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If I Was Running the State Tournament

by Jim Haupt

If I were running the State Tournament, I would be pushing for every entry possible. Of the near 500 card holding horseshoe pitchers in this state, I think 300 would qualify (3 events) for the State tournament. That number would be my aim.

Why doesn't it happen? We consistently have less than 200 entrants. Is it up to the host to promote their tournament? I don't see any promotion, even from the WHPA. It seems we merely publish the flyer, some motels and hope for the best.

Two years ago the Beloit Club agreed to host the 2001 State. Since then they have hosted many other events, maybe 10, just to stay in shape. They certainly have the necessary experience. Ken's Bar will be open and the Mouse Beckius guarantees Ken Lovass will not run short of beverages. Rowen Swick will be the kitchen, Ken Beebe on the grill, his specialty, brats and hamburgers, Bruce McLinn will likely be washing dishes and Carl Schliem will definitely take your change. Earl Paulson promises not to pester to much for scorekeepers as he will have professionals like Harry Laws, Russ Burns Ralph Maylahn, and Ron Yttri on his staff, but the fare for one game is worth a burger.

No kiddin,' the only place to be over Labor Day weekend is at the State Tournament in Beloit. Stay for a

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The Wedding! Rick and Heidi Poppe

*This day is filled with
Happiness
and joy is ours to share
with all our friends &
family who came to
show they care.*

*The prayer we carry
in our hearts
of love & faith & peace
we give to you
with every hope that
these will never
cease.*

*Love,
Rick and Heidi*

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28-01-023 singles/mixed Jrs free Stevens	D/L 7-1
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Rosemary Kamps 101 Kamps Ct Comb Locks, WI 54113	
920-788-3229 Rjkamps@aol.com	
JULY 15 COM LOKS 28-01-024 limit 48 Kamps	D/L 6-30 \$17
JULY 22 OXFORD OPEN SINGLES ; VFW Oxford	\$15
Francis Schalk 135 Edgewood Dr Oxford, WI 53952	Limit 48
608-584-5264 eandfschalk@hotmail.com	28-01-025 D/L 7-9
JUL 21-22 SOUTHERN WIS OPEN ; Beloit	\$15
Earl Paulson 7105 S Co Hy H Beloit, WI 53511	
28-01-026 maybe mixed	D/L 7-8
JUL 30 thru Aug 11 WORLD TOURNAMENT	\$100
Dick Hansen 3085 S 76th St Franksville, WI 53027	
262-835-9108 nhpa.sec.treas@worldnet.att.com	D/L 5-18
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Al or Kathy Salmela 504 Homesteaders Ret Eagle, WI 53119	
262-594-2431 unsanctioned	D/L 7-20
AUG 12 OXFORD DOUBLES	\$10
Sign up at 10:00, pitch at 11:00	
Oxford VFW Post 6003 N3259 Fist Drive, Oxford, WI	
Frank Schalk 608-584-5264	unsanctioned
AUG 11-12 MOUNTAIN OPEN unsanctioned	\$15
Debbie Trossen 14840 Deer Run Trail Mountain, WI 54149	
715-276-6041 deblee@ez-net.com	D/L 7-28
AUG 18-19 PLATTEVILLE OPEN	\$15
Norm Mauthe 865 Eastman St Platteville, WI 53818	
608-348-9697 28-01-029	D/L 8-5
AUG 25 ASHLAND OPEN ; Fairgrounds Jrs free	\$15
28-01-028 Stevens no limit mixed	D/L 8-12
AUG 18 WATERING HOLE Unsanctioned	\$20
Kevin Brekke 2338 Utah Ave Green Bay, WI 54302	
kbrekke@slxi.com (920) 406-0446	
AUG 19 GREEN BAY 28-01-030	D/L 8/6
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 NHPA sanctioned tournament numbers also in bold
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 Call, 414-964-2735 for free listing in this column.



The President's Column

The State Tournament entry deadline is July 31st. The entry form for the State Tournament is in the June-2001 WI Horseshoe Newsletter. Please include your three qualifying Tournaments when entering, this will help out in case there is a discrepancy in your entry average. A Sanction League average may be used in lieu of one Tournament. Your entry average will be taken from Natstats the first Thursday in August, which this year falls on August 2nd.

All participants in the State Tournament must have their name on the back of their shirt. A five dollar fine will be imposed for not complying.

A list of available lodging in Beloit, is in this Newsletter issue.

There seems to be a problem this year with the opponent not standing behind the pitcher. I'm sure this is not intentionally happening.

Rule 6, Section D, Paragraph 2. THE OPPONENT. The opponent, while not pitching, shall stand on or behind the other 40 ft. platform at least 2 ft. to the rear of the contestant who is pitching. The opponent shall be quiet and stationary so as not to disturb the contestant who is pitching or the contestants on adjacent courts. After a short distance contestant pitches first they must return to the 40 ft. platform if the opponent or any contestant on an adjacent court is a full distance pitcher.

If you see this happening, just remind the person where he/she should be.

Good luck to all pitchers going to the World Tournament in Hibbing and remember good sportsmanship.

Your President—Ken Jaeger Sr.

Anybody can make history; only a great man can write it.

Oscar Wilde

Wolf River Open Horseshoe

June 2nd and 3rd 2001
Hatten Park, New London, WI.
Sanc.#28-01-014

Class A

1	Randy Rein	Mosinee	71.07
2	Lorraine Sternberg	Richfield	60.71
3	Jack Algiers	New London	56.43
4	Kenneth Jaeger Sr	New London	53.93
5	Steve Wiegert	Green Bay	53.57
6	Dave Schorbahn	Independence	50.00
7	Bernard Carley	Richland Cent	56.43
8	Tom Costa Sr.	West Bend	50.36

Class B

1	Gus Schram	Ringle	55.00
2	Wesley Rein	Mosinee	50.36
3	Cliff Troullier	Whitelaw	46.79
4	Elaine Troullier	Whitelaw	50.71
5	Gene Mason	Appleton	48.93
6	Ray Groskinsky	Adams	43.57
7	Dustin Dahl	Independence	43.57
8	Ted Rohde	La Crosse	29.64

Class C

1	Kirby King	Stevens Point	58.20
2	Jerry Schroeder	Oxford	47.50
3	Otis Wesley	Oneida	39.64
4	Cary Richter	Rosholt	41.43
5	Ron Balsiger	Germantown	38.57
6	Richard Hansen	Franksville	37.85
7	Terry Sternberg	Richfield	31.42
8	Steve Mielke	Green Bay	36.07

Class D

1	Jim O'Loughlin	Adams	37.14
2	Leroy Meyer	Appleton	36.10
3	Harold Wendorf	Glenbeula	33.80
4	Jerry Graves	Lily	32.80
5	Harold Laws	Beloit	30.40
6	Rowen Swick	Beloit	29.50
7	Roger Juedes	Brokaw	34.20
8	Don Burmeister	Brown Deer	25.20

Class E

1	Ken Kosky	Wausau	35.36
2	Bill Matey	Appleton	34.64
3	Richard Baeten	Atthelstane	34.29
4	Bruce McLinn	Clinton	34.29
5	Ken Davison	Meno. Falls	29.64
6	Dwayne Hein	Adams	32.50
7	Chuck Herman	Eagle	30.36
8	Tom Dudenhoefer	Oxford	26.07

Class F

1	Jim Haupt	Milwaukee	39.64
2	Jim King	Green Bay	37.5
3	Norb Strzyzewski	Manitowoc	39.28
4	Gary Simac	Eagle River	25.00
5	Art Collien	Eagle River	24.64
6	Cecelia Trossen	Suring	22.85
7	Frank Schalk	Oxford	21.78
8	Ivan Ruzic	Stratford	24.64

Class G

1	Kevin Richter	Rosholt	46.07
2	Matt Hintz	Rosholt	34.28
3	Scott Kater	Appleton	31.42
4	Marv Bennett	Adams	35.71
5	Tom Flanagan	New London	22.85
6	Jim Gose	New London	23.57
7	Marvin Besaw	New London	21.42
8	Kevin Brekke	Green Bay	20.07

Class H

1	Dave Richter	Rosholt	25.00
2	Ken Wood	Comb. Locks	17.77
3	Karen Rampalski	Brown Deer	17.77
4	Ron Jaeger	New London	17.22
5	Gary Schmitz	Cleveland	16.11
6	Merlin Ludwig	Medford	10.58
7	Charles Hoffman	New London	3.33

If it wasn't for the rain on Saturday morning, the weather would have made for an excellent weekend for ice fishing with a high of 52 degrees on Saturday and about 55 on Sunday. High game of the tournament, Randy Rein 82.5. There were several that pitched 10 % above their entry average. Kevin Richter of Rosholt, entered at 25.36 and pitched a 46.07 tournament, with a high game of 60 %. Kirby King of Stevens Point, entered at 40.22 and pitched a 58.2 tournament, with a high game of 77.5 %. Marv Bennett of Adams entered at 21.25 and pitched a 35.71 tournament, with a high game of 55.5 %.

The winner of the raffle for a set of portable courts was Cary Richter of Rosholt.

Ken Jaeger, noting the success of pitchers, recently unheard from, feels the perception may be that the New London courts are too easy. The courts are nice, very presentable, but not easy. Forty feet is forty feet - everywhere.

The new score devices are impressive. No more clothespins! Actually the new devices include the basic features of most others, but the materials are unique. The dual wheels for scoring are cut from steel. The shoe clock is aluminum and the magnet holding point strip is galvanized. Jaeger said one winter was barely enough time to make the eight new devices and furthermore he is setting the replacement cost at \$300 each hoping to discourage casual requests.

Eagle River Open

By Ken Kosky

June 9th and 10th, 2001

Saturday was as nice a day as you could ask for to pitch horseshoes. Upper 70's with light breezes. Sunday was a complete opposite. Cool and raining most of the morning. It was mid afternoon before the sun broke through and warmed everyone up. In between the showers, and with 30 shoe games, everyone managed to get their games in. Art Collien, the tournament host, had plenty of beverage and food for everyone during the frequent delays for flood control in the pits.

Art had promoted his tournament well as three new NHPA members were signed up and pitched in their first sanctioned tournament. Bob Radue, St Germain, liked it so much after Saturday that he came back to pitch in Class A on Sunday. Ken Jaeger took on all comers to post a 7 - 0 record and 57% average in Class A. Otis Wessley, on the comeback trail after a year off due to his arthritis, took Class B but not without some strong competition.

Pitching in the rain and the mud on Sunday morning was quite a challenge for everyone, but Roger Juedes, of Brokaw, WI prevailed and took Class C. Bob Maney out-classed everyone in Class D and finished with only one loss. New class for you next year, Bob.

Jim Haupt pitched in this tournament on Sunday after pitching in Beloit on Saturday and then driving to Eagle River on Saturday night. Almost 300 miles between tournaments. A "diehard" horseshoe pitcher? Or a diligent newspaper editor looking for another story?

Class A			Class C		
Ken	Jaeger	57.62	Roger	Juedes	36.52
Gus	Schram	54.76	Jim	Haupt	35.65
Ray	Groskinsky	41.90	Jerry	Graves	36.52
Brian	Repinski	50.95	Leroy	Meyer	34.78
Robert	Radue	40.48	Ken	Kosky	30.00
Elaine	Troullier	32.38	Greg	Maney	29.56
Cliff	Troullier	31.43	Ed	Hack	26.95
			Ivan	Ruzic	20.43
Class B			Class D		
Otis	Wessley	42.14	Robert	Maney	32.86
Jim	O'Loughlin	27.50	Cecelia	Trossen	25.00
Bob	Hansen	42.86	Bob	Dorer	25.71
Cary	Richter	38.57	Gary	Simac	20.71
Steve	Mielke	38.21	Art	Collien	27.14
Robert	Radue	33.93	Dave	Richter	23.57
Jerry	Niemuth	37.14	Tony	Zdroik	17.50
Al	Rude	12.86	Harry	Zdroik	11.43

Who did host that tournament?

The tournament host could have been Art Collien head of the entertainment-visiting committee with sundry duties as head chef? Must have been busy, Sunday he sent out for more food. Gary Simac might have been head groundskeeper. He was called Sunday Noon to tend courts left soggy by the bedraggled C class. The pit crew added a load of fresh dry sand to greet the A group. Ken Kosky was the Matre'D pulling heavy duty on the result board Saturday and Sunday. Jaeger? He rolled in Sunday morning mumbling something about a Saturday party. Rumor is, he did the schedule and pounded out the results but that's just a rumor..

JH

People of many kinds ask questions, but few and rare people listen to answers. Why?

Janet Erskine Stuart

The only way to keep your health is to eat what you don't want, drink what you don't like, and do what you'd rather not.

Mark Twain

WHPA Bylaws: Art IV; sect 2B

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Spring sprinkles on Platteville

By Mark Mauthe

The weather for this Saturday in May wasn't entirely promising, but left room for optimism that the tournament could be completed. Apparently the weather left no room for spectators as there numbers were few.

Low entries held the field to four, seven player classes. The vacancies were quickly filled but a few dropouts created additional scheduling changes. Eventually thirty players would grace the Platteville courts.

They most likely noticed the majority of the old courts have new concrete and were probably wondering why they were not being used. The reason was that landscaping still needs to be performed to eliminate high drop-offs where people might trip and fall. We hope they'll be ready for the

August tournament.

Pitching began at 9:00 AM with classes B and C. The eight player C class ended in a three-way tie for first. Ken Olson edged Sheiran Henry and Pat Smith on ringer percentage to capture the crown. Ken appears to have gone easy on the competition. Cliff VanNatta had high ringer game of 47.5%.

Class A		Class C			
Mark Mauthe	7/0	72.5	Ken Olson	5/2	31.8
Randy Rein	6/1	57.5	Sheiran Henry	5/2	23.2
Tom Costa	4/3	49.6	Pat Smith	5/2	22.1
Class B		Class D			
Jim Haupt	5/1	37.9	Keith Donar	6/1	20.7
Len Mauthe	4/2	33.3	Bob Novinski	5/2	18.2
Gary Rackow	3/3	30.4	Vern Rosenbery	3.5/2.5	15.9

Tony Scrima is nursing a bad shoulder and was unable to pitch. He made the trip anyway with fellow easterners, Rich Conrad, Jim Haupt and Chuck Herman to lend moral support. Jim moved up from class C to fill Tony's spot and dropped only his first game en-route to victory. Apparently Jim didn't want to make things look

too easy. Rich Conrad captured the high ringer prize with 47.5%.

The A and D afternoon classes were welcomed by a light rain during warm-up. This continued through the first game and intensified causing about a half hour delay during the second game. Rain fell occasionally once play resumed but was not hard enough to

cause further delays. The sun even made an appearance from time to time and pitching conditions were nearly ideal.

Harold Laws came to cheer class D pitcher

Earl Paulson. Keith Donar won the class by virtue of a one point play-off game over Bob Novinski. Keith also tossed the high ringer game of 25%. Mark Mauthe and Randy Rein were both undefeated when they met in the final class A game. Mark had been the stronger pitcher throughout the day and held off a late string of

ringers by Randy to win by twelve points. Mark pitched his personal best of 72.5% and also had high ringer game of 85%. This was the first Spring Singles title for Mark.

Thanks to Country Kitchen of Platteville for the gift certificates. Also, thank you too Jean Nodolf and Sheiran Henry for organizing the food stand and to all others who assisted and gave food donations.

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Goldendale Results

7/9 Joe

30 Year Event

Class A

Ed Arionus	6/0	82.5
Don Kangas	5/1	68.8
Mark Mauthe	4/2	66.3
Brian Repinski	3/3	59.2
Lorraine Sternberg	2/4	67.9
John Koeppe	1/5	53.3
Ken Jaeger	0/6	42.9

Class B

Steve Wiegert	7/0	55.4
Elaine Troullier	5.5/1.5	53.6
Chet Hermansen	4.5/2.5	42.9
Penny Steinke	3/4	49.3
Tom Costa Sr	3/4	47.9
Kerry Morris	3/4	35.7
Cliff Troullier	2/5	33.2
Tom Hansen	0/7	38.6

Class C

Bob Fritz	4/2	43.8
Terry Sternberg	4/2	42.9
Gerald Gromowski	4/2	37.9
Jim Haupt	4/2	36.7
Dick Hansen	3/3	32.9
Jim Poquette	1/5	30.0
Dennis Ambuehl	1/5	22.9

Class D

Ron Balsiger	5/1	40.4
Hank Zeisse	5/1	38.3
Glenn Bogen-schneider	3/3	37.1
Len Mauthe	3/3	35.8
Norb Strzyzewski	2/4	36.3
Milt Larsen	2/4	26.7
Rich Conrad	1/5	32.1

Class E

Rowen Swick	5/1	34.1
Harold Laws	4/2	30.8
John Secord	3.5/2.5	30.0
Bruce McLinn	3/3	23.8
Don Burmeister	2.5/3.5	27.1
Dave Aho	2/4	33.8
Red Ferguson	1/7	22.9

Class F

Dick Burg	4/1	36.0
Dave Balsiger	4/1	32.8
Russ Heinritz	3/2	30.4
Ken Davison	3/2	28.8
Ceil Trossen	1/4	24.8
Chuck Herman	0/5	19.2
Mike Steinke	6/0	25.4
Rob Struebing	5/1	28.3
Scott Kater	3/3	24.2
Tom Steinke	3/3	22.9
Ron Molitor	2.5/3.5	24.2
Joan Struebing	1.5/4.5	20.8
Karen Rampalski	0/6	5.0

Class H-1

Jerry Zieja	7/0	25.0
Greg Zimdars	5/2	20.4
Tom Costa Jr	7/3	17.9
Mark Nord	4/3	15.7

Class H-2

Wes Podvin	3/4	13.9
Curt Novinski	3/4	10.7
John Jansen	2/5	11.1
Glenn Burke	0/7	3.0

Thirty years ago Goldendale ran their very first tournament. In 1972 point games were popular, scorekeepers a necessity, and pit crews did all the court turning. Tournaments were few; entries abounded. This event formerly started on Friday night (sometimes Thursday) on the original four courts. Many entries and long games took forever - on into the night. John Secord was there since the beginning when young Rick Pritzlaff was tournament director.

Fast forward thirty years. Add two (2) courts. Switch to shoe limit games. With a selection of tournaments every week, Goldendale draws 55 entries including a world class pitcher from Texas visiting in Watertown for a family reunion.

Ed Arionus of Seguin, Texas is a former world champion in the Intermediate class and twice a champion in the Senior division. Now pitching as an Elder, Arionus won the Goldendale event tossing 82.5%.

With all the great pitchers Goldendale has entertained over the years, tournament director, Tom Costa can't be sure if the 82% is a record. Other former top pitchers would include Bill Glass, Bret Pritzlaff, and Hank Schwartz.

Don Kangas is back! Spirit of competition evoked a near 69% performance and second place.

Dick Burg, club member from Hartford, was hands down pitcher of the day winning while pitching near 15% over entering average.

Tony Scrima, club member now on the injured list came through again as champion raffle ticket salesman completely supporting the cash award list with his line, "Here's six tickets and a pen. I know you want to help out the Goldendale Club."

MUSKEGO

CLASS A

Kenneth Jaeger Sr 6/1 48.21%

Penny Steinke 5/2 53.93%

Mitch Vyhanek 5/2 48.21%

CLASS B

Bruce McLinn 7/3 31.00%

Jim Haupt 7/4 30.91%

Rowen Swick 6/4 34.00%

CLASS C

Mike Lange 7/0 30.71%

Henry Zeisse 6/1 37.14%

Bruce Tatera 4/3 30.00%

CLASS D

Dick Burg 7/1 30.83%

Pete Rockers 6/2 25.83%

Guy Fleming 6/2 22.92%

FATHERS DAY

Muskego, on Fathers Day, was a great place to enjoy the outdoors - finally. With recent rainy weather, Wisconsin horseshoe pitchers had it coming. Some compared it to the first day of summer.

Father Tom Steinke had good news. Just a few hours past, at 3:30 AM, his daughter, Pam Aiken, gave birth to her second daughter. She, and husband Chris, will call her, "Abby," formally, Abigail Lynn. At seven pounds, two ounces, she will go into the grow mode to become a playmate for sister Mary Ann.

Let it be known. Tom Steinke has moved his residence (new address, phone) and some of his horseshoe stuff didn't make it to the tournament. Pitchers are adaptable people and were able to persevere with a few band-aids.

All thirteen courts went into action with the morning classes including an unusual ten-man B class mercifully limited to 30 shoes. And, of course, it was not decided until three played off - 11 games. Bruce McLinn made it as lone "B" survivor.

"A" class was interesting in that it was made up, for the most part,

of pitchers commonly associated with a "B" or "C" assignment. Curious followers watched as their former counterparts struggled with their maiden introduction to the top class. Top seed, Penny Steinke faltered, lost a game, to give Ken Jaeger an even shot at the final 1 vs. 2 match. Jaeger jumped on it in deciding fashion, his second first place in eight days.

Building plans for the Muskego Moose Club are on hold. The old building is ready to come down but there is presently a problem with funding for a new one. Latest news is they are looking at another building at another location. A new horseshoe building on the south end of the property is up awaiting relocation of the courts. Looks promising but who knows?

Following the Roto-tiller

A few years ago a new pitcher started in the Goldendale leagues. He was fresh from the tavern leagues, a flipper, of course, but he did it backhanded! Beginning in the low thirty percent bracket, he steadily improved. One of his regular opponents continually warned him about his unorthodox delivery. "Hope you never get good with that goofy roto-tiller. You'll have everybody trying it and set back the entire game of horseshoe by ten years."

He was not listening. Sure he could manage a one and a quarter but the roto-tiller remained his bread and butter choice. And he did get good.

Last year, breaking into the fifty percent bracket, he was cited

as one of the WHPA's most improved. This year he has the unenviable, cannon-fodder position as a low "A."

Stretching his wings, Tom Costa decided to enter the Eastern Championships, a new tournament with a \$1000 top award, conducted in Erie, Pennsylvania, mid-June.

Costa wound up fourth in his class and subsequently substituted for the famous Art Tyson, who had dropped out of the Championship class.

The lone Wisconsin export created some degree of curiosity. Spectators wanted to know, "How do you do that?" and "How many times does it roll over?"

As a pacer, Costa lived up to expectations but had a few in the big class a little worried.

**I was married by a judge.
I should have asked for a jury.**

Groucho Marx

The only difference between the saint and the sinner is that every saint has a past and every sinner has a future.

Oscar Wilde

Secretary: "It must be hard to lose your mother-in-law."

W.C.: "Yes it is, very hard. It's almost impossible."

W.C. Fields

Results Beloit Spring Singles

7/9 done

CLASS A		
MARK MAUTHE	WI	67.86
DENNIS REID	IL	64.64
CRAIG ZUEHLKE	IL	35.36
CLASS B		
HALLIE ROMANELLI	IL	58.13
LARRY FETTES	IL	55.31
TOM COSTA	WI	56.07
CLASS C		
JAY MAGELAND	WI	47.86
JERRY SCHROEDER	WI	45.71
BOB MCGARRY	IL	38.57
CLASS D		
BILL WORDEL	IL	41.43
RON YTTRI	WI	44.29
GARY RACKOW	WI	37.14
CLASS E		
DALTON SIMMONS	IL	29.38
DON BURMEISTER	WI	31.88
ANN MURRAY	IL	31.43
CLASS F		
DUANNE GROSSEN	WI	39.64
LOIS MCGARRY	IL	27.50
BEECH BECOREST	IL	32.86
CLASS G		
RICH ROTAR	WI	18.44
DALE MCGOWAN	WI	16.25
GARY SCHMITZ	WI	18.21

In spite of threatening clouds Sunday morning, the rain held off and we had beautiful weather, to complete the Beloit Spring Singles.

Due to wide disparity of averages in class A pay-off was made in two brackets. Mark Mauthe was undefeated in winning class A.

Beloit spring singles results by Jimmy Paulson

FROM THE SCOREKEEPERS CHAIR

By Ralph Maylahn

The remarks that follow apply to all pitching formats, but are particularly applicable to noisy conditions, such as Team World or World Tournaments. The scorer's ability to understand point calls is greatly aided by BREVITY. Leaving out the word "RINGERS" is the key to the scorer understanding the call. The following USUAL CALL and EASILY UNDERSTOOD examples will illustrate the most easily communicated score to the scorer. Again, noisy conditions make hearing very difficult.

<u>USUAL CALL</u>	<u>EASILY UNDERSTOOD</u>
Ringer each no score	Two dead
Ringer each one point	Two dead - one
One ringer three points	Three
One point no ringers	One
Two points no ringers	Two
Three ringers three points	Three-three
Four ringers - no score	Four Dead
Two ringers six points	Six

The use of fingers are very easy to understand, i.e., one, two, three, three (waved up and down at least twice) are universally understood, by anyone with a working knowledge of the game. Try using the above suggestions, they will more clearly indicate the score you are relaying to the person in the chair.

News Flash:-)

COUNTING POINTS

by Jane Smith

The Pitcher of the Year point totals, with 20 recorded tournaments and 229 pitchers on record, stand with twelve pitchers in the chase.

Randy Rein has a total of 95. He has taken first or second place in 7 events.

Closing the gap with 75 points are Jim Haupt and Harry Nelson. Following closely are Ken Frame (70) Bun Carley (65) Ken Jaeger (60) and Doug Bakkum, Greg Hehling, Russ Heinritz, Ralph Maylahn (55).

Results for 11 more tournaments (mostly scheduled for June and July) will be entered before the final winner will be determined. Points are earned by placing first (15) second (10) or third (5) in a Wisconsin sanctioned tournament. Tournament directors are asked to send the results to Jane Smith as soon as possible. Discussions of revising the criteria for this award has been discussed at spring and fall meetings. Further suggestions are welcomed and should also be sent to Jane Smith

Down and Back

with Jim Haupt

Thirteen proposals of rule change are going to be considered at the Hibbing NHPA Convention. Of the thirteen, two have caught my eye.

One would allow Junior pitchers an alternate pitching distance if they are less than twelve years of age. The foul line for the younger Juniors would be twenty (20) feet.

I'm in favor. Hope and trust our Wisconsin delegates will make it legal for those kids in Jane Smith's summer leagues.

The other proposal is another attempt to change the ringer definition of "a clearance" at the stake by adding two words, "or touch." That would make a three point touch a legal ringer.

I'm with the old-timers on this one. If it was good enough for Ted Allen, Fernando Isasis, and Casey Jones, it's good enough for you and me. I would encourage our state delegates to not only vote against this proposal but additionally to influence as many other states as possible to retain the 'real' ringer language as is.

Your opinion can count too. Let your delegates know how you feel. The delegates - all five WHPA Officers. I'm going to ask them how many of you cared enough to respond. Just do it!

I think it was an F-3 tornado that went through Siren, WI. Avid reporters as we are, we tried to contact Sue Helene who lives near there. She did not respond, which could be bad news, or plain apathy, or maybe her connection to the computer closed with the school year. Actually on an update from other sources, Lee and Sue Helene have their business in Siren and they lost the roof along with another storage building. Apparently they are on the opposite side of town from the main route of the tornado.

The hot item on the NHPA website right now is that the White House horseshoe courts are being re-installed with another court at Camp David. John Passmore of Maryland, a former top Junior pitcher has been asked by Dave Loucks to be the horseshoe ambassador slash advisor to President Bush.

Don't let Dick Hansen's poor percentage at the Goldendale tournament fool you. He is not wearing

his World Tournament cap backwards as yet. Saw him go 22 for 40 while his opponent Terry Sternberg hung 21. Not bad, but class champ, Bob Fritz started his day with a 25 game.

We updated the "Coming Events" column with announcement of the Annual Eagle Open in Eagle, WI. It's a one big tournament run for years by Al and Kathy Salmela but always during the World.

Jane Smith is rescheduling the Wet 'n Wild for September 22-23. Seems she can't make the original date and gosh, the event would not be the same without her.

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[Applicants may respond to "Wes" in care of this newsletter.]

WE ARE GOOD!

Hi Jim,

I know how tentative bragging rights are in horseshoe - usually just from one tournament to the next, sometimes even just one game to the next. But here goes anyway.

This may be the last time CXC will be able to say this. In the Club Team tournament, Close Doesn't Count is the only team to have won championships in two millenniums, two centuries, two decades, & six years.

Thought you'd appreciate this little bit of humor! Thanks for the great tournament again, we appreciate all the time and effort! Take care, stay healthy, be happy.

-Sue Helene

St John's in Waunakee

One of the four horseshoe tournaments regularly scheduled for the second weekend of June in Wisconsin has been the popular unsanctioned doubles event by Tip Wipperfurth in connection with St John's Bazaar in Waunakee.

The method is: Drive many stakes into the large grassy green area, this time 24 stakes. Dump some sand to surround the stake. Divide the field of 24 teams into A

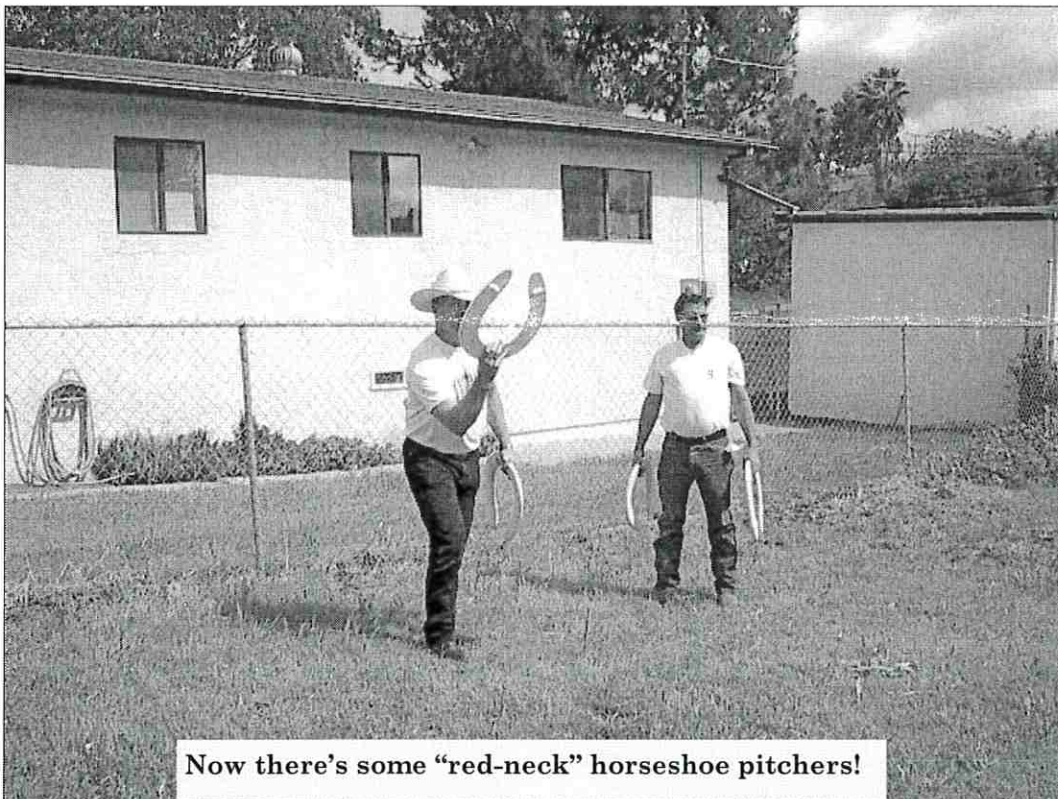
and B classes. Play every other team in class to 21 points.

Make sure to count points even when losing because wins and losses do not necessarily determine the tournament winners: Total points rule. It would be possible to lose every game yet win the event with points earned.

In spite of the unique method for determination of a winner, two teams had to play-off for the championship. Wipperfurth gave the players their choice for the playoff game. They chose to make

it 42 points. Bun Carley and Ken Frame found the play-off venue to their liking defeating John Crook and John Udelhofen by more than 10 points. Third Place went to Steve and Dave Hagan.

Steve Wipperfurth (another one?) and wheelchair pitcher, Bill Nash took third in "B" class. Jerry Volz and Denny Kapner were second while top "B" pointers were Jim and Gene Haug.



Now there's some "red-neck" horseshoe pitchers!

Entry deadline for the State Tournament is July 31, 2001.

See the new Beloit "Ironworks" or whatever they call their six court indoor house. Share their misery over lack of permanent sanitary facilities or come up with a solution.

See the shared enthusiasm of the Beloit Club members and you'll better understand why it has become the most progressive horseshoe club in this state. .

EAU CLAIRE OPEN

By John Dolezel

1/9

Morning rain delayed our start until 11:30 am and the morning classes were reduced by 10 shoes. By afternoon the skies cleared and all classes returned to normal.

Class A featured some of Wisconsin's top pitchers with Clayton Gage edging Gert Wilcziek in a contest decided by Ringer percentage, 78.6 to 76.8. Both had only one loss. Randy Rein placed 3rd with 5 - 2, 71.1%.

Five of eight pitchers in Class B hailed from MN and three of them claimed the top three spots. Dave Hughes, Dick Dvorak, and Ron Craigmile all had 5 - 2 and finished 1st, 2nd, and 3rd respectively based on ringer percentage.

Judi Hayden of Mondovi took Class C with a 7 - 0 record. David Paul and Kathy Hanson took 2nd & 3rd.

Class D had 3 juniors and 5 adults. April Gage took first among the adults, followed by Ted Rohde and Al Johnson.

Corey Hughes, with a 7 - 0 record, claimed 1st among the juniors with Ryan Anderson and Wesley Rein ending up tied for 2nd, both had 4 wins and an identical average of 42.9%. Ryan was awarded 2nd place as he defeated Wesley in their match.

In another class decided by ringer percentage, Jim Ganther with 36.5% claimed 1st place over Delbert Karsjens, 34.5% in Class E. Ida Hostrup took 3rd. (Del began entering our open back in 1981 when we used to have 180+ entries. Ida has been entering since 1986)

Robin Mahn of Park Falls with 34.3% and John Van Dyk of Chili with 33.8% and Dave Semingson of Eleva with 28.6%, all had 5-2 records and took 1st thru 3rd respectfully in Class F.

Glass G, with 4 participants, pitched a double round robin. Tom Cutts of Janesville, 5 - 1, claimed 1st followed by John Agens of Eau Claire and Merlin Ludwig of Medford.

Pudge Dahl managed to keep the tournament on track despite the rain and several no-shows which caused several last minute changes.

Thank You

The Wisconsin Horseshoe Newsletter would like to thank the Eau Claire Horseshoe Club for their generosity in awarding, subscriptions to the Newsletter, to class winners at their tournament. This year it amounted to 19 subscription for a total of \$152.

Thank you,
Jim & Ken

Highlights of the Beautiful Day

Only a couple of thunder rumbles about 3:00 PM.
By Dan David

Mark Mauthe pitched his personal best tournament of 74.58%. He had a high game of 82.5%.

Marshfield is known for ties for first place. Class C tied and Class E had a three-way tie.

Thank you to EVERYONE who helped to make this another successful tournament. Hope to see you all back again next year.

-Dan David &
Marshfield Horseshoe Club

Class A 40 ft

Mark Mauthe	6/0	74.58
Randy Rein	4/2	65.83
Wayne Totten	2/4	60.41

Class A Ladies

Tina Riehl	7/0	44.28
Sonia Cook	6/1	45.00
Tava Cook	5/2	24.28

Class B

Kirby King	5/0	62.00
Wesley Rein	3/2	54.00
Vince Jakel	2/3	52.50

Class C

Greg Hehling	6/2	41.5
Ron Wilcziek	5/3	34.6
Len Mauthe	4/3	39.2

Class D

George Draeger	6/1	32.8
Ken Kosky	5/2	33.2
Nelson Richason	4/3	28.5

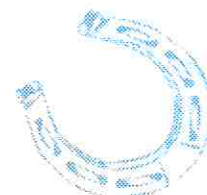
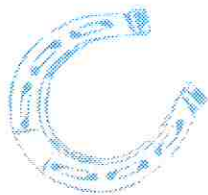
Class F

Dave Richter	6/2	21.9
Bob Kallstrom	5/3	21.6
John Van Dyk	5/2	30.7

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Many great places to eat in Beloit but don't miss Bennedetti's on Riverside Drive. It is a regular stop for many Team-World pitchers.

About Noon Sunday, the WHPA will make the annual awards, some of which are; the President's award, the Pitcher-of-the-Year, and the scorekeeper of the year, all unannounced beforehand. The Hall of Fame ceremony will honor; pitcher Clayton Gage, promoter Earl Paulson, and honorary inductee Red Ferguson. Being in the audience at the time is the greatest tribute one can make to these fine men who have gone to great lengths to make our association with this sport more enjoyable. We owe them our presence.

For those pitchers who have pitched the Club Team, the State Doubles, or the Encore have seen only the indoor courts of Telfer Park, we have news for you. Beloit has a complete 13 court layout, outdoors, it will be the site of the State tournament. Get acquainted with the great outdoors of the Beloit club.

Horseshoe Mecca

The oft heard phrase applied to real estate is, "Location, Location, Location." The same premise might be said of the Beloit Horseshoe Club.

Located on the southern border of the state, the club naturally has some Illinois members. Add to that these facts: The Beloit Club owns the property where their outdoor courts are located, are in the process of building six indoor courts, and annually host Team-World along with up to six other tournaments.

Windy Hill not always windy

The Hill people of Wausau are blessed with a hilltop location with a name scary to horseshoe pitchers - 'Windy!' Would that the moniker were 'Sunny' or 'Shady,' even 'Rainy' but not 'Windy.' The constant suggestion stirs the minds of pitchers on the hill.

When classes started Saturday morning it was with an eerie feeling. Something was missing. There was no wind. Some of the pitchers were visibly discombobulated. As temperatures eventually rose, a welcome breeze wafted between the stakes dissipating the heat. By noon it picked up to the point that A class worry warts were concerned.

"This place is tough," one "A" guy noted, "You lean out expecting a draft and there is none. Then you hurry up and let fly because you know some kind of wind is on the way." That's the way it goes at Windy Hill. A fair amount of the breeze is created by their own "wind talk."

The guys in "E" class, judging by all the noise, had the most fun. So much fun they took an extra hour to finish. Apparently there were a few pitchers new to tournaments on their end.

This event was John Mills' first as tournament director. He had Jim Jakel running the board. Red Eckardt and Ed Hack also got into the act. It appeared a club venture and in capable hands.

CLASS A

MARK MAUTHE	7/1	65%
KIRBY KING	7/1	57%
BRIAN REPINSKI	5/3	48%

CLASS B

OTIS WESSLEY	6/1	46%
PAT SPAHN	6/1	40%
STEVE MIELKE	5/2	29%

CLASS C

RUEBEN ECKARDT	6/1	33%
TIM KING	6/1	33%
CHUCK HERMAN	5/2	26%

CLASS D

MATT HINTZ	6/2	20.3%
DAVE RICHTER	6/2	18.4%
GEORGE DRAEGER	5/3	22%

CLASS E

RANDY BENASZESKI	6/1	15%
JOHN OLSON	5/2	15%
WES PODVIN	4/3	13%

Green Bay Horseshoe Club's

Unsanctioned Tournament (8-18-2001) - Saturday
 Sanctioned Tournament (8-19-2001) - Sunday

SANCTION NUMBER 28-00-041

Unsanctioned date: August 18, 2001 Entry \$20 Payable to Kevin Brekke)
 Sanctioned date: August 19, 2001 Entry : \$20 (Payable to Kevin Brekke)
 Entry Deadline: August 6, 2001 Limit: First 48 Entries Games: 40
 Shoes

LOCATION: Watering Hole - 2107 Velp Ave., Green Bay. Use Velp Avenue exit off Hwy 41, proceed 1/4 mile West. The Watering Hole will be on your left. Refreshments and food available inside.

Classes may be mixed. Scorekeepers will be paid by the players - \$1.00 per player per game. Cash payout for first four places. Juniors do not have to pay entry fee, and do not have to pay scorekeepers. Eighty percent of entry fee will remain in class.

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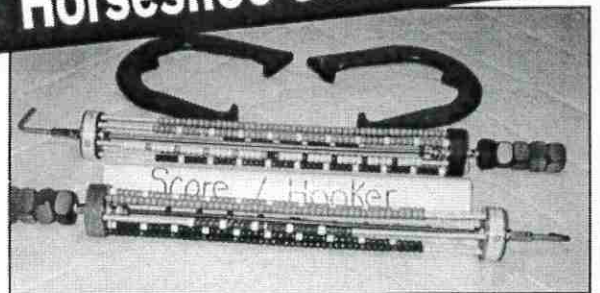
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