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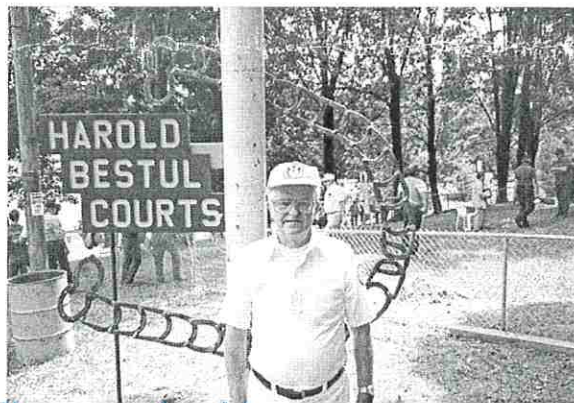
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Harold Bestul, Dead at age 87

Harold G. Bestul, 87, of Plover and formerly of Rosholt passed away Wednesday, Jan. 28, 2004, at his residence. Harold was born in Portage County, on Feb. 24, 1916, son of the late Charles and Alma (Aanunsen) Bestul.

On April 27, 1949, at St. Mark Catholic Church, St. Paul, Minn., he was united in marriage to Martha M. Druar. Harold owned and operated a family dairy farm for numerous years until his retirement. In conjunction, he also was employed by the Rosholt School District and then the Veterans Home in King, retiring from the Veterans Home after 13 years of service. He was a member of the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Harold was an avid sports enthusiast who excelled at horseshoes. He was the 1983 Wisconsin State Horseshoe Champion and was inducted into the Wisconsin State Horseshoe Hall of Fame in 1984. Harold was a member of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, Wisconsin Horseshoe Pitchers Association for many years, and also competed in Senior Olympics events in central Wisconsin. Above all, he loved spending time with his family and will forever be remembered for his clever wit.



A Son's Letter

Dear Ken,

Thank you for your condolences. Dad will be missed. After he had to give up pitching and bowling, because he was getting too weak, he just wanted to go home and be with the Lord. As he stated, he outlived himself and was ready to go home (but you can bet he will be practicing up in heaven). He

had a great life and was a wonderful father.

I have enclosed a picture of Dad at the horseshoe courts that were dedicated to him at the Rosholt Fairgrounds. It seems most fitting for this occasion. I am sure you would

agree. Perhaps I will find time again to start back pitching. I sure miss the people and the competition.

If possible, I would like a copy of the newsletter you put this in for our family album.

Sincerely,

Tom Bestul
Fond du Lac, WI

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Rudy Van Fleet 202B Parkview Columbus, WI 53925		
920-623-4924	28-04-008	D/L 2-29
MAR 20	SPRING MEETING PLOVER	Free
Elizabeth Inn Jct. I-39 & 54 Plover, WI 1:00 PM		
MAR 27 - 28	SPRING FLING	28-04-012 \$18
Earl Paulson 7105 S Co Hwy H, Beloit, WI 53511		
608-879-2304	bhc.tw@wekz.net	Limit 72 D/L 3-15
APR 3-4	CARLEY'S; Arena	\$18
Bun Carley 22545 Stibbe La Richland Ctr, WI 53581		
608-647-6679	Sanctioned	D/L 3-20
APR 24	CLUB TEAM; Beloit	\$84
Jim Haupt 5075 N Elkhart Milw, WI 53217		
414-964-2735	28-04-013	D/L 4-10
APR 25	WHPA DOUBLES	\$40 Team
John Secord W6868 Brown Rd., Fond du Lac, WI 54937		
920-922-0080	28-04-014	D/L 4-3
MAY 1	THE BELOIT ENCORE	\$18
Earl Paulson 7105 S Co Hwy H, Beloit, WI 53511		
608-879-2304	28-04-018	D/L 4-24
MAY 8	Eau Claire Earlybird	\$5
Wayne Totten 2926 Kohlhepp Rd., Eau Claire WI 54703		
715-858-9470	28-04-019	D/L4-24
MAY 13-14-15	TEAM-WORLD	\$200
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The President's Column

The Spring Meeting is on March 20, 2004 at 1:00pm at the Elizabeth Inn, Jct I-39 and 54, Plover. I realize not everyone can make it to the meeting, but if you have a chance and want to take a drive, it will be nice to see you there. Like it was stated in a recent newsletter, there are decisions made with too few of people.

We have two bylaw changes to discuss. The first is to have two NHPA tournament sanction numbers issued for the Wisconsin State Tournament: one for regular classes and one for Championship classes. This is the way the NHPA does it, so we should follow.

The second is to have 40 shoe games in all classes at the State Tournament, except for Championship classes. Well, personally I like the 8 person, 50 shoe games. It is what keeps the State tournament different, but I can also understand the age factor and holding a better schedule with 40 shoe games. However, I don't think we need a bylaw change, which would set it in stone. Right now, the Executive Board has options to lower 8 person classes to 40 shoes, but keep 6 person classes at 50 shoes (try to explain to these pitchers why they are pitching 80 shoes less than an 8 person class at 40 shoes). My suggestion is to drop the bylaw change. Come to the meeting and tell the Executive Board what you want!

We are also going to decide the location of the 2005 State tournament. If you are interested, be there.

Check your schedules and enter some tournaments! Take a close look at the deadlines, especially for the State Doubles.

Good pitching,
Tom

ATTENTION WISCONSIN HORSESHOE PITCHERS

Just a small notice in case some of you were not aware, the Sandbagger's Horseshoe Club is still open for business. We are currently running non-sanctioned doubles events, at least once a month, along with our regularly scheduled singles tournaments that are listed in the Newsletter schedule. These tournaments are indoors at the old Sandbar. Should anyone need any info on the doubles events, contact Bun Carley or Ed Wheeler. Phone numbers and email addresses are listed below.

The outdoor courts have been purchased by the Arena Sandbagger Horseshoe Club, so watch the Newsletter for a lot of outdoor events to come during the warmer weather.

Thank you and we hope to start seeing a lot of familiar faces in the very near future.

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NEW MEMBERS FOR 2004

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Jerry Loose - Greenville
Stephanie Morris - Watertown
Todd Pinkham - Arena
Matt Ramsdell - Pell Lake
Bill Rirbel - Pleasant Prairie
Lemont Schulz - Madison
Eugene Schulz - Madison
Dick Sievert - Delavan
Keith Stocks - Eagle
Rick Waugh - Janesville
Jeff Wild - Monroe

Your tournament patches and certificates for 2004 will be available at the Spring meeting in Plover.

Ken Jaeger Sr. - Regional Director

CLUB TEAM

Here we go again with the Wisconsin version of Team World. Effectively it demonstrates where the best pitchers in the state live. That is one reason we stick to club and area teams. Bragging rights go a long way.

We differ from Team World in that we are divided into classes. Looking at four classes again. Starting with Class C and D at 10:00 AM and following with A and B at 2:00 PM. Six teams per class would fill the courts but demand has pushed it to the limit of seven in the past.

Beloit has already surveyed its members and has enough for four teams. Because each class is numerically seeded in descending order, two teams from the same base may unfortunately end up in the same class. It's the luck of the draw and gives every team a

fair chance.

Lets not forget the Muhlenbeck trophies for B, C and D. Last year's winners are expected to return, trophies in hand engraved with their mark, ready to travel possibly to another winner this year.

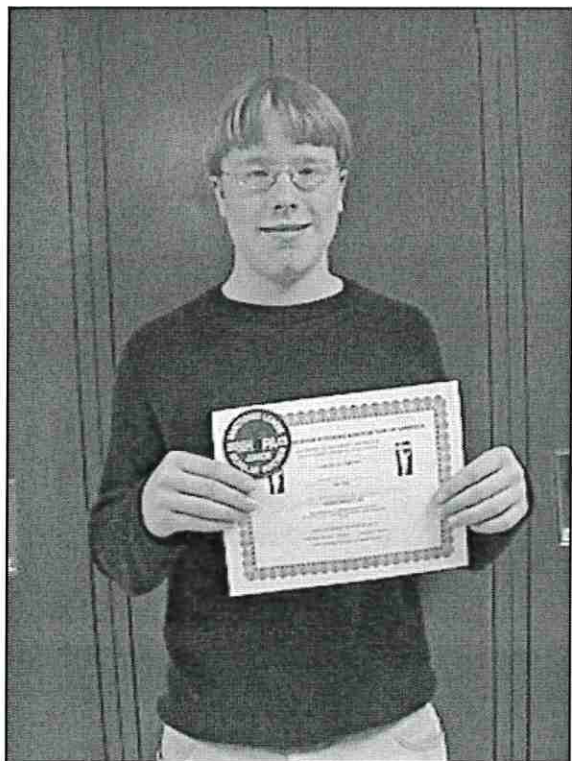
Club teams are in demand. County and area teams are recognized as are teams representing pitching establishments. Submit names of your team members and reason you believe they should be allowed entry for approval if there is any doubt.

Start to organize your teams now. I have nine teams who have reserved entry as of press time. I honestly feel that a team or two may have to be turned away to meet the upper limit of 28 teams. The other option is to pitch a night class. Who do you know wants to go?

The Junior Corner



Hi! I am Nicola Hickethier, a freshman at Unity High School in Balsam Lake, WI. I am enjoying the school year very much - even the homework! Being a leader of my freshmen class and president of my South Milltown 4-H club, gives me leadership opportunities and keeps me busy. I also participate in school sports: volleyball, basketball, and softball; and horseshoe during the summer months. Pitching horseshoes for the past 6 years has been a fun and rewarding sport for me. Pitching in the World Tournament in Eau Claire, WI was an experience I will never forget. I won all of my games the first two days and after the third day ended up with a few losses and a tie for the championship of my class. We played the tie breaker and I won! One of my younger brothers also was a champion in his class. My family has helped me in my horseshoe pitching career. My Grandma Carol, Aunt Shari, brothers, Rush and Cash, cousins, Beau and Jake, also pitch. My parents don't pitch but are willing to travel the miles so we can compete in the State and local tournaments. Thanks Mom and Dad for taking me to so many places and being by my side no matter what happens. I would also like to give a big thanks to Jane Smith for starting the Junior league in Centuria, and believing in everyone who starts pitching in our Junior league.



Nicola Hickethier of Centuria and Zach Hines of Balsam Lake won scholarships from the NHPA Sanctioned League program. They are also both member of the NHPA Honor Society. Congratulations to these two outstanding juniors from the Close Doesn't Count Horseshoe Club.

The above letter was written by Nicola to Lorraine Sternberg, NHPA Vice President and head of the Sanctioned League program.

Beloit is Green

They called it the Snowflake but this report comes from the green grass of Red's Pitchin' Palace. Outside there's a brand new black asphalt parking lot. Inside the green turf, last used at the Eau Claire World, is spread across most of the area between the stakes.

Last year Beloit entered a mostly Illinois team in the annual Club Team tournament. It would be no problem, should they desire, to enter another top contending team, all hailing from Illinois.

Class A

Robt Schaver	5/0	64.80
Penny Steinke	3/2	65.20
Dennis Reid	2/3	58.40

Class B

Dan Bloom	3/2	57.20
Betty Douglas	2/3	47.60
Don Burmeister	2/3	46.80

Class C

Mitch Vahanek	4/1	49.20
Al Huizenga	3.5/1.5	47.20
Harold Laws	2.5/2.5	51.60

Class D

Hi Chaffin	4/1	42.40
Brandon Wilson	3/2	43.40
Bud Hammer	3/2	40.00

Class E

Cody Stone	5/0	45.20
Roger Doering	3.5/1.5	39.60
Earl Paulson	3/2	32.80

Class F

Jesse Garza	5/0	45.20
Milt Larsen	3/2	42.80
Pete Kumlien	2/3	30.80

Class G

Linda Hycnar	5/0	36.40
Ron Stevens	3.5/1.5	34.00
Lavere Roesslein	3.5/1.5	27.60

Class H

Mike Lange	5/0	32.80
Sue Lange	3.5/1.5	24.00
Tony Elder	2.5/2.5	24.80

BELOIT

Jim Haupt

Are the guys from Beloit smarter or does it just seem that way? At Beloit we use the same NHPA designed scorekeeping devices that we do in Arena. The difference being that Arena has larger numbers on the magnetic column so that ringers may be tabulated there and the full score appears on the wheels.

Beloit keeps the ringers on the wheels and single points under the magnets. The question is, who needs the full score? It is another operation for the scorekeeper already pressed to remember the shoe count.

Scoring at Deansville is even tougher. They do it with plugs into the proper holes advancing as the game progresses. Move the shoe plug(s). Move the ringer plug(s). Add to the score and move those plugs.

Who needs the total score to play the game of horseshoes? Isn't ringers and points enough? We

thought we had stumbled on to a new and better method but some pitchers are slow to accept it.

Deansville Singles on

Jan. 31-Feb. 1

from Rudy Van Fleet
Class A

1st - Clayton Gage	6-1	63.5%
2nd - Jim Larson	6-1	55.0%
3rd - Mitch Vyhanek	5-2	55.3%

Class B

1st - Julio Tijerina	6-1	42.5%
2nd - Steve Kulow	6-1	38.2%
3rd - Sonny Cockroft	5-2	36.4%

Class C

1st - Richard Wisneiswki	6-1	41.7%
2nd - Mike Lange	6-1	32.1%
3rd - Augie Potter	5-2	33.2%

Class D

1st - Bruce Tateria	6-1	29.6%
2nd - Vicki Vyhanek	6-1	25.35%
3rd - Sue Lange	5-2	23.2%

Tom Steinke, the new pres, received special recognition before his class. Kerry Morris and the Deansville bunch had some fun as they presented Steinke with a few surprise gag gifts.

Class I

Leslie Stone	5/0	40.00
Joel Ramsdell	3/2	20.40
Ken Hopp	2/3	26.0

Class J

Roland Swaim	4/1	19.60
Tim Fisher	4/1	16.80
Rick Waugh	3/2	21.60

Class K

Julie Petrovski	5/0	20.40
Jim Huckabee	3/2	20.80
Wayne Goers	3/2	16.00

CARLEYS' DOUBLES 2/21/04

Just when they need pitcher participation, the Arena took a holiday. Twenty pitchers showed up for this doubles event. That's short by a dozen.

Bob Jackson, an award winning pitcher of years ago, the first pitcher of the year 1990, is gearing up to do it again. If his back holds up he could make a run for it. He was Bun's partner on this day.

Class A

1--Harold Laws and Norm Beckius--7 wins

2--Don Burmeister and Emil Blair--5 wins

3 Red Ferguson and J Haupt 3 wins

Beat Bun and Bob by 1 point for 3rd

We paid \$35.00----\$25.00----\$10.00

Down and Back

With Jim Haupt

A column with a by-line where you may, if you wish, point your finger.

Thinking about the Hall of Fame the other day. We watched Randy Rein hang his plaque. In the honorary remarks made prior by yours truly, it was said that Rein was the pitcher with the second most wins in WHPA history, nine times. Rein corrected the number saying Harvey Elmerson also won nine times. It's true and means one thing, Rein is actually counting and will get an extra kick out of winning the next time.

We all know it will happen next year if not this year. Then what? He's already received our highest honor. What else can we do?

Some people have won the state title just one time and used it as stepping stone to the Hall of Fame. This guy, Rein has done it nine times! He could go on for another nine.

The same lack of an appropriate award goes for all of our valued members who are already in the Hall. Right now we could use one of those additional awards, an oak leaf cluster, if you understand what I mean, for performance above and beyond the call of duty.

If you were in the movies we could give you another Oscar. Could we take away your HOF award and possibly return it for good behavior?

Think about it. Let's come up with something.

Our old (94) friend Bob Wilke writes; to offer the WHPA his display of old horseshoes. Perhaps some have seen it last on view at Wausau a few years ago.

Tom Steinke says he has made arrangements to visit and pick-up the old shoes when the weather warms.

Wilke included this little story. He always does.

Back in the year 1945, months of June and July, I run a D-X service station corner of 43rd and Lisbon, Milwaukee. This was back in the days of gas rationing. When one day, in a drives a guy with an inner tube with a real slow leak in it. Well, during the time I was fixing it, he talked to me. He was Ed Mitchell, Ya Ed Mitchell! the guy that won the first Wisconsin State Horseshoe Championship in 1923. As a remembrance of that day, in which there was gas rationing, I'm enclosing one of my gas stamps. You keep it. It might be valuable some day. It was good for four gallons of gas, sixty years ago—without it, no gas.

ED. Thanks for the tale Bob you always tell a good story, but the stamp is missing. It must have slipped out of the envelope. How much was a gallon of gas then?

Received a note from Francis Schalk. He called it Horseshoe Dream. So good it must be a dream.

It happens that the people of the Oxford VFW are considering erecting an indoor horseshoe

arena. Perhaps similar to the Deansville building.

Of course the investment will have to be justified and perceived as an eventual profit making venture.

A meeting considering the building is scheduled for March 3 which may be already past. I know you would all offer your support. We can only hope the decision is favorable.

Last issue we did a ton of editing in order to make room for material we felt we owed to our subscribers.

I recall writing about the white backboards now in place at the Sandbar but I do not recall reading same. Anyway, that's it. The Sandbag team played the National Sanctioned League Tournament in Joelton, Tennessee and one of the new ideas they brought home is the use of white backboards—really striking.

You won't see them at a state tournament unless the rule for black boards and white stakes is officially changed. A task the Sandbaggers could handle at a future state meeting

Ken Kosky was confirmed as the new head of NHPA Game Related Sales, by the NHPA Executive Council at their annual meeting in January of this year. Ken will take over from Ed Domey who originally started Game Related Sales in the early 1980's. The changeover takes place officially on April 1.

Catchin' Up

November 1-2, 2003

This weekend we are in Beloit for the Autumn Harvest.. Last week it was Do It in Deansville. Next week Almost Wasn't in Arena. All it takes is a little scare that there may a shortage of pitching space and tournament directors react offering more events.

Your winter hosts are interesting people.

Earl Paulson, the tournament director and driving force in the Beloit club is the main man in evidence at tournament time.

The prevailing format in Beloit is 7-man classes using just three courts allowing for two classes per shift.

Rudy Van Fleet is the organizer at Deansville, now offering more events and more weekly pitching opportunities. The Deansville Club is the latest club to become a Sanctioned League Club in Wisconsin.

Eddie Wheeler is the self made "Tournament Monster" doing the director job at his home courts, Arena. The guys of the Sandbar have arranged to lease the building this winter for \$500 per month. That explains the new entry fee of \$18, the same as Beloit. At least \$3 of the entry will go do defray court rental. The Sandbaggers club is also selling beer, soda, and barbeque sandwiches trying to raise a little profit.

The old Sandbar is not yet open to the public. Extensive remodeling is being done. The ceiling in the bar area has been dropped creating a half deck or second floor. While the court area is much the same, the rest of the building and result is anybody's guess. With all the new carpenter work being done it resembles a wooden palace. Rumor has it the place is gearing to be a gentlemen's club.

See notice on page 4

Due to the sheer volume of news in the Jan-Feb issue of the Newsletter, we were forced to arbitrarily postpone the printing of some of it. We apologize to the ones we missed.

SANTA'S SINGLES

CLASS A

- 1) KERRY MORRIS 4 - 1 44.00%
- 2) DON BURMEISTER 3 - 2 53.00%
- 3) RON LINGARD 3 - 2 34.00%

CLASS B

- 1) TONY SCRIMA 5 - 0 49.20%
- 2) EMIL BLAIR 4 - 1 40.40%
- 3) TIP WIPPERFURTH 3 - 2 34.40%

CLASS C

- 1) ED MELL 4 - 1 34.80%
- 2) DAVE FORSETH 3 - 2 35.60%
- 3) JOHN MILLS 3 - 2 27.60%

CLASS D

- 1) KEVIN BREKKE 4 - 1 28.40%
- 2) MILLARD HARDING 4 - 1 21.60%
- 3) PHIL HAAS 3 - 2 18.40%

THANKS TO ALL THAT ENTERED, AND TO THOSE WHO HELP WITH THIS EVENT. I ALSO WANT TO WISH ALL OF THE WISCONSIN HORSESHOE PITCHERS, AND THERE FAMILIES A HAPPY AND SAFE HOLIDAY SEASON.
THANK YOU
ED WHEELER

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Jeff Coile, Jimmy Coile, David Coile		
3rd SANDBAR SANDBAGGERS, WI. 27.5 17.5		
Dave Forseth, Bernard Carley, Ken Frame		
4th PERRY, GA. 26.5 18.5		
Buddy Ayer, Dane Clark, Doyle Johnson		
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Roy Evens, Richard Altis, Mick Gillette		
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Dave Rose, Jim Cooper, Roy Lyons, Dave Tabler		
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In My Opinion

Foul Line

Response to letter of a previous issue.

Bob Kabella makes a good point; WHNL-Nov.-Dec. '03. The word "Foul Line" seems to say it all. Stepping over it simply is a foul and should not be permitted.

The solution is so simple I am surprised I have not seen it used. A three inch high curb could easily be installed at the end of the approach slab forming a barrier. Stepping or tripping on or over the barrier would be considered a foul and existing NHPA rules take over. The same barrier should be in place for 30 footers.

-Dave Haupt, Green Bay

ED. Hey Dave,

Thanks for the reply. You win the monthly prize for the best letter submitted to this publication. Heard you got a new hip. Hope it helps your pitching. You know Elmer Hohl got really good but only after breaking his arm. Good Luck.

As far as your suggestion goes, you want us to get hurt stumbling over those curbs?

Actually because of an official court diagram of the time, the new courts at Trenton View Country Club, West Bend, did have 1-1/2 inch raised foul lines. (1986?) I stumbled there only a couple of times. Organizer, Carl Schade died and the club has since faded from favor.

Regarding the raging foul line controversy, I hope you'll consider the opinion of a semi-outsider.

It seems that some (even some with the same name as mine) want to take their lead from the sport of bowling and, while the sport of horseshoes is similar in many regards, this one small aspect of the game is not.

The foul line rule in bowling exists for a simple reason. And that is because a bowler's lead foot slides to the foul line. The foot is in contact with the floor all the while the ball is being delivered. Consequently, it

may be difficult to know if the ball is released before or after the line has been crossed. Further, there are few, if any, bowlers who need an extra step to maintain their balance after delivering the ball. Hence the rule is: Don't break the foul line.

In contrast, the body mechanics of horseshoes requires the pitcher to plant the lead foot and deliver the shoe well before any other foot, arm, elbow, nose or other appendage could touch down on the other side of the line. And there are few judges/scorekeepers who would fail to notice this transgression. If you don't believe me, try it. You'll find that your body mechanics won't cooperate.

Bottom line: this rule is not worth reconsideration. I suggest the rules committee turn its attention to more worthy matters like getting everyone to pitch from the same distance.

Respectfully,

John A. Haupt

ED again.

On my honor I did not elicit nor do endorse the only two responses to Bob Kabella's foul line letter. I had hoped that it may spur some subscribers to get their feet wet.

Writing your opinion is actually very easy. Only some of you realize that. I wish it was more apparent to more people.

A Note from a Friend

We received a note from Carl Gilbertson regarding the resolution of a tie game.

The rules, Gilbertson pointed out provide for a double inning finish, down and back, if you will.

Rule 10. DOUBLES PLAY, Gilbertson further points out would call for a double-double inning finish for ties according to the last eight words of that paragraph, "...Otherwise, all rules for singles play shall apply."

Gilbertson argues that one extra inning (no down and back, just down) is enough for baseball and should also be for horseshoes.

Do we all agree?

Friends We'll Miss

JACK FREEMAN

Early in January Jack Freeman died of a massive heart attack. He was 69.

He was sometimes known as "Doc" and really was an MD with his own pathology clinic.

To all horseshoe pitchers he was the man who built the Joelton horseshoe complex and was in the process of donating the facility to the NHPF.

Jack started as an NHPA pitcher in 1988 and it was about that time that I first met him. It was at the Showboat Las Vegas tournament.

I was keeping score. It paid two dollars per game and made for easy casino money. Jack was pitching on my court. When he offered to pay I refused it and in turn asked him to send me a Tennessee schedule as I had a son living in Nashville and might like to pitch down there.

Some time later he did send that schedule and, he included a ten dollar bill which would cover the entry fee. Thanks, I replied and began a Newsletter subscription for him instead.

Eventually I did get to pitch Nashville more than a few times and really enjoyed it when in his pre-game remarks, He introduced me as his good friend from Wisconsin.

EARL SIMLER

Husband to Nancy, father of Dennis passed away recently.

As a horseshoe pitcher, Earl was a frequent visitor to the Beloit club. He resided in Forreston, Illinois but was well traveled. We saw the Simler's at every World tournament we attended.

In later years his percentage was dropping until recently, maybe two years, when he stepped up to become a short distance pitcher. He is currently listed as almost 40%. O how good that must have been. To know Earl is to understand why there is an Elders class.

Earl Simler was an enjoyable man.

2004 Membership Card

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

2003 card number _____

Circle one

MEN WOMEN ELDERS (30FT) JUNIOR

Send \$17 Adult, \$5 Junior to:

WHPA

W6868 Brown Rd

Fond du Lac, WI 54937

(send SASE for card return)

Many of you know Dick Muhlenbeck of Bristol. Dick has had problems with his game recently. After some doctoring without too much success it was determined that he needed to have his hip replaced. He will have the surgery on march 5th. The doctor assures him that he will be able to play horseshoes this summer sometime. We all may have to be at our best as this will probably improve his game in the near future. If anyone would like to send a card his address is: 19737 84th pl #1 Bristol WI 53104.

Tournament Guidelines

Get your tournament date on the State schedule and obtain a NHPA sanction number from your Regional Director.

Ken Jaeger
N3539 Knight Rd.
New London, WI. 54961
920-982-6287 E-mail- deershoe@athenet.net

Once you receive your NHPA sanction #, your Sanction Certificate and patches will be sent or given to you in passing or at the Spring and Fall Meeting preferably the latter. You will receive tournament and class champion patches in the required amount that you ordered. All unused patches should be returned to me as soon as possible.

Read the WHPA and NHPA By-laws and Rules to become more familiar with the rules and regulations of the game.

It is a good idea to have these books at the courts during the tournament.

Sanctioned tournaments, mean EVERY pitcher must have a current NHPA card, and pitch with sanction shoes. It is your duty as tournament director, to check both for their validity.

Post and distribute tournament flyers with the following information;

- A. Name, date, time, location, and tournament NHPA sanction number.
- B. Entry fee, deadline, and current average.
- C. Tournament director name, address, phone number and e-mail.
- D. Pay back and / or prizes, mixed classes, handicapped?
- E. Scorekeeping method-paid?
- F. Concessions?
- G. Any other relevant information.

Contact John Secord, WHPA Secretary/Treasurer, W6868 Brown Rd. Fond du Lac, WI 54937 (920) 922-0080 for current membership list and averages or check the Natstats listing through the NHPA website for current average. A current membership list will tell you who has purchased an updated card.

Send participants the schedule once it has been set.

Prior to the tournament, schedule a club work night to complete round robin cards, result charts, name tags, etc. Have several copies of the tournament schedule on hand, pens and pencils, scoresheets, markers, round robin cards, poster paper, rulers, etc.

During the tournament, as Director, it is your duty to keep the pace. It is advisable to post: copy of tournament schedule, Sanction certificate, and prizes.

After the tournament, results and the WHPA Tournament players fee of .50 cents per pitcher MUST be sent to John Secord (address above) within 7-14 days. Include the results form.

If your club chooses they may send results to each pitcher.

Send a copy of the results form to VP Jane Smith for "Pitcher of the Year" tabulations.
Jane Smith 1481 - 180th Ave., Balsam Lake, WI 54810

Update 2/2004 by Ken Jaeger Sr., NHPA Regional Director

Official 2004 WHPA

Summer Schedule

April 24	Club Team Beloit	\$84 team
Jim Haupt	5075 N Elkhart, Milw. WI. 53217	
414-964-2735	28-04-013	D/L 4-10
April 25	State Walking Doubles	\$40 team
John Secord	W6868 Brown Rd. Fond du lac WI 54937	
920-922-0080	28-04-014	D/L 3-31
May 1-2	Beloit Encore	\$20
Earl Paulson	7105 S Cty Hwy H, Beloit, WI 53511	
608-879-2304	28-04-018	D/L 4-25
May 8	Eau Claire Earlybird	\$5
Wayne Totten	2926 Kohlhepp Rd. Eau Claire WI 54703	
715-858-9470	28-04-019	D/L 4-24
May 14-15-16	Team World	\$200
Earl Paulson	7105 S Cty Hwy H, Beloit, WI 53511	
608-879-2304	28-04-020	D/L 4-15
May 15	Busting Loose Arena	\$18
Eddie Wheeler	W9070 Cty Hwy K, Lodi, WI 53555	
608-592-4424	28-04-021	D/L 5-1
May 29-30	Platteville Spring Singles	\$16
Norm Mauthe	865 Eastman St. Platteville, WI 53818	
608-348-9697	28-04-022	D/L 5-15
June 5-6	Wolf River Open Limit 64	\$15
Ken Jaeger	N3539 Knight Rd. New London, WI 54961	
920-982-6287	28-04-023	D/L 5-21
June 5	Eau Claire Open	\$15
Wayne Totten	2926 Kohlhepp Rd. Eau Claire WI 54703	
715-858-2304	28-04-024	D/L 5-22
June 12-13	Eagle River Open Limit 32	\$15
Larry Barber	2847 Greenbass Rd. Rhinelander, WI 54501	
715-282-3612	28-04-025	D/L 5-29
June 12-13	Beloit Spring Singles	\$15
Earl Paulson	7105 S Cty Hwy H, Beloit, WI. 53511	
608-879-2304	28-04-026	D/L 5-29
June 19	Marshfield Open	\$15
Dan David	282 Rangeline Rd. Auburndale, WI 54412	
715-384-3612	28-04-027	D/L 6-5
June 19-20	WinnebagoLand 3 Man Team	\$42/ team
Jeff Secord	615 Western Ave. Fond du lac, WI. 54935	
920-924-1521	28-04-028	D/L 5-31
3 Adult Players	Cap 125% Limit 20 Teams	
June 26	Windy Hill Open Limit 48	\$15
Ed Hack	3501 Wildwood La. Wausau, WI 54401	
715-842-0150	28-04-029	D/L 6-12
June 26-27	Goldendale Open	\$15
Terry Sternberg	W206N13520 Woodside Ln., Richfield, WI 53076	
262-677-3300	28-04-030	D/L 6-12
July 10	The Sizzle Arena	\$18
Eddie Wheeler	W9070 Cty Hwy K, Lodi, WI. 53555	
608-592-4424	28-04-031	D/L 6-26
July 9-10	Mid-Eastern Open Comb. Locks	\$15
	Unsanctioned	
July 11	Comb Locks Sanctioned limit 48	\$17
Rosemary Kamps	101 Kamps Ct.	
	Combined Locks, WI 54113	
920-788-3229	28-04-032	D/L 6-26
July 17	Green Bay Open	\$16
Steve Wiegert	1505 Ellis St. Green Bay, WI 54302	
920-435-6310	28-04-033	D/L 7-5
July 18	Oxford Open	\$17
Ron Balsiger	Box 168 Westfield, WI 53964	
608-296-1869	28-04-034	D/L 7-5
July 26 - Aug. 7	World Tournament	\$100
Dick Hansen	3085 76th St., Franksville, WI. 53126	
Aug. 14-15	Southern WI Open	\$15
Earl Paulson	7105 S. Cty. Hwy.H, Beloit, WI 53511	
608-879-2304	28-04-035	D/L 7-31
Aug. 21	Kenosha Open	\$15
Linda Johnson	8439 - 103rd Ave., Pleasant Praire, WI 53158	
262-694-0681	28-04-036	D/L 7-7
Aug 28	LA CROSSE OPEN	\$15
Ted Rohde	2034 S 32nd St., LaCrosse, WI 54601	
608-788-0318	28-04-042	D/L 8-14
Sept. 4-5-6	State Tournament Platteville	
John Secord	W6868 Brown Rd. Fond du lac. WI 54937	
920-922-0080	28-04-038	D/L 7-31
Sept. 10-11-12	VFW Doubles Comb. Locks	\$25/team
Don Navarrette	534 Woolawn Ct. Combined Locks, WI 54113	
920-788-1633	Unsanctioned	D/L 8-28
SEPT. 11-12	Wet 'n Wild; Centuria	\$10
Jane Smith	1481 180th St., Balsam Lake, WI 54810	
715-485-3057	28-04-040	D/L 8-28
Sept. 18	The No Reason Arena	\$18
Ed Wheeler	W9070 Cty. Hwy. K Lodi, WI. 53555	
608-592-4424	28-04-041	D/L 9-4
Sept. 25	Beloit Doubles	\$20 Team
Earl Paulson	7105 S. Cty. Hwy.H, Beloit, WI. 53511	
608-879-2304	Unsanctioned	D/L 9-11

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ENTRY FORM
National Horseshoe Pitchers Association
World Horseshoe Pitching Championships
July 26th to August 7th 2004
Pocatello, Idaho

Entry Deadline May 20th 2004

NAME _____ **2004 NHPA Card #** _____
(please print) First Last (or Canadian)

ADDRESS _____ **SS #** _____
(Optional)

CITY _____ **STATE/PROV** _____ **ZIP/POSTAL CODE** _____

Telephone: Home # _____ **Work #** _____ **Date of Birth** _____

Please list your local Newspaper _____

Circle the division you are entering - You can enter only one division (See notes near bottom of page)

OPEN MEN **SENIOR MEN** **OPEN WOMEN** **SENIOR WOMEN** **ELDERS** **JR. BOYS** **JR. GIRLS** **JR 9 & UNDER**
40' 40' (see note #1) 30' 20' (see note #2)

I believe my current average is approx _____ % **No refunds will be made after June 3rd 2004**

PARTICIPANTS LIABILITY RELEASE: In consideration of participating in such activity, I hereby waive, release and forever discharge the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, all officers, employees, agents and servants of the afore stated organization, and all fellow participants of this event, for any and all action, cause of action, damage, loss or injury, which I may suffer as a consequence of participating in the World Horseshoe Pitching Tournament.

SIGNED _____ **DATE** _____

-----mail top half only-----

We reserve the right to disallow your participation if we discover errors on this form or if your records don't appear in NatStats, CanStats, or false or misleading information is on this form.

MAIL THIS FORM with REGISTRATION FEES (PAYABLE TO NHPA)

TO: NHPA
3085 76th St
Franksville WI 53126

Direct Telephone Inquiries to:
Dick Hansen NHPA Sec/Treas.
262-835-9108

All Entries must be on this form and mailed with a postmark no later than **MAY 20th 2004**. Entries received with a postmark after May 20th shall be put on a waiting list and entered into the tournament only as space is available. NATSTATS/CANSTATS files must substantiate that you have pitched a minimum of four (4) sanctioned events in the preceding twelve (12) months, at your divisions pitching distance, prior to May 20th 2004, which is the last date NATSTATS will accept results to determine entering averages. Only one (1) event is required for Juniors. Participants will be required to show their 2004 NHPA or CANADIAN membership card when checking in to pitch.

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You may enter at anytime prior to MAY 20th. All averages used will be the average on record in NATSTATS/CANSTATS on MAY 20th, 2004

READ CAREFULLY: Any adult male pitching from the full distance platform may enter the **OPEN MEN'S DIVISION** regardless of age, just as any adult female may enter the **OPEN WOMEN'S DIVISION**. To enter the **SENIOR DIVISION**, you must be 60 years or older as of July 25th 2004. Any individual 70 years or older or physically impaired person of any age, all of which must pitch from less than the full distance platform, may enter the **ELDERS DIVISION**. **JUNIOR DIVISION** entrants must be 18 years old or less for the entire 2004 calendar year.

Note # 1. A minimum of 48 must enter this division or it will be canceled and all entrants will be placed in the Open Women.
Note # 2. The Junior 9 and under is for juniors under the age of 10. This division will be **CLASS PLAY ONLY**.

US RESIDENTS ONLY -INCLUDE a self addressed - stamped envelope if you would like a copy of your current average. This will be sent to you by NatStats. Canadian entries need to go direct to CANSTATS for their average. Or you can check your average on the NHPA Web Page at www.horseshoepitching.com
The pitching schedule will be finalized by **June 3rd** and will be mailed to the address you have listed above.

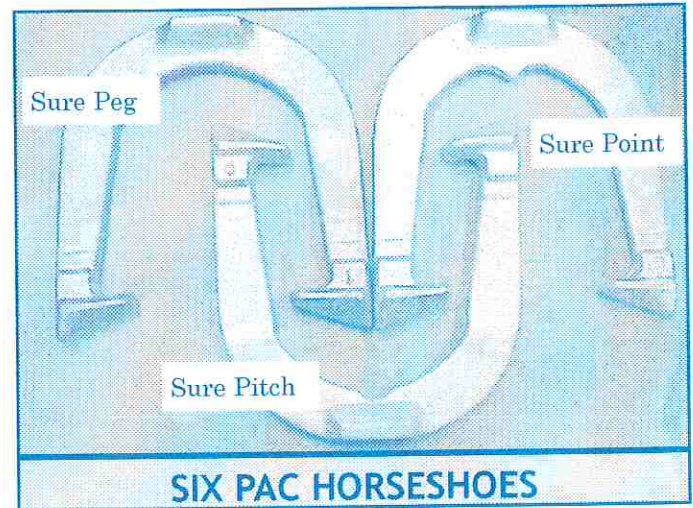
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