2nd VP, turned over the floor to State Tournament Director, **Randy Rein**, representing the Little Bull Falls Club of Mosinee. Rein distributed a Campground and Motel sheet recommending the former Super 8 now called the Mosinee Inn. He promoted State "book" ads, suggesting 1/2 page size for clubs. State Tournament shirts, new design, are selling at \$14 or with pocket, \$15. The club will run the same "Spin the Wheel" game for prizes other than 'just booze.' With some luck, electronic scoring will be available on all 19 courts, he added. Verified by Jimmy.

Concessions this year will be on tap, 10:00am to 7:00pm, Rein promised, adding they will have a good supply of State T caps. Finally, Rein offered his services as consultant to any and all clubs who might consider using the Mosinee facility to host a State Tournament of their own. The city fathers,

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# Upcoming Events

		Entry Fee	D/L	Contact Person
June 25	Jerry Volz Memorial Open (unsanct. doubles)(outdoor) (4-person team)(limit 8 teams)	\$10/team \$20/team	6/23	Dave Volz Gary Volz
June 25-26	Ken Kosky Memorial Tournament (28-11-021)	\$18	6/12	Randy Rein
June 25-26	Goldendale Open (28-11-020)	\$15	6/5	Terry Sternberg (page 2)
July 02	The Patriot Tournament (Limit 48)(unsanctioned)	\$20		Kevin Brekke
July 9-10	Arkdale Open (28-11-022)	\$16	7/2	Ray Groskinsky
July 9-10	Beloit Southern Wisconsin Open	\$18	7/2	Earl Paulson
July 09	Lox Classic (limit 48) (28-10-023)	\$18	6/27	Rosemary Kamps
July 16	Rozellville Lions - Ball Weekend Tournament (28-11-024)	\$18	7/5	Mike Berdan
July 18-30	2011 World Tournament @ West Monroe, LA.	\$125		
Aug. 5, 6 & 7	37th Annual Eagle Open (unsanctioned)	\$20	7/21	Greg & Sue Scheff
Aug. 13-14	Mosinee Log Jam (28-11-025)	\$18	7/30	Ed Hack
Aug. 13-14	Tune-Up Tourney @ Beloit (28-11-026)	\$18	8/3	Earl Paulson
Aug. 16	City-County Tournament (28-11-040) (OPEN TO ALL)	\$5	8/11	Laurie Dolezel
Aug. 20	Green Bay Open (28-11-027)	\$18	8/6	Steve Wiegert
Aug. 20	Platteville Open (28-11-028)	\$16	8/13	Norm Mauthe
Aug. 27	Marv's Doubles (28-11-029)	\$21/team	8-19	Marv Bennett
Sept. 3-4	WI. State Tournament @ Mosinee (28-11-030, 031)	\$25	7/31	John Secord (page 17)
Sept. 10-11	Wet N Wild @ Centuria (28-11-032)	\$10	8/27	Jane Smith (page 2)

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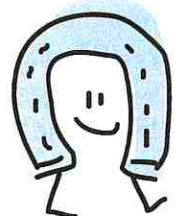
Contact Regional Director Ed Wheeler with all changes and corrections to the schedule (contact info on p.2)

## New WHPA Website

By Terry Sternberg

Heidi and I would like to start by apologizing to our membership for the past several years, of not keeping the former State website updated as it should have. It was originally setup, November of 1999, supplying our membership with easy access to information connected with our State Association. They had access to our Bylaws, Hall of Fame, State Champions, Awards, and most importantly, our State Tournament Schedule. All of this is still part of the main menu on the new website. A lot of the information is being transferred over from the former

website and new ideas added, like using the Google calendar for our State Tournament Schedule. I have been able to enter a lot of info about tournaments and their location. Members can setup their GPS or print off a copy of directions to find the location of particular tournament site. Heidi and I will take any suggestions under consideration. At this time, several people have complained about the advertisement on the website and to eliminate it. We could get a domain name at a cost—there is no cost now. I will bring this up at the Fall meeting. Hope everyone enjoys using the new WHPA website! [www.members.tripod.com/](http://www.members.tripod.com/)





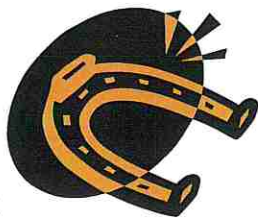
## Open Letter to Jim Haupt (In response to "Architect of the World Tournament")

From NHPA Sec-Treas Dick Hansen

Thank you for the kind words. To be the predominate reason you keep coming to the World Tournament is something I consider an honor and an accomplishment I never thought about. To have that much influence on someone is humbling to say the least.

My number one goal making the World Tournament schedule is to make as many of the 1200 +/- pitchers happy as possible. I long ago learned what you can't do is make them all happy. Over the years I learned to avoid running Elders classes at 7 a.m. and Women & Elders on the 8 p.m. shifts. No Elders pitched last year at 7 a.m.

The second goal is to pitch 4 shifts per day. But this is based totally upon the number of entries and courts. Sometimes that just can't be done. I have only 9 days for class play to get everyone in and 3 days for championship classes. This year we will have 48 courts. That puts 96 pitchers on each shift. At the start of the second week I need one shift each of Men, Women, Sr. Men, and Elders just to have enough top pitchers complete with



their pitching and ready to move up into the championship classes. That means I have room for only 96 of the top average Elders the second week without adding a 5th shift—and no one likes pitching until midnight.

Last year we had 346 Elders enter the World Tournament, a record number. That was broken down to 22 classes. Mr. Haupt, at 15% you were in the very bottom class, so for you to pitch the second week, all 22 classes of Elders would have to also pitch that week. There is just not enough time or courts to do that. The Elders is the fastest growing group at the World. Last year it took an average of 52% in the Elders to make the second week. Just 5 years ago it took 37% to make the second week with half as many classes.

So, the answer to your question and solution to you pitching the second week has nothing to do with me at all. My advice to you is, get better, improve your average so that you are one of the top pitchers at the World Tournament in the Elders division. I know you can do it Jim.

of discrimination where the older pitchers are concerned. It is my plea to everyone to think about and try to determine a plan to keep our elderly women pitchers. Quite a few elderly men might have left the game of horseshoes if they were not permitted to move to a shorter distance. Thank you for listening, reading, and perhaps making changes.

### Letter to the WHPA & NHPA

By Gloria Smith

Where have all the older lady horseshoe pitchers gone? My name is Gloria Smith and I have been pitching horseshoes since the early 1980s. I have pitched in the Wisconsin State and World Tournaments since 1989. I am 82 years young and for the past few years have been having a hard time getting the shoe to the stake. My shoes are about one inch short—open but not close enough to measure a ringer! I enjoy the game, people and friends I have met over the years. I do not want to quit pitching shoes. I have talked for years of some way to allow women over 70 to move closer to the stake. Men, at age 70 can move up; why not women over 70? We only need a step. I have heard the main cause of concern was too many foul lines. I would be willing to wear a patch on my shirt or have a different colored name tag that would give me an OK to step over the present foul line. One step for any lady over 70 would keep us pitching and smiling. While at the World Tournament in Cedar Rapids, I heard some of the older women talking to one of the NHPA officers about the possibility of moving up. It was suggested the change may begin at the local club level. The NHPA and WHPA are concerned with the loss of membership and we need to do something to keep the older ladies pitching. There seems to be a bit

### World Tournament 2011

By Terry Sternberg

On the weekend of Team World, **Dick Hansen** said that he has 453 entries so far, with 4 days to the deadline. As of May 25, there are now 806 entries for this year's World Tournament. As many of you know, this year's World Tournament is being held in Monroe, Louisiana. Lorraine and I were down in Monroe in January, along with Dick and Paulette Hansen and the other NHPA officers, for their winter meeting and to check out the tournament site. We were guided through the facility consisting of 2 buildings and plenty of office space for the tournament officials. It's a nice facility and the people from the Convention and Visitors Bureau and the Civic Center, were very hospitable. Anyone that hasn't signed up for the tournament will be missing a great opportunity to get a taste of Louisiana hospitality. Hope to see some of you in Monroe and Good Luck in the tournament.





## From the President

Summer leagues are under way. I certainly hope you have a league or two to play in. If not, call around. I'm sure there are teams looking for pitchers. Remember to talk to other players about the W.H.P.A. We have picked up a lot of new members, and we need more. The more players in tournaments, the better the tournaments are. Remember, if you want to go to the state tournament, you need 3 tourna-

ments before July 31.

This fall, officers up for election are president and 2nd vice president. I am not going to run for re-election. I have thought about it a lot, and I have decided it is time. I have enjoyed being president the last almost 8 years. But, like I said, it is time for new ideas. If you are interested in either position, contact a current officer or someone from your newsletter. Then it can be posted on bulletin before July 31.

Good Pitching, Tom

## Behind the Mask With Ken Heinritz

Never take for granted the hard work involved in producing a good harvest. Many essential factors come with the territory for the serious gardener whose goal is to see plentiful crops at harvest time. First, he needs to decide on the best location for his garden, and this is critical. Will it get proper sunlight/shade? Testing the soil is a good idea and then adding the missing nutrients. Of course every spring the hard soil must be broken up. Then the seeds need to be planted at the right depth and proper spacing and at the right time. Regular watering must take place. And of course what we all enjoy—the weeding. Thinning out plants and possible pruning may be necessary. Don't forget to be pro-active concerning pests and making sure that your plants are receiving proper pollination. From there, routine maintenance is in order throughout the summer until that 'great day'. Don't forget to ask God to bless the work of your hands, knowing that He ultimately is in charge.

This is no small task, but when harvest time comes, the months of hard work are all forgotten. It suddenly is worth it all.

Let me tell you that every time I attend the Team World Competition in

Beloit, Wisconsin, I look around and everywhere I turn, I see fruit! Sixteen 4 or 5 person teams showed up May 13<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> with the goal to claim the coveted Team Champions of the World. To be sure, many are there because they love competing with the best and know full well that top honors will very likely elude them.

But the laughter mixed with serious competition and sheer enjoyment of the 3-day tourney would not be had if it were not for all the hours of prep work that goes on leading up to the harvest.

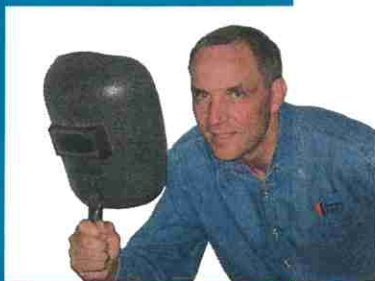
The success of the event actually begins months in advance. The **Beloit Club** has Team World running as smoothly as a well-oiled machine. "We should have it down by now," says **Earl Paulson**, club tournament director and long time member of the club. "We've been doing it here for the past 22 years."

Make no mistake, when work needs to be done, this club doesn't retreat. The set-up of the 24 courts involves the help of at least 25 members. They haul in 25 barrels of clay, lay down the carpeting and mark out the foul lines. This year **Bob Johnson** of Waukegan, Illinois made a tamper with spikes that would allow the water to mix in with the clay faster. **Bob and Norm Beckius** worked all the clay in shape for the tournament.

**Dan Lessman** made the wooden tabletops for the laptop computers and received help from Virgil Smith in assem-

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**State Doubles Class Champions**

**2011 Walking Doubles Results**

**Championship Class winners for the 2011 Walking Doubles tournament at Beloit, Pam Aiken and Tony Scrima.**



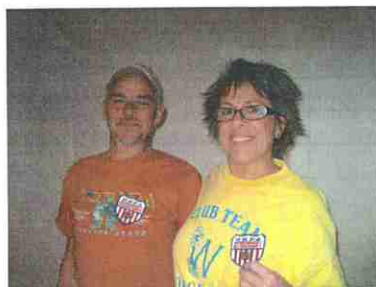
**Class A  
Kiri Cook Aleena Cook**

**Class B  
Ivan Ruzic Randy Mitchell**



**Class C  
John Brugger Russ Heinritz**

**Class D  
Kurt Jochimsen John Drexler**



**Class E  
Randy White Lisa White**

**Championship Class**

1. Tony Scrima/Pam Aiken	5/1	53.06
2. Norm Gage / Randy Rein	4/2	44.17
3. John Koepp / Jim Larson	3/2	44.67
4. Bethany & Ken Heinritz	2/3	42.33
5. Galen Kozal / Penny Steinke	1/4	43.33
6. Dave Ninnemann / Jeff Gustafson	1/4	33.00

**Class A**

1. Kiri / Aleena Cook	6/2	37.38
2. Ed Mell / Don Illgen	5/3	36.11
3. Norm Beckius / Paul Wilson	4/3	29.29
4. Elaine Troullier / Cal Pitel	3/3	32.22
5. John Dolezel / Lonny Tranngsrud	2/3	33.67
6. Kerry Morris / Ray Groskinsky	1/4	35.00

**Class B**

1. Randy Mitchell / Ivan Ruzic	5/0	36.00
2. Leroy Meyer / Bill Matey	4/1	36.00
3. Harry Zdroik / Cliff Erickson	3/2	31.33
4. Dale Schamberg / Lloyd Johnson	2/3	32.00
5. John Brophy / Jim Heim	1/4	21.67
6. David Weitzrak / Tom Endler	0/0	25.33

**Class C**

1. Russ Heinritz / John Brugger	4/2	35.83
2. Russ Burns / Bruce McLinn	4/2	25.28
3. Steve Wiegert / Steve Mielke	4/2	24.17
4. Rick Weller / David Volz	3/3	23.61
5. Carl Schliem / Rowen Swick	3/3	20.28
6. Dick Hanold / Jerry Gossen	1/5	16.11
7. Art Collien / Ken Jaeger Jr.	0/6	13.06

**Class D**

1. Kurt Jochimsen / John Drexler	6/0	28.89
2. Ray Lopez / Geore Maraza	4/2	24.72
3. Debby Schell-Kotnik / Karen Henkel	3/3	21.92
4. Pete Kumlin / Jim Haupt	3/3	19.72
5. Scott Linhart / Leo Linhart	3/3	19.16
6. Earl Paulson / Tom Steinke	2/4	19.44
7. Ed Hack / Trent Bratland	0/6	15.00

**Class E**

1. Randy / Lisa White	7/0	23.09
2. Joel / Matt Ramsdell	5/2	19.05
3. Mike Zahn / John Secord	4/3	20.23
4. Randy / Christina Heinritz	4/3	15.71
5. Tom Bird / Rondi Mengelt	3/4	14.05
6. Kevin Brekke / Jimmy Paulson	3/4	13.80
7. Dave Palmershiem / Greg Bergles	2/5	12.14
8. Barb Ramquist / Steve Mengelt	0/7	7.38



**Class A**

<b>Heinritz Clan</b>	<b>15/5</b>	
Ken Heinritz	5 0	55.60%
Bethany Heinritz	5 0	51.60%
Tim Lazaris	2 3	37.60%
Russ Heinritz	3 2	33.60%

**Mosinee One**

	<b>12/8</b>	
Randy Rein	5 0	54.00%
Ivan Ruzic	3 2	48.80%
Greg Hehling	2 3	36.40%
Kurt Jochimsen	2 3	30.40%

**Beloit I**

	<b>10/10</b>	
Jesse Garza	1 4	46.40%
Roger Ehlers	3 2	42.40
Paul Wilson	3 2	39.20%
Dan Bloom	3 2	38.80%

**Class B**

**Beloit 2**

	<b>18/6</b>	
Jeff Gustafson	5 1	39.17%
Bruce McLinn	4 2	35.83%
Norm Beckius	5 1	32.5%
Bowen Swick	4 2	32.5%

**Combined Locks**

	<b>14/10</b>	
Cal Pitel	4 2	48.33%
Bill Matey	4 2	36.67%
Elaine Troullier	2 4	32.5%
Leroy Meyer	4 2	29.58%

**Adams County**

	<b>12.5 / 11.5</b>	
Ray Groskinsky	3.5 2.5	35.42%
David Wietrzak	4 2	33.75%
Jerry Schoeder	4 2	30.83%



**Class A  
Club Team  
Champs  
  
Heinritz  
Clan**

**Club-Team 2011 -JH**

The family **Heinritz** stuck together winning the Club Team in decided fashion; fifteen of twenty games, no doubt about it, they are the champs.

Uncle **Ken**, niece, **Bethany**, nephew, **Tim Lazaris**, brother, **Russ** all play on the farmyard courts on the Heinritz Homestead in Colgate.

The number two seed, the first team of Little Bull Falls of Mosinee maintained the second position.

The trophy was passed on by the Close Doesn't Count Club, experiencing a dropout, and finishing fourth. Top seed, Beloit I wound up third.

While class A was 6 teams, B, C, and D were 7 teams totaling 108 pitchers this year and no play-off games! Beloit 2 was a steady bunch winning B class with 18 of 24 games.

The Deansville two team took C class with 16 of the 24 games. It gets better. In class D, Deansville 3 won 79% of their games, 19 of 24 games.

Two of the three Deansville teams walked out with a trophy, and shirts. The club of the year.

Some may believe the Club event is big money. It is. This year entries totaled \$2268, but it's tough to keep it as awards. Expenses, including WHPA fees, a NHPF donation, building rental, etc., etc. amounts to over \$6 per pitcher. One has to pay strict attention to awards and their distribution.

Club Team has seen the advent of the computer. It was somewhat of a task to turn in matchups before the game, but those courts without computers took the brunt of the new operation while the computer courts coasted. More laptops will solve the situation, that is, if **Jimmy Paulson** is still on the scene.

Thanks for coming. See you all again, next year.

**(Class C & D on Page 12)**

2011 Club Team champions (Heinritz Clan) on the left receiving the traveling trophy from 2010 Club Team Champions (Close Doesn't Count) Tiffany Syring, Norm Gage, Dave Ninnemann, Edie McKinney.



**Class B  
Club  
Team  
Champs  
  
Beloit  
2**





## Eau Claire Early Bird 28-11-038

May 7, 2011 By John Dolezel

A smaller than usual attendance was accompanied by warmer than normal temperatures for this early tournament at Carson Park, allowing pitchers to play in short sleeves. With just 24 participants, all classes played at the same time on our 18 clay courts, beginning at noon. There was a scramble in Class B with **Greg Hehling, John Dolezel, and Dean Chaffee** finishing round robin play with 4-1 records. In Class D, **B.J. Paul** proved you don't have to throw the high average to take 1st place. Despite the smaller turnout, everything went smoothly and it appeared that everyone had a great time.

### Class A

1. Ron Craigmile	MN	63.6	5-0
2. Jim Bilderback	WI	55.6	3-2
3. Lonny Trangsrud	WI	51.6	3-1

### Class B

1. Greg Hehling	WI	31.7	6-1
2. John Dolezel	WI	42.6	5-2
3. Dean Chaffee	WI	28	4-2

### Class C

1. Tom Dudenhoefer	WI	31.2	5-0
2. Frank Johnson	WI	36.	4-1
3. Bernie Human	WI	25.2	3-2

### Class D

1. B.J. Paul	WI	18.8	5-0
2. Mark Anderson	WI	22.8	4-1
3. Rich Bryant	WI	20.8	3-2

### The way I saw it -JH

Sunday, the first day of daylight saving had its casualties. Our nine man class wound up with two byes. New guy, **Gene Friede**, of nearby Stoughton, had to instruct his 65 head of beef cattle to rise an hour earlier. Through some creative game manipulation, the Klash man, **Kerry Morris**, put us on track. Our class got out of the way around Noon so's class A could take over. Had to leave the barn early, but would be interested to learn how the latest addition to Class A fared. Waukesha guy, **Galen Kozel**, recently switched to thirty feet and entered this fray with a 57+ percentage! This is the end of the season for the Deansville operation, a nice place to pitch horse-shoes and conducted by experienced personnel.

## Rozellville Lions

By Sonia Cook

Rozellville Lions Fishing Weekend tournament was met with less than half the entries... almost going fish'in but without enough minnows.

Saturday brought chilly temps and wind to bat-

tle—along with a family funeral which removed 4 Cooks and 4 Davids. The rest of the pitchers spanned 44%, so a round robin with handicap was played with interesting competition. Class A-1—**Ivan Ruzic** pulled out all wins; however, a couple of the games were quite close (pun intended). Interesting first tourney for new pitcher **Jim Berdan** (yes, Mike's dad).

Returning to pitch on Sunday... Class A-2—**Kiri Cook** started at a good pace and won all games with 47%; **Aleena Cook** fought hard the

last game for the upset having only 3 ringers difference but just short (pun intended). Class A-3—**Cathy Asmundsen** commanded the pits winning all five games with 51.2%.

### Class A-1

1st	Ivan Ruzic	3rd	Mike Berdan
2nd	John Drexler		

### Class A-2

1st	Kiri Cook	3rd	Craig David
2nd	Kurt Jochimsen		

### Class A-3

1st	Cathy Asmundsen	3rd	Gunnar David
2nd	Sonia Cook		

## Klash with Kerry

By Rudy Van Fleet

### Class A

1	Jim Larson	6-1	60.7%
2	Don Illgen	5-2	54.6%
3	Tony Scrima	5-2	53.6%

### Class B

1	Michelle Plaisance	6.5-.5	42.9%
2	Bun Carley	6-1	46.5%
3	Tip Wipperfurth	4.5-2.5	37.1%

### Class C

1	Dave Klipstein	7-0	42.5%
2	Dave Volz	6-1	42.5%
3	Ron Lingard	5-2	32.1%

### Class D

1	Rich Conrad	4-2	19.2%
2	Don Peroutka	4-2	17.9%
3	Ed Wheeler	4-2	17.1%



Dennis Keiser's grandkids, **Kaitlyn and Alex Tyznik**, pitched in the **EC Early Bird, Class D**. They finished, then cheered for Grandpa's ringers!



## Goldendale Horseshoe Club

**Germantown** By Terry Sternberg

This story begins about a man with a dream, **Ed Wing** of Germantown, Wisconsin, who founded the Goldendale Horseshoe Club in 1972. As a devoted horseshoe pitcher since 1925, he was inducted into the Wisconsin Hall of Fame in 1978. With the help of others, he constructed five clay courts, organized leagues, and held the club's first tournament. This tournament, in 1973, was the first in the State to incorporate a Junior Class. A few years later, two more courts were added. The club and courts are located at the Lone Star Tavern on Goldendale Road, Germantown, where the Goldendale Open is still held in June to this day—ask **John Secord**; he's made every one of them. The tournament formerly drew entries from as far south as Northern Illinois and Indiana to as far north as the Ashland area.



In 1978, Ed, with the help of his daughter, **Susie Pritzlaff**, requested to be part of the newly formed NHPA Sanctioned League Program and thus became one of the thirteen original sanctioned league clubs. Susie was the club's sanctioned league director until she turned it over to **Lorraine Sternberg**, who, as many may know, became the NHPA 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President and the National Sanctioned League Program Director for the past 12 years.

Of Ed's four grandsons, two are former Junior Boys State Champions, **Randy Pritzlaff** and his brother, **Brett**. A third, is a former Men's State Champion, **Rick Pritzlaff**, who also served as the WHPA State President for 10 years.

The Goldendale Club has been fortunate to have a number of its members over the years, earning State Champion titles and one Junior Girl's World Champion title, **Heidi (Sternberg) Poppe**. Heidi and her sister, **Renee (Sternberg) Simonz**, are also former Junior Girls State Champions. Their mother, **Lorraine Sternberg**, is a 7-time Women's State Champion with an average high of 80 %. Another Club member, **Don Kangas**, earned the Men's State title in 1989. The Club also has a number of members that were inducted in the WHPA's Hall Of Fame: **Ed Wing** (1978), **Susie Pritzlaff** (1987),

**Ralph Maylahn** (1990), **Rick Pritzlaff**, (1995), **Howard Voiles** (1996), Jim Haupt (1996), **Lorraine Sternberg** (2002) and **Terry Sternberg** (2006). At one time the club had leagues four nights a week, with several nights having two shifts. At present we have leagues two nights a week, Tuesday and Wednesday. All the leagues are setup with handicap, making it more competitive and fair, which the Sanctioned League Program is all about.

The Club's present officers are **Jenny McTavish**, President, and **Barb Peters**, Secretary – Treasurer. Over the years, the Club's officers and members have tried their best in the promotion of our Sport, such as supporting a Club website with information on events and contacts. [www.members.tripod.com/ghc0](http://www.members.tripod.com/ghc0)

## Walking Doubles 2011

By, Jim Haupt

Old Champs make a come-back. **Pam Aiken and Tony Scrima**. In 1998, **Scrima and Ralph Maylahn** were doubles champions. **Aiken** did it with **Lorraine Sternberg**. Still at it and now as a pair, they have returned to the winners' circle treating onlookers to a play-off game with the formidable team of **Randy Rein and Norm Gage**, who had earlier forced the final game defeating our eventual winners. Throughout the play-off game it proved hard to get a lead of any measure. Cancel, cancel, cancel. In the low scoring game, 6 points decided the champions.

Class A winners **Kiri and Aleena Cook** waded through two extra games, last ones to finish, and finally won over **Norm Beckius and Paul Wilson**.

**Randy Mitchell and Ivan Ruzic** won class B in straight games going 5/0. D class was a 7-team taken in straight sets by **Kurt Jochimsen and John Drexler**.

The 2011 Walking Doubles had to scratch four entries. Just 25 teams pitching in the WHPA Doubles when there are open courts for 48 teams spells disaster for such a special statewide event. Other tournaments may suffer for lack of entries, but we accept that we have so many more tournaments on the schedule that some tournament entries will subside. That is not the situation for the State Doubles which is a stand-alone event. If there's something wrong, let's fix it. If you, y-o-u, did not participate in the Doubles, for crying out loud, let us know why. We invite your comments in this Newsletter or to a State Officer. All comments, the more derogatory the better, are welcome.



## Behind the Mask Continued

bling the stands for the scoring monitors.

The computerized scorekeeping duties went to **Jimmy Paulson** (Earl's grandson), who majored in Computer Networking at UW-Whitewater. This responsibility involved compiling individual match-ups, inputting the names into the main host computer and sending the info out to each court monitor and laptop before every game. "Without Jimmy, we wouldn't have attempted computerized scoring," Earl says.

The announcing duties went to Jeff Secord, previously held by **Dick Hansen, Len Meistad, Tom Roanhouse, Howie Voiles**. **Jeff Secord** also was in charge of the official coin toss.

**John Secord** was busy posting updates on the bulletin board as the event progressed, and he also was responsible for getting payment out to scorekeepers.

The scorekeeping duties were handled by many, including **Bob and Dell Wollard** of Florida who make their summer home in these parts.

The NHPA NatStats guy **Rob Hagman** of Minnesota was on hand along with the expertise of **Jerry LaBrosse** to add assistance to Jimmy with computer issues.

And who can forget our concession volunteers—

### The Travels of new Hall of Fame inductee Mark Stevens

By Steve Stevens

Looking back at Mark's career, I remember many of his opponents. Back in the 70s he made class A at Big Fork, MN, pitching with **Frank Stinson, Marv Richmond, and Andy Paglarini**. The Duluth open found him pitching the **Lipovskys, Dale and Lenny, Larry Ambrose**, Iowa's **Ralph Simon, and Ray Hill**, MI, with whom he would team up to pitch leagues for years to come. Trips to the U.P. brought matches with **Denny Carlson and Don Kangas**. First mixed class play came in Marshfield with **Jane Smith**. We made long drives to Kewaskum and Germantown to face **Ralph Maylahn**. More long drives took us to Platteville to play **Will Foelske and Red Henton**. Early Team-World tournaments at the Pitchin' Palace meant



From left to right: John Secord, Jeff Secord, and Jimmy Paulson

**Dan Lessman, Carl Schliem and Ken Beebe**— who spent countless hours in the hot kitchen. And it's not uncommon for the wives of these club members to lend a helping hand by making delicious desserts such as pumpkin bars.

**Rondi Mengelt** along with **Georgia Beebe and Marge Rein** sold raffle tickets. And the dedicated 89-year-old staple, **Kenny Lovaas**, ran the bar.

Though this event takes place in the middle of May, February 1<sup>st</sup> is when the club gets started on selling ads for the program book. This World Class event is aided by the help of 10 additional sponsors which allows for bigger prize money packages.

As treasurer of this tournament, Earl has the responsibility of writing out all the checks. He adds, "We are very fortunate to have a good bunch of workers who put in the time & get the place set-up."

The entire NHPA is fortunate to have such a fine group of people whose planning and hard work, year after year, allows us to share in the bountiful harvest. A BIG thank you goes out to the Beloit club president '**Mouse**' **Beckius** and the entire Beloit Club for yet another job 'well done'.

**The seeds of good deeds become a tree of life . . ."** Proverbs 11:30 NTV

games with **Don Peters, Charley Webb, and Cliff Baker**. He had some late night matches in Eau Claire World, 1987, against **Kapnis, Zadroga, O'Conner, and Kuchinski**. He made two trips to Spearfish, two to Gillette and one to Pocatello. Mark even made it to Nashville, thanks to **Ken Kosky**, to face **Allan Francis**. There were some tough State Tournament matches with **Randy Rein, Gus Schram, and Steve Wiegert**. Last summer, we went to four northern towns to play in tournaments new to us. They were: Chetek, Bruce, Spooner, and Birchwood. Two other tournaments were in Brule and Jump River. We were surprised at all the new pitchers we met.

How a family game in the backyard where ringers once counted five and leaners two, can turn into a lifetime of traveling to tournaments and meeting all the great people in the world, amazes me to no end. See you down the tournament trail, Steve Stevens



## Spring Meeting

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he said, would welcome you. **Jimmy Paulson** suggested issuing a tournament flyer to be posted at all clubs and/or pitching places. He who suggested had to make good. The provider will be he. The new WHPA brochures were sent out hoping all would find a way to prospective pitchers.

**Mark Gagnon**, Eau Claire Club President, assured members that the club and the city will welcome 2012 State Tournament pitcher with open arms but right now snow shovels would be needed to clear the 18 court area.

**Jimmy Paulson** asked those thinking of a 2014 State Tournament to come forth and be prepared to bid at the Fall Meeting.

**Sonia Cook**, 3rd VP, has raffle tickets available. The raffle has become the preferred method to raise funds for the Junior Scholarship Fund. Cook asked for a balance of \$7729.50. Also Gunnar David has issued a challenge to all clubs, get in on the action for \$25, and Cook added that State Champion style jackets are available to all; contact Sonia Cook.

**Lorraine Sternberg**, in one of her last reports as NHPA 3rd VP, issued plaques and certificates to pitchers noted in the 'Top Ten' of the sanctioned league program found elsewhere in this issue.

**Dick Hansen**, NHPA Sec-Treas., answered his letter delivered in the last issue and provided a copy you will find on another page. He verified that three are running for Lorraine's 3rd VP job. He distributed a "rack card," recently published by **Tina Hawkins**, meant to attract more members from wherever it may be displayed in public places. The World Tournament bid expected in convention this year will not include Green Bay. Some misunderstanding of funds required got in the way. The 2014 bid will come from Utah and Pennsylvania.

**Hansen** gave us a heads up on the new NHPA raffle run by **Jerry LaBrosse** with big awards. An entire week of motel expense at Knoxville with amenities and other awards demand a big ticket price, \$5 each or 5 for \$20, limited number but available during the Team-World Tournament and up to the draw, July 28th at the World Tournament.

**Eddie Wheeler**, the NHPA Regional Director for Wisconsin set May 20th for tournament directors patch order deadline. He further announced that he is reluctantly retiring his position as of today. His reason

reasons remain personal but we can tell you it was an emotional moment.

The 2011 WHPA Hall of Fame inductee was named to be, **Mark Stevens**, former 3-time State Champion from Marengo. Find a piece on Stevens on other pages.

**Terry Sternberg** had a hand in updating the WHPA website available at <http://members.tripod.com/whpa>. The tournament schedule calendar is the focal point.

**Kevin Brekke** in announcing a repeat of the Edgerton 4th of July event, stating that free advertising is available through the community if tournament directors care to take advantage.

**Randy Rein** told of \$30,000 of Wausau area money could be raised for planners of a World event.

Money became the topic. Green Bay had only the minimum, \$21,000 while Hansen said \$50,000 is actually needed.

The 'Bring a Pal' doubles worked out well for the Beloit Club, reported **Earl Paulson**. The parking lot was full. Spectators abounded and some of the new pitchers are already club members. Paulson sees this as a way to attract pitchers who would normally pitch only in bar leagues.

**Tony Scrima** asked, "Just who picks the top Wisconsin Team-World pitchers and how?"

The answer revealed that the current process was a little sketchy, which prompted **John Secord** to agree to be the go-to guy appointing and notifying the top four pitchers basing their eligibility on the end-of-the-year averages.


The WI team this year is expected to be **Randy Rein, Jim Larson, Gert Wilcziek, and James Bilderback**.

With the unexpected retirement of Regional Director, **Eddie Wheeler**, the WHPA is shopping for a replacement. **Jim Haupt** agreed to take the job on an interim basis.

**Tom Steinke** put members on alert saying this will be his last year as president. A new president will be elected at the Fall Meeting, October 15, 2011.



Jane Smith, recipient of the 2011 Ken Kosky Memorial Award.



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**Club-Team Class C**

<b>Deansville 2</b>			<b>16 / 8</b>
Ed Mell	4	2	35%
Joe Ellinger	3	3	34.58%
Al Huizenga	4	2	34.17%
Ron Lingard	5	1	31.67%
<b>Beloit 4</b>			<b>15 / 9</b>
Dutch Rittweger	6	0	33.75%
Dan Lessman	4	2	29.17%
Joel Ramsdell	3	3	26.25%
Jim Huckabee	2	4	25%
<b>Green Bay</b>			<b>14 / 10</b>
Steve Weigert	3	3	27.5%
Jerry Gossen	5	1	25.83%
Dick Hanold	2	4	23.33%
Steve Mielke	4	2	22.92%

**Beloit Spring Fling April 3, 2011**

By Jane Smith



**Class Winners,  
Dan Lessman and  
Gunnar David**



**Class C  
Club Team  
Champs  
Deansville 2**

**Club-Team Class D**

<b>Deansville 3</b>			<b>19 / 5</b>
Michelle Plaisance	6	0	31.67%
Randy White	5	1	23.75%
Lisa White	5	1	19.17%
Gene Satterstrom	3	3	12.08%
<b>Kenosha 3</b>			<b>18 / 6</b>
Greg Bergles	5	1	26.67%
Bob Johnson	5	1	22.08%
Dale Schamberg	6	0	21.67%
Dave Palmerschiem	2	4	14.58%
<b>Beloit 7</b>			<b>14 / 11</b>
Ken Beebe	6	0	25%
Dave Carpenter	1	5	17.50%
Rondi Mengelt	3.5	2.5	16.67%
Robert Starck	3	3	13.75%



**Beloit Encore Class E**



**Beloit Encore Class F**



**Class D  
Club Team  
Champs  
Deansville 3**

**Class A**

Dennis Reid	IL	5	0
Galen Kozel	WI	3	2
Paul Wilson	WI	3	2

**Class B**

Gunnar David	WI	4	1
John Garvan	WI	4	1
Al Huizenga	WI	3	2

**Class C**

Dutch Rittweger	IL	4	1
Walt Houck	IL	3.5	1.5
Steve Kampmeier	IL	3	2

**Class D**

Dan Lessman	IL	6	0
Dean Foster	IL	4	2
Jim Tollefson	WI	4	2

**Class E**

James Gaspers	IL	5	0
Guy Modde	IL	4	1
Gary Schmitz	WI	2	3

**Class F**

Bob Johnson	IL	5	0
Rick Borgwardt	WI	4	1
Julie Petrovski	IL	2	3

**Class G**

Russ Burns	WI	5	1
Mike Lange	WI	5	1
Georgia Beebe	IL	3	3

**Class H**

Dick Poff	WI	5	0
Eugene Stevens	WI	3	2
Jim Haupt	WI	3	2

**Class I**

Linda Roeber	WI	4	1
Dick Perkins	WI	4	1
Rondi Mengelt	WI	3	2

**Class J**

Robert Starck	WI	5	0
Rick Swan	IL	3	2
Wayne Goers	IL	3	2

**Class K**

Randy White	WI	6	0
John DeVault	IL	4	2
John Carlton	IL	2	4

**Class L**

Ed Dolan	IL	6	0
Anna Goers	IL	3	3
Brady Bretzinger	IL	2	4



## Stuff You Could Read in Newslines

By Jim Haupt

For twelve dollars a year you could read this stuff firsthand. **Lorraine Sternberg**, 3rd VP announced some NHPA scholarships were awarded to Wisconsinites in the 2009-10 year. **Aleena Cook** of the Fleet Reserve Horseshoe Club, Marshfield, WI received \$125. **Bethany Heinritz** of the Homestead Horseshoe League, Menomonee Falls, WI received \$100 as did **Naomi Williamson** of the Close Doesn't Count League, Centuria, WI. Of the ten Juniors receiving the NHPA awards, three are from our state.

### The 2010 TOP TEN LIST for Sanctioned Leagues

Ranking 3rd in the nation for high ringer game is Randy Rein of the Little Bull Falls Club, Mosinee with 86.67%. **Ray Groskinsky** of Arkdale was eighth with a 77% game. **Lloyd Williamson** ranked eighth in the High Ringer over average category with 31.72. In the Women's division, High Ringer Average **Gert Wilcziek** of the Eau Claire Club led the pack, highest in the nation—78.33%. **Penny Steinke** of the Muskego Moose League notched 63.33% in tenth place. **Gert Wilcziek** also tied for second place pitching a High Ringer Game of 88%. **Tammy Wild** of the

## Pitcher of the Year Update

By Jane Smith

With 25 of 43 total events, the Pitcher of the Year divisions are interesting! Mere points separate the top five pitchers in each division. Pitchers are placed in Divisions A, B, or C depending on their 2010 year end average. Division percentages were adjusted this year to better accommodate more pitchers eligible to win the awards. Division A included averages over 40%; Division B averages between 25% and 39.33%; Division C averages under 25%. All contenders are listed in alphabetical order. Division A: **Pam Aiken, John Garvan, Bruce McLinn, Randy Rein, Ivan Ruzic, Tony Scrima**. Division B: **Kurt Jochimsen, Ed Mell, Kerry Morris, Joel Ramsdell, Dave Volz**. Division C: **Mell Cook, Jimmy Paulson, Linda Roeber, Gene Satterstrom, Tom Steinke, Randy White**. We are entering the summer pitching season so there are plenty of tournaments to enter, place, and gain points for this prestigious award.

Beloit Encore Class G (left) & Class H (right)



Coulee Region Club made tenth in the high Ringer over Average with 30.32.

Junior Pitchers were also cited. **Gunnar David** of the Marshfield Fleet Reserve Club was mentioned as ninth with a high point game of 84 and 3rd in High Points Over Average, 36.06 and he was fourth in High Ringer over Average. Same Category, **Travis Johnson** of the Arkdale Club placed 3rd with 30.80. Girls High Ringer over Average found **Naomi Williamson**, Close Doesn't Count, Centuria, in 5th with 15.49. It is Lorraine's fervent wish that more would apply for the NHPA Scholarship Program.



Beloit Encore Class A (left) and Class C



## Beloit Encore May 7, 2011

By Julie Paulson

### Class A

1. Dennis Reid	IL	6 1	67.50
2. Richard Andrysiak	IL	6 1	58.87
3. Galen Kozel	WI	5 2	60.36

### Class B

1. Dalton Simmons	IL	6 1	46.07
2. Bruce McLinn	WI	4.5 2.5	39.29
3. Milt Larsen	WI	4 3	39.64

### Class C

1. Bob Bowser	IL	5 2	38.93
2. Julian Tijerina	WI	5 2	33.21
3. Walt Houck	IL	4 3	34.64

### Class D

1. Bob Johnson	IL	6 1	26.07
2. Joel Ramsdell	WI	5 2	26.07
3. Ray Lopez	WI	4 3	29.64

### Class E

1. Herman Robisch	IL	7 0	32.50
2. Russ Burns	WI	6 1	26.43
3. Richard Conrad	WI	3 4	25.36

### Class F

1. Randy White	WI	7 0	28.57
2. Roger Kitner	IL	5 2	24.64
3. Jim Haupt	WI	5 2	20.00

### Class G

1. Ken Hopp	IL	6 1	11.79
2. Steve Nelson	IL	5.5 1.5	16.43

### Class H

1. Becky Goers	IL	5 2	5.71
2. John Devault	IL	3 4	2.50



## Team-World 2011

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consolation play, **Wisconsin** took three from **Illinois** 2 for fourth place.

In individual performance, **Joan Elmore** led the field with no losses and high percentage of 80.16.



**Herschel Walters**, IN registered 77.9%. Other standouts were **Gert Wilcziek**, WI, at 71.18% and **Marlene Ray** with 70.63%. Some pitchers pitched near their entering average. Some pitched over average. **Kevin Chambers**, MO, exceeded his average by six plus points. **Austin Bailey**, IL, was five points over average. The best over average performance was by **Terry Beagle**, MO, almost ten points up, 53.7 to 62.2.

The short distance, 30 feet, has impacted entry. Two years ago the team relaxed entry requirements allowing three 30' pitchers per team. This year 58% of the entries pitched the short distance and just 35% of them were female.

Speaking percentages, 25% of the field were new to Team-World, resulting a return factor of 75%. And, yes, Team-World is hoping to return to the days of a 24 team field.

Where else can one see this group of friends? Little **Chuck Blakeley** made it once again. **Harvey Wobbe** was here selling shirts out of his van. **Dick Dvorak** scored at least one double. He called, "Nine," in place of "3-3". Heard a new one; **Dale Lipovsky**, apparently flustered, called, "Four dead—one." The computer guy, **Rob Hagman**, pitched a few, learning the game. And where else can one attend a chapel service before pitching? The NHPA Chaplain,



**Ken Heinritz**, conducts a fine service. On top of that, good camaraderie carries on, not only in the day room, but on the courts as well.



All scoring was done by computer. It seemed that most pitchers were already acquainted with the newer method. One glitch; with this team tournament, matchups are unknown. The computer can be loaded with opponents' names only after the coin flip to determine which captain chooses those matchups. This was the only occurrence of a pencil in the hands of a pitcher; mission accomplished! Subsequently, the MC, **Jeff Secord**, read the captain's choices as **Jimmy Paulson** typed in the names. The rest was up to the machine. The two young guys, **Secord and Paulson** were key to the success of the three-day event, with the help of 12 laptops and 24 monitors.



Thus, we have all the equipment and dedicated personnel to conduct a fine team tournament. Now we need a few more teams. Come to Beloit, where the action is. The beer tap runs freely after 10:00 a.m.

## Team World Results

By Jeff Secord

Team	Wins	Rds	70% +	Avg %
Tennessee	52	16	30	66.41%
Indiana	43	18	20	60.59%
Minnesota #1	46	17	11	62.24%
Wisconsin #1	47.5	17	16	59.49%
Illinois #2	47	16	9	59.25%
Missouri #1	34.5	15	13	55.00%
Michigan	33.5	15	5	51.58%
Minnesota #2	32	15	5	53.21%
Illinois #1	31	15	5	55.21%
Minnesota #3	28	15	1	45.13%
Wisconsin #2	27	15	4	49.33%
Illinois #3	26.5	15	1	45.13%
Iowa	24	15	2	49.46%
Missouri #2	16	15	2	42.04%
Wisconsin #3	8	15	2	33.54%
Missouri #3	4	15	2	31.25%



**DOWN 'N BACK**

with Jim Haupt.

Towards the end of the Spring Meeting, **Jim Haupt** made the **Ken Kosky Memorial Award**. His words: "We have the honor to present the annual Ken Kosky Memorial Award. It is presented to that person that most strikes the selector's eye as the volunteer of the year."

The recipient of 2011 is **Jane Smith**. This is not the first time nor will it be the last time we can thank Jane for all that she has done for our sport. We know of no one who has done so much for the game and asked for little in return.

Jane, Please accept this award in thanks for all you have done for us."

The plaque was engraved with three names: "**Ken Kosky, Casey Jones, and Jane Smith.**" There followed a pic of three aces and the words, "3 of a Kind."

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Horseshoe pitchers usually turn out to be good friends. Just how good, you may ask.

It was during a game of the State Doubles Tournament when some guy's pants were continuously slipping. An opponent, **Debby Shell-Kotnick**, came to the rescue re-snapping his suspenders. Now that's a good friend.

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More good friends. Disastrous occurrence, during awards at the Club-Team Tournament, happened when it was later discovered a second place team received first place money. The difference was \$76. Thankfully, the Com Lox team of **Cal Pitel, Bill Matey, Elaine Troullier, and Moose Meyer** dug deep returning the balance.

We may get pushed a little at times, but we are all still friends.

An award was presented at the start of the Club-Team to **Steve Wiegert** for his part in entering a Green Bay team in every Club-Team event for the past 27 years.

The trophy, a hand carved figurine of "Herman the Horseshoe Pitcher," is one of a kind, same as his new owner. Wiegert agrees to return the trophy next year to keep it in circulation for the next standout pitcher of Club-Team.

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**Ken Posmer** and his group turned the day room at the Telfer arena into a bistro following the Club-Team event. It was more of the Thursday

Night Pickers. Posmer introduced a new song he has written, "The Beloit Polka." It's all about pitchin' horseshoes.

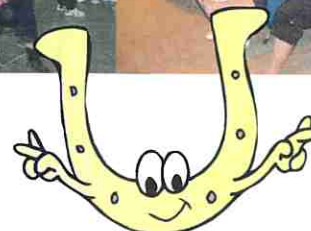
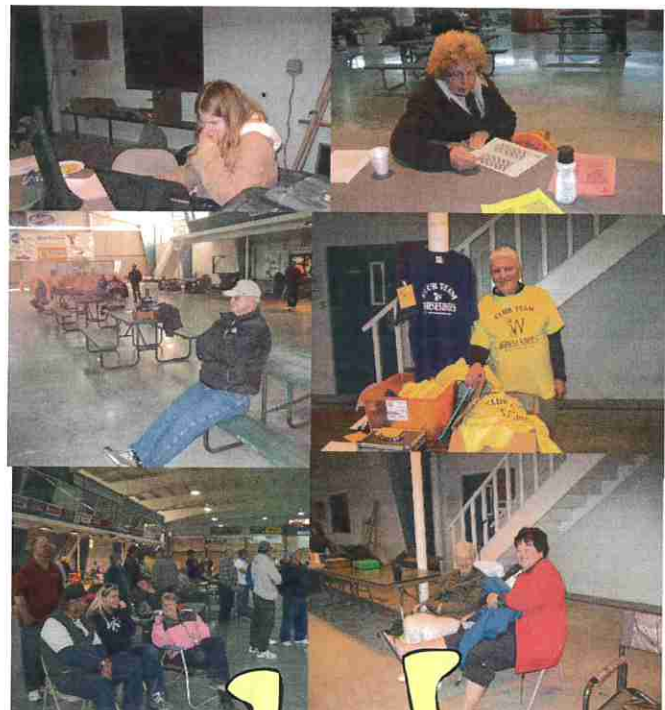
**Dick Poff** was there as well as **Cliff Erickson** (no, not from Eagle River), **Chas. Goldsmith, Linda Kelly, Ernie Rakstad, Scott Kelly, and Jeff Johnson**. Hear tell the pickers were taking turns at the mike. 'til 10:30 pm.

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Thanks to all tournament directors for their part in producing the Summer schedule. BUT, it would be nifty if the tournament name included the place. Yes most do, but some don't. We know by now that the Early Bird is in Eau Claire and the **Volz** boys do their thing in Lake Delton; **Kosky** is memorialized in Mosinee; **Brekke** does it in Edgerton; City-County is Eau Claire; **Marv's** doubles is Arkdale again. Like where the Hell is Rozellville?

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Club-Team pitchers were asked to participate in production of **Ken Heinritz's** chapel service. **Kevin Brekke** welcomed about 30. **Kurt Jochimsen** had the opening prayer. Musically **John Drexler and Cindy Berg** responded while **Dave Ninemann** read scripture. Next service: Team-World.





## What's New

By Jane Smith



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We would like to welcome fifteen new WHPA members since our last issue. Each of these new members will receive one complimentary issue of our Wisconsin Horseshoe Newsletter. It is our hope they so thoroughly enjoy their copy that future subscriptions are ordered. We have ten new 40 foot pitchers: **Jim Berdan, Tom Fischer, Gene Friede, Dave Hehling, Scott Kelly, Todd Parkinson, John Resch, Patrick Roy, Dominic Warwick and Jason Wrage. Virginia Kuehn and Jill Stygar** are new women pitchers; two junior girls, **Kayla Koepp and Jill Paulson**, and one junior boy, **Austin Shackleton**. Some of these names are familiar as family members of present WHPA members. Thanks to those who have promoted our wonderful game of horseshoes!

The last weekend in April spent in Beloit for the Club-Team and State Doubles events is always a great time to kick off the summer season and to catch up with friends and fellow horseshoe pitchers. This year there were the many smiles, hugs, ringers and unfortunately a bit of sad news. We have learned that several of our horseshoe pitchers are facing some challenging months

ahead. **Sylvia David**, mom, grandma, and aunt of the David-Cook clan, has health challenges. We need to remember her and her family in our prayers in the months ahead. A few "thinking of you cards" may brighten her days. During the church service we learned the **Heinritz** family has to cope with the devastating news their (**Ken, Russ, Randy**) sister is losing her battle with cancer. Cancer is not choosy when its victims have families that will have to cope with loss way too soon in their lives. We also learned that three of our longtime WHPA pitchers, **Bun Carley, Paul Wilson, Dan David and Harry Nelson** are facing health challenges again. Our horseshoe family is a very caring concerned, classy group of friends. Our collective prayers for those in need may help ease their pain. On a much more positive side, we heard that **Ken and Kathy Jaeger** are spoiling their grandkids in many ways. The energy of youngsters surely keeps Grandma and Grandpa on their toes. **Tava Kildahl**, a member of the David-Cook family of horseshoe pitchers, has given Dan and Sylvia another great-grandchild. All we need now is a bit of time for these grandkids to grow strong enough to pitch a shoe.

### Mad March

By Jane Smith

#### Class A

Ron Craigmile	MN	61%
Sig Armitage	MN	66.5%
Norm Gage	WI	51%

#### Class B

Glenn Foust	WI	43.12%
Jerry Oleskow	WI	41.87%
John Bauer	WI	38.75%

### April Showers

By Jane Smith

#### Class A

Tiffany Syring	MN	59.16%
Norm Gage	WI	54.58%
Mark Stevens	WI	45.83%

#### Class B

John Bauer	WI	41%
Dean Chaffee	WI	39%
Les Karpel	WI	41%

#### Class C

Greg Hehling	WI	40.5%
Randy Barnes	WI	40%
Roger Hargrave	WI	33.5%

### Team-World Afterthought -JH

Team-World in its finest hour hosts 24 teams. More pitchers would be more apt to play the Team if the competition included a B class. The eight low entries, of 2011, with a team entering average under 60% are considered B for this simulated presentation.

For what it's worth, **IF** there had been an additional class this year, the "B" ladder would have looked like this. Top rung, Michigan, 33.5 wins, next, Minnesota 2, 32 wins, then, Minnesota 3, 28 wins, finally Wisconsin 2, 27 wins, just nosing out Illinois 3 at 26.5.

To influence the Team-World committee in a B class all we need is a thousand dollars or so for those B awards.

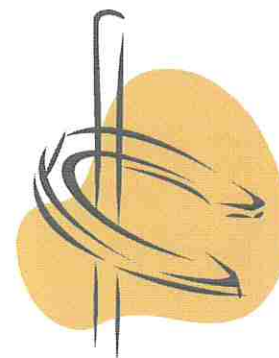




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**Entry Deadline:** July 31, 2011  
**Entry Fee:** \$25 Adults Juniors and Cadets Free  
**Send Entry form and fee to:** John Secord, W6868 Brown Road, Fond Du Lac, WI 54937

- All registrations must be dated and postmarked by July 31, 2011.
- You must have competed in a minimum of three NHPA sanctioned tournaments on the Wisconsin schedule between August 1, 2010 and July 31, 2011.
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