

# WISCONSIN HORSESHOE NEWSLETTER

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## WISCONSIN TOURNAMENTS

"State scheduled" tournaments are merely a chronological listing provided by the WHPA secretary. Other than the Wisconsin State Tournament, they are not endorsed, approved or sanctioned by the WHPA. To get on the list, any tournament director has only to register with the implication that results will also be registered.

Because of the two tourney requirement for State, we will see additional tournaments on this schedule. Established annual tournaments run smoothly through practiced polishing; newer tournaments can be expected to have growing pains.

What do pitchers look for in a tournament? All tournaments, understandably, are not alike. We appreciate; they must cater to Class A but not at the expense of the other classes. "All money remains in class" is a welcome phrase on the flyer. Some are sponsored with outside money. Some retain money from all the classes to support, a charity, a cause or the host club. If we are pitching for Cystic Fibrosis or a roof for the home court, the fact should be made public, up front, on the flyer. Even if there are administrative costs deducted, let us see the share of available prize money left for the pitchers - on the flyer. We are asked to send our entry money in advance; we are entitled to know our share in advance. By convention, pitchers are entitled to a schedule of classes and times. In essence, we like variety in tournaments but not at the expense of the game or players.

The time has arrived for WHPA sanctioned tournaments. The time has arrived for a few minimum requirements for a state schedule listing. We need to establish a WHPA committee to draw up a set of guidelines for either or both WHPA sanctioned tournaments and state scheduled tournaments.

### SHEBOYGAN? AUGUST 15, 16 & 17

The final word on the Sheboygan tournament is not out. They are having a little difficulty getting their horses in harness. Too bad, we sure liked those brats.

### PLATTEVILLE OPEN - AUGUST 15, 16 & 17

See Norm Mauthe's ad; he tells it all. We hope others will follow his lead. Write or call us with your copy.

### WINNEBAGOLAND OPEN - AUGUST 23 & 24

Come see the new club house. It must be the result of a well organized club. They have a big layout in open fairground area, no shade but easy parking and spectating.

Jim Bloemers, Rt 6 2002 Hy. 23 E., Fond du Lac, Wi 54935 DEADLINE AUGUST 16

### GOLDENDALE OPEN - JUNE 27, 28 & 29 - 126 PITCHERS

Through the effort of Howard Voiles's announcements for the Junior Scholarship Fund, \$110.05 was collected from the crowd, \$50 donated by the Goldendale Horseshoe Club, \$25 from the Lone Star, for a total of \$185.05. This was given to the fund in the name of Jerry Sherwin. The club provided participation plaques for the juniors and a party was given for them, cake, coupons and favors, provided by McDonalds. A special award of \$25 for high ringer game went to Bret Pritzlaff, Germantown, 78.0%, courtesy of Gary Schwartz, Random Lake.

Class A - 1st Carl Joppe, Green Bay, 57.4%; 2nd Hank Schwartz, Random Lake, 65.4%  
Class B - 1st Harry Johnson, Milwaukee, 56.9%; 2nd Norm Mauthe, Platteville, 58.9%  
Class C - 1st Dennis Ambuehl, Oconomowoc, 49.2%; 2nd Leon Uhl, Sheboygan, 48.4%  
Cowboy Class - 1st Jim Valle, Brownsville, 53.6%; 2nd Gary Schwartz, Random Lake, 50.4%

GOLDENDALE OPEN - JUNE 27, 28 & 29 - 126 PITCHERS (CONT'D)

Class E - 1st Ron Butz, Fond du Lac, 50.8%; 2nd Leon Voigt, West Bend, 45.6%  
 Class F - 1st Rich Maciejewki, Muskego, 33.2%; 2nd Greg Mattson, Menomonee Falls, 43.2%  
 Class G - 1st Keith Schlicher, Fond du Lac, 34.0%; 2nd Wally Michaels, Fredonia, 35.2%  
 Class H - 1st A. M. Burg, Wauwatosa, 40.8%; 2nd Gary Bloedorn, Fond du Lac, 32.4%  
 Class I - 1st Terry Schrage, Fond du Lac, 22.4%; 2nd John Gomoll, Watertown, 26.0%  
 Class J - 1st Bob Kabella, Greenfield, 33.6%; 2nd Art Lass, Milwaukee, 19.6%  
 Class K - 1st Keith Keller, Menomonee Falls, 26.4%; 2nd Larry McCutcheon, Pewaukee, 22.4%  
 Class L - 1st Forrest Averbeck, Fond du Lac, 22.0%; 2nd Geirge Thibedeau, Muskego, 24.4%  
 Class M - 1st Dave Haupt, Green Bay, 20.4%; 2nd Paul Dietrich, Van Dyne, 20.8%  
 Class N - 1st Bob Mattson, Menomonee Falls, 29.2%; 2nd Jim Paegelow, Germantown, 24.8%  
 Class O - 1st Dale Haydock, Pewaukee, 21.3%; 2nd Terry Sternberg, Richfield, 16.0%  
 Class P - 1st Harold Kloehn, Germantown, 7.2%; 2nd John Jashinsky, Menomonee Falls, 16.8%  
 Class A Women - 1st Lorraine Sternberg, Richfield, 53.6%; 2nd Ann Opsteen, Combined Locks, 48.0%  
 Class B Women - 1st Sheri Krueger, Hartford, 35.0%; 2nd Tammie Niffenegger, Slinger, 29.5%  
 Class C Women - 1st Wendy Pritzlaff, Richfield, 14.0%; 2nd Spanky Chalustowski, Germantown, 9.0%  
 Class A Juniors - 1st Debby Bestul, Eau Claire, 55.3%; 2nd Tom Hansen, Franksville, 33.3%  
 Class B Juniors - 1st Stuart Bennett, Franksville, 15.5%; 2nd Renee Sternberg, Richfield, 2.0%

MARSHFIELD OPEN - JUNE 21 & 22 - 114 PITCHERS

T. D., Roger Schultz, writes that in spite of a 1½ hour rain delay, the tournament was a great success. Included were two 4-way play-offs and three first place trophies to the Post family. 55 pitchers from the city of Marshfield.

Class A - 1st Mark Stevens, Marengo, 58.1%; 2nd Roger Poutanen, Schofield, 63.4%  
 Class B - 1st Randy Rein, Mosinee, 47.4%; 2nd Gerald Weikert, Marshall, 39.0%  
 Class C - 1st Sidney Hough, Stratford, 39.7%; 2nd Leonard Lazar, Hawkins, 38.5%  
 Class D - 1st Bill Hildebrandt, Roshalt, 30.3%; 2nd Dale Bloom, Mondovi, 35.7%  
 Class E - 1st Bob Ploen, Marshfield, 31.4%; 2nd Bernard Selby, Withee, 33.4%  
 Class F - 1st Dick Post, Marshfield, 34.5%; 2nd John Schultz, Spencer, 30.0%  
 Class G - 1st Dale Doty, Marshfield, 25.7%; 2nd Carl Knapp, Pittsville, 22.6%  
 Class H - 1st Terry Hertel, Marshfield, 24.9%; 2nd Dick Harriman, Marshfield, 22.9%  
 Class I - 1st Chad Post, Marshfield, 19.0%; 2nd Ron Zepplin, Marshfield, 19.4%  
 Class J - 1st Dan David, Auberndale, 24.0%; 2nd Smiley Brandt, Marshfield, 16.0%  
 Class K - 1st Jeff Specht, Marshfield, 7.2%; 2nd Jerry Barwineck, Marshfield, 8.0%  
 Class A Juniors - 1st Lori Jakel, Spencer, 10.0%; 2nd Penny Whipple, Marshfield, 4.0%  
 Class A Women - Sylvia David, Auberndale, 52.6%; 2nd Sara Ross, Owen, 47.0%  
 Class B Women - 1st Sue Knapp, Pittsville, 38.8%; 2nd Jan Hertel, Marshfield, 36.0%  
 Class C Women - 1st Sheila Post, Marshfield, 30.0%; 2nd Gladys Lila, St. Point, 35.6%  
 Class D Women - 1st Lori Graf, Marshfield, 13.3%; 2nd Joan Multerer, Marshfield, 9.3%

MOUNTAIN OPEN - AUGUST 9 & 10

Many courts (17) with Green Bay clay, extra courts are sometimes open for warm-ups. Popular flea market and softball tourney; lots of action, watch out for over the fence home runs. Big recreation hall becomes a dance hall Saturday night. Attracts good pitchers from the Upper Peninsula. John Olson, 13416 Kresse Lane, Mountain, WI 54149 DEADLINE JULY 23

FIRST IMPRESSION

Walking into the huge Hobbs Arena at Eau Claire, seeing the rows of portable horseshoe courts (16), my thoughts ran ahead to 1987, when pitchers from all over the country would see this beautiful complex. Yes, Wisconsin will be proud to offer this facility to the NHPA for their World Tournament in 1987. As Curt Bestul said in his article last month in the newsletter, we can be a part of this. The great task of constructing the portable horseshoe courts, scoreboards, traveling to Chenoa, Il. for the best clay and the countless hours of planning for the World Tournament beginning in 1985 when the bid was first put together and accepted, all belongs to the Eau Claire Horseshoe Club. Now, it is up to us to help them in every way to finish this project by selling raffle tickets, souvenir badges and placing ads in the program. Lets begin with FRIENDS OF HORSESHOE.

Ralph Dykes quote on TV; "The best layout I ever seen."

Roger Poutanen quote; "This is the best clay I ever pitched on."

Kevin Cone quote; "This is the only way to pitch horseshoes (indoors)."

John Secord said; "My first impression, your going to pitch horseshoes regardless of weather conditions. Having never played on raised courts, it has no adverse effect for the higher percentage pitcher nor the lower percentage pitcher. Construction of the portable courts is first class."

People walking in the bleacher aisle do not distract the pitchers. Court construction is unique, high rubber backstop does not obstruct your view because bleacher area starts approximately 4 ft. above court area. It is excellant for viewing both ends of the horseshoe courts. High Plexiglas divides bleacher and court area, it also works as a sound barrier, players cannot hear spectator conversation from the court area. Beveled top of the stake prevents the shoe from flying upon impact and the rest of the force is absorbed by the high rubber backstop. Mounting of the stake (not bolted down) absorbs the flexibility. The new scoreboards can be viewed from both sides and have a shoe counter wheel. The clay does not stick to the horseshoes.

Sunday, June 15th, 82°, windy, comfortable inside the Hobbs Ice Arena!

EAU CLAIRE OPEN - JUNE 14 & 15 - 166 PITCHERS

The Eau Claire Horseshoe Club reports all good comments on their inside courts, clay and conditions. There are a few things they would like to improve, one of which is air circulation. They hope everything goes as well for the '87 World as it did for their Open. High game for men goes to Ray Hill, Wakefield, Mi., 82.0%; for women, Jane Smith, Balsam Lake, 80.0%.

- Class A - 1st Ray Hill, Wakefield, Mi., 73.8%; 2nd Len Lapovsky, Bloomington, Mn., 65.1%
- Class B - 1st Roger Comero, Cochrane, 58.9%; 2nd Donald Allen, St. Paul, Mn., 56.6%
- Class C - 1st Clayton Gage, Milltown, 55.7%; 2nd Jim Holland, Anoka, Mn., 52.9%
- Class D - 1st Randy Rein, Mosinee, 57.7%; 2nd Donald Marx, Marion, Ia., 44.7%
- Class E - 1st Ernie Ulku, Minnetonka, Mn., 40.3%; 2nd Dale Niceswanger, Chetek, 49.4%
- Class F - 1st Mark Goodwin, Coon Rapids, Mn., 44.0%; 2nd Delbert Karsjens, Clarks Grove, Mn., 44.6%
- Class G - 1st Owen Simmons, Nashua, Ia., 51.1%; 2nd Bob Simpson, Hudson, 40.3%
- Class H - 1st Ken Jevne, Mondovi, 43.4%; 2nd Gene Anderson, Roseville, Mn., 37.4%
- Class I - 1st Rudy Larson, River Falls, 45.4%; 2nd Leonard Lazar, Hawkins, 48.6%
- Class J - 1st Dan Paff, Chippewa Falls, 40.6%; 2nd Robert Gregorich, Spencer, 36.0%
- Class K - 1st Rolly Topper, Eau Claire, 36.0%; 2nd Al Johnson, Eau Claire, 34.3%
- Class L - 1st Gary Bloedorn, Fonddu Lac, 34.4%; 2nd Bill McNaughto, EauGalle, 38.3%
- Class M - 1st Dewayne Hazen, Eau Claire, 38.0%; 2nd Laurence Suda, Greenwood, 29.4%
- Class N - 1st Richard Engmann, Marshfield, 37.4%; 2nd Bill Nichols, Brooklyn Center, 36.3%
- Class O - 1st Norman Crook, Eau Claire, 19.7%; 2nd Lowell Topper, Eleva, 19.4%
- Class P - 1st Marvin Topper, Bloomington, Mn., 23.2%; 2nd Garth Topper, Mondovi, 18.0%

EAU CLAIRE OPEN - JUNE 14 & 15 166 PITCHERS (CONT'D)

Class A Women - 1st Jackie Hughs, Bloomington, Mn., 61.3%; 2nd Jane Smith, Balsam Lake, 65.3%  
 Class B Women - 1st Sarah Ross, Withe, 50.9%; 2nd Ev Goshaw, Eau Claire, 49.4%  
 Class C Women - 1st Linda Blum, Eau Claire, 30.0%; 2nd Judy Karjens, Clarks Grove, Mn., 31.1%  
 Class D Women - 1st Beaty Bestul, Eau Claire, 17.0%; 2nd Sue Rein, Mosinee, 17.3%  
 Class A Juniors - 1st Debby Bestul, Eau Claire, 45.3%; 2nd April Gage, St. Paul, Mn., 38.0%  
 Class B Juniors - 1st Stacy Backhaug, Rogers, Mn., 33.5%; 2nd Craig Novinski, Mineral Point, 33.5%

LITTLE MUSKY BAR

If your going up north this summer, you may want to take your shoes along. The Little Musky Bar corner of Hwy. 51 and 70, Arbor Vitae, Wi. sponsors horseshoe tournaments on six lighted clay courts. The remaining schedule is:

July 20 - mens open singles, \$5.00 entry fee, qualify on Saturday or Sunday morning.  
 August 3 - womens open singles, \$5.00 entry fee, qualify on Saturday or Sunday morning.  
 August 17 - "Miller High Life" 6 man open team tournament - 30% Team, entries close August 14, trophies and cash prizes.  
 August 31 - doubles, \$3.00 per person, entry fee.  
 September 7 - Gal-Guy, blind doubles, \$2.50 per person, entry fee.  
 September 21 - doubles, \$3.00 per person, entry fee  
 October 5 - doubles, \$3.00 per person, entry fee.

All tournaments start at 1:00 P.M. - entries close at 12:30 P.M. - double elimination.

EAGLE OPEN - AUGUST 1, 2 & 3

The big one; sometimes so many pitchers, games may be limited to 30-40 shoes. Large tent set-up, lots of tables, will handle a big crowd. Easy to find, easy parking and they serve tap beer, 12 sand courts. Fred Zeilstra, 423 Meadow Ct., Eagle, Wi 53119 DEADLINE JULY 25

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Send check, payable to Eau Claire Horseshoe Club, along with camera ready art before December 1, 1986 to: Kay Bauer, 1411 Bend Court, Eau Claire, Wi 54701, ph. 715-835-0395.

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TRENTON VIEW OPEN - WEST BEND - JUNE 6, 7 & 8 - 114 PITCHERS

T. D., Carl Shade reports 18 first time tournament players.

- Class A - 1st Roger Poutanen, Schofield, 63.8%; (high game, 82%); 2nd Bret Pritzlaff, Germantown, 57.1%
- Class B - 1st Randy Rein, Mosinee, 50.0%; 2nd Jim Haupt, Milwaukee, 47.1%
- Class C - 1st Warren Knippel, Waukesha, 41.2%; 2nd Gerald Weikert, Marshall, 39.2%
- Class D - 1st Harold Wendorf, Glenbeulah, 32.2%; 2nd Bob Jackson, Baraboo, 25.1%
- Class E - 1st Roy Wolf, Milwaukee, 28.7%; 2nd Dave Strupp, West Bend, 26.6%
- Class F - 1st Bob Damkot, Sheboygan, 14.0%; 2nd Len Meistad, Racine, 23.0%
- Class G - 1st Ken Davison, Menomonee Falls, 22.8%; 2nd Bob Leon, West Bend, 18.2%
- Class H - 1st Harry Sciezor, Grafton, 26.5%; 2nd Dan Ebert, Fredonia, 19.0%
- Class I - 1st Mark Keickhafer, West Bend, 9.0%; 2nd Harland Laird, West Bend, 9.0%
- Class J - 1st John Krueger, Hartford, 22.0%; 2nd Bob Johnson, West Bend, 18.7%
- Class K - 1st Dan Johnson, West Bend, 16.0%; 2nd Bob Gremminger, West Bend, 15.5%
- Class L - 1st David Fritsch, West Bend, 14.5%; 2nd Roger Kesslet, West Bend, 8.5%
- Class A Women - 1st Karen Molitor, Port Washington, 42.0%; 2nd Debby Bestul, Eau Claire, 46.0%
- Class B Women - 1st Faith Jackson, Baraboo, 39.0%; 2nd Jodi Fischer, West Bend, 26.0%
- Class C Women - 1st Carol Johnson, West Bend, 17.9%; 2nd Linda Nuey, West Bend, 21.6%
- Class D Women - 1st Linda Dalton, West Bend, 8.7%; 2nd Sandy Patterson, West Bend, 2.9%

MUSKEGO OPEN - JUNE 14 & 15 - 62 PITCHERS

Rain Saturday forced re-scheduling to Sunday of two classes and the cancellation of Class H. All money remained in the class and T. D., Wayne Franzen paid five places. Beloit, WI was well represented.

- Class A - 1st Dick Hansen, Franksville, 58.0%; 2nd Milt Larsen, New Berlin, 54.6%
- Class B - 1st Tom Kau, Franksville, 49.1%; 2nd Mike McDonald, Sturtevant, 42.0% (had to beat Chris Kitti, West Allis twice)
- Class C - 1st Gerald Weikert, Marshall, 46.8%; 2nd Red Ferguson, Beloit, 43.9%, Geri Meistad, Racine was 3rd, pitching 50.0% and a tournament high game of 70%.
- Class D - 1st Warren Knippel, Waukesha, 45.7%; 2nd Rudy Stark, Eagle, 36.4%
- Class E - 1st Mike Paulson, Cudahy, 41.1%; 2nd Harold Laws, Beloit, 34.3%
- Class F - 1st Ron Lorue, Mukwonago, 42.1%; 2nd Hank Zeisse, Franklin, 31.4%
- Class G - Dennis Zeisse, Claedonia, 30.0%; 2nd Dave Pratt, Mukwonago, 23.5%
- Class I - 1st Mary Lang, Muskego, 23.0%; 2nd Sally Kabash, Milwaukee, 16.5%

EAU CLAIRE'S RAFFLE PRIZE LIST

- 1st - Two roundtrip airline tickets for anywhere in domestic United States, between Sept. 1, 1986 through Sept. 1, 1987.
- 2nd - Cabin for 4 people, one week (boat included) during 1987 vacation season.
- 3rd - Housekeeping cottage, 4 people, one week in 1987 vacation season.
- 4th - Holiday weekend for 2 people at Holiday Inn, Eau Claire, before August 15, 1987.

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ADVERTISEMENT

The 1986 Platteville Open will be held on August 15, 16 and 17th. Platteville is the summer training camp of the Super Bowl Champion Chicago Bears football team. There are (8) lighted clay courts, 14 ft. spacing concrete pads for women and juniors and enclosed with a 4 ft. chain link fence. All (8) player classes, when possible and (3) trophies each class plus payback thru 4th place (except juniors). The entry fee is \$11.00 which includes paid scorekeepers, 75¢ per game this year.

Class A Men is \$13.00 and Juniors are \$2.00. The entry fee must accompany all Mens and Womens entry.

Country Kitchen Restaurant of Platteville has sponsored us with \$100 cash which will be divided equally between Class A and Class B Men and payback thru 5th place in those classes.

Doug Stittleburg of Reedsburg, wi. is the defending champ in Class A Men

THE ENTRY DEADLINE IS JULY 30, 1986

Send entries to: Norman R. Mauthe, 865 Eastman Street, Platteville, wi 53818 Ph. 608-348-9697

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SWENS OPEN - GREEN BAY - JUNE 21 & 22 - 66 PITCHERS

All money remained in each class as T. D., Wally Srenaski, paid all places. Only a few players balked at turning their own courts and yes, Class A pitchers do keep score. We saw the State Champ in the chair most of Saturday. Carl Joppe, you're O.K.! Thanks to the entire Green Bay Club for a fun tournament.

- Class A - 1st Ray Hill, Wakefield, Mi., 68.3%; 2nd Bret Pritzlaff, Germantown, 60.9%
- Class B - 1st Jim Haupt, Milwaukee, 45.0%; 2nd Ken Smith, Escanaba, Mi., 49.0%
- Class C - 1st Ottis Wessely, Oneida, 54.0%; 2nd Leon Uhl, Sheboygan, 50.0%
- Class D - 1st Wally Michaels, Fredonia, 37.7%; 2nd Jim King, Green Bay, 30.3%
- Class E - 1st Gerald Rivera, Omro, 42.0% (thats 14 percentage points over average); 2nd Bill Matey, Appleton, 31.0%
- Class F - 1st Ted Schippeer, Oconto, 37.0%; 2nd Donny Burmeister, Brown Deer, 28.0%
- Class G - 1st Dick Baeten, De Pere, 24.0%; 2nd John Quant, Green Bay, 25.0%
- Class H - 1st Jerry Gossen, Green Bay, 26.0%; 2nd Joe Felton, Green Bay, 18.0%
- Class A Women - 1st Cyrena Srenaski, Green Bay, 53.0%; 2nd Faith Jackson, Baraboo, 37.0%

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