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An Unusually Crazy Year in Our World!

Tammy Newkirk from the Beloit Horseshoe Club received the following message earlier this month from Mark Edwards, Director of Parks and Recreation for the City of Beloit, and asked me to pass it along:

The city of Beloit is suspending all activities scheduled at all of the city's recreational parks, including Telfer Park, until at least June 1, 2020, due to health and safety concerns related to the COVID-19 virus.

Court setup for April 24-26 is cancelled. The Jim Haupt Memorial (Club Team), State Doubles, and Beloit Encore Tournaments will not be played on their scheduled dates at Telfer Park. Watch for communication from the following people for details on whether these tournaments will be rescheduled or cancelled:

- Club Team (Jim Haupt Memorial) - Dave Volz
- State Doubles - WHPA Executive Board
- Beloit Encore - Dan Newkirk

Team World is cancelled and will not be rescheduled in 2020.

The 2021 Team World Tournament will be held May 14, 15, and 16 at Telfer Park in Beloit.

NOT ONLY BELOIT EVENTS:BUT ALSO:

- WHPA State Spring Meeting
- Many April, May Open tournaments on hold.
- Please check the WHPA Website for updates and possible rescheduling of events. We offer continuous prayers for control of this dangerous virus.



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2020 NHPA/WHPA Membership & Renewal Form

Name: _____ Card # _____

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If renewal is after June 30th 2020, \$2 is added to dues

Send to: **WHPA W6868 Brown Rd. Fond du Lac, WI 54937**

(Note: If you want a printed membership card you can go to www.nhpa-eShoe.com to print one or include a self-addressed, stamped envelope to have one mailed to you.)

I would like to update our email dodo list, we currently have 126 members in our group but I'm not sure that all of the email addresses are up to date. If you have recently received an email from me via whpa <whpa@emaildodo.com> you are up to date. If you haven't or if you are new and would like to receive informational horseshoe emails. Please send your email address to davevolz@hotmail.com.



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For more information on Wisconsin Horseshoe Pitching visit us online at www.whpahorseshoes.com and "LIKE" us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/whpahorseshoes

2020 WHPA Sanctioned Tournament Schedule

Date	Tournament	Location	Max	Entry	Jr Class	Deadline	Contact
April 18	WHPA Spring Meeting		Delton Sportsmen's Club				
April 25-26	April Showers	Chetek	16	\$10	No	Apr 18	Les Karpel
May 3	State Walking Doubles	Beloit	\$40	No		Apr 22	John Secord
May 9	Beloit Encore	Beloit	72	\$20	No	Apr 29	Dan Newkirk
May 9	Eau Claire Early Bird	Eau Claire	64	\$10	Yes	May 2	Paul Wiese
May 17	Butternut Open	Butternut		\$15	No	May 9	Jer Wegner
May 23	Platteville Spring Sgls	Platteville	36	\$16	Yes	May 16	Mark Mauthe
May 30	Wolf River Open	New London	48	\$16	Yes	May 23	Ken Jaeger
June 7	Eau Claire Open	Eau Claire	64	\$20	Yes	May 30	Paul Wiese
June 6-7	Eagle River Open	Eagle River	32	\$18	Yes	May 30	Cliff Erickson
June 13-14	Spring Fling	Beloit	72	\$20	No	June 3	Dan Newkirk
June 13	Phil Wahl Open	Holman	28	\$20	No	June 6	Colleen Brophy
June 20	Sylvia & Dan David	Marshfield		\$20	Yes	June 13	Mel Cook
June 20	Muskego Open	Muskego	48	\$20	Yes	June 13	Tom Steinke
June 27-28	Ken Kosky Memorial	Mosinee	48	\$20	No	June 20	Kent Frailing
June 27-28	Ken Lovaas Memorial	Beloit	72	\$20	No	June 17	Dan Newkirk
July 4	Kickapoo Valley Open	Gays Mills	36	\$20	No	June 27	Russ Brockway
July 11	Arkdale Open	Arkdale	32	\$18	Yes	July 4	Ray Groskinsky
July 13-25	World Tournament	Monroe, LA				May 15	
July 18-19	Stevens Point Open	Stevens Point	72	\$20	Yes	July 11	Fred Lane
July 25	Pioneer Days	Butternut	28	\$15	No	July 18	Jer Wegner
July 31	Wisconsin State Singles Tournament Entry Deadline						
Aug 1-2	Mosinee Open	Mosinee	48	\$20	No	July 25	Kent Frailing
Aug 8	Lox Classic	Combined Locks		\$18	No	Aug 1	Rosemary
Kamps							
Aug 8-9	Summer Shindig	Rozellville		\$15		Aug 1	Mel Cook
Aug 15	Fond du Lac Open	Fond du Lac	32	\$20	Yes	Aug 8	John Meyer
Aug 22-23	Warm-up	Beloit	72	\$20	No	Aug 12	Dan Newkirk
Aug 29	Goldendale Open	Germantown	36	\$15	Yes	Aug 24	Terry Sternberg
Sept 5-6	State Singles Tourn	Beloit		\$25	Yes	July 31	John Secord
Sept 12-13	Wet n Wild	Centuria		\$15	No	Sept 2	Toni Sloper
Sept 19	Arkdale Doubles	Arkdale	32	\$22	No	Sept 12	James Wicklander
Sept 26	Earl Paulson Classic	Beloit	54	\$20	No	Sept 16	Dan Newkirk
Sept 27	Don Goldsmith Dbls	Beloit		\$22	No	Sept 16	Dan Newkirk
Oct 3	Junction City Singles	Junction City	24	\$20	Yes	Sept 26	James Wicklander
Oct 3-4	Oct Fall Singles	Beloit	72	\$20	No	Sept 23	Dan Newkirk
Oct 10	Summit Ridge Fall Singles	Wonewoc	18	\$11	No	Oct 3	Dave Volz
Oct 17	WHPA Fall Meeting		Delton Sportsmen's Club				
Oct 24-25	Deansville Singles	Deansville	40	\$20	No	Oct 17	Gary Volz
Nov 7-8	Doubles at the Barrell	Deansville	32			Oct 31	Gary Volz
Nov 14-15	Autumn Harvest	Beloit	72	\$20	No	Nov 4	Dan Newkirk
Dec 5-6	Deansville Open	Deansville	40	\$20	No	Nov 28	Gary Volz
Dec 12-13	Snowflake	Beloit	72	\$20	No	Dec 2	Dan Newkirk

Jr Class Yes or No (Yes = They will have their own class if enough entries. No = They will be in mixed classes)

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What's New?

By, Jane Smith

The Covid-19 is certainly causing havoc in our world. We just need to remember to be safe, practice social distancing, wash our hands, sanitize, disinfect – perhaps the most important: check on our neighbors, relatives, friends, family. Enough said.

We would like to welcome 5 new WHPA members since our last issue. Hopefully they have received their NHPA New Member welcome package. They are also receiving a complimentary issue of our WHPA Newsletter. We have one Adult- Gary Glover; and 4 Junior pitchers- Emme and Sarah Henningfield, Adin Weller and Ryan Fugate.

Now is also a special time to send extra prayers and positive vibes / thoughts to our WHPA members, their families, and friends who are experiencing challenging issues. It does not matter whether the issues are health, mental, physical, social, financial or loss related. One can never have too many prayers or friends. Our

Horseshoe Family is one of the BEST!!!

I am sharing a pic of the quilt I had made with the backs of T-Shirts. On the back side of the quilt are most of the NHPA patches from the past nearly 40 years pitching! I thought a nice way to have all in one place for display instead of in a drawer— just an idea.



Sending positive vibes for a sooner rather than later announcement, we can get out and about. Hoping we will continue to practice common sense in our world.



WELCOME SPRING!!! I think we all needed a little warmth and sunshine to revitalize us. Spring brings with it the chance to get out there and pitch some shoes. I can't wait to see you all. Please try to attend one tournament this spring/summer that you have never attended before. This year I am planning on going to Combined Locks on August 8th for the first time, and I am really looking forward to making some new family members.

As I write this we are knee deep in the Covid-19 scare. Take care of yourselves friends, and look out for each other. Have a seasoned pitcher in your

league? Make sure they are safe and that they have what they need. This will all be over soon enough, but until then, wash your hands, try not to touch your face, and pray for us all. I think those three things will get us through this scare.

The cancellation of events at Telfer Park has left us all saddened of course, but I am also grateful. I am grateful that we are doing what we can to keep our members safe.

I am including pictures of myself and my grandson Clayton (9). He was signed up to pitch in Beloit in April for his first sanctioned tournament. He wore his new shirt to school and people were asking questions. Want to promote the sport we love? Wear your shirt anywhere, the grocery store, the movie theater, wherever. People will ask you about it, and maybe, just maybe, a new member or two will emerge and join our family. Even though he can't pitch in the tournament based on the self-isolation decision, he will still proudly wear his shirt, as will I.

It was announced on March 15, 2020 that the 2022 World Horseshoe Tournament will be held in Lansing Michigan. While we are all saddened that Stevens Point did not get this bid, we should be incredibly thankful to Fred Lane for all the work he did in trying to get the tournament here. His dedication was unwavering and he spent a lot of his time working to get that bid. Fred was in Missouri when it was announced that Lansing got the bid giving an in-person proposal for the national committee. He was saddened by their decision, as we all are, but he gave it 100% and we are all thankful.

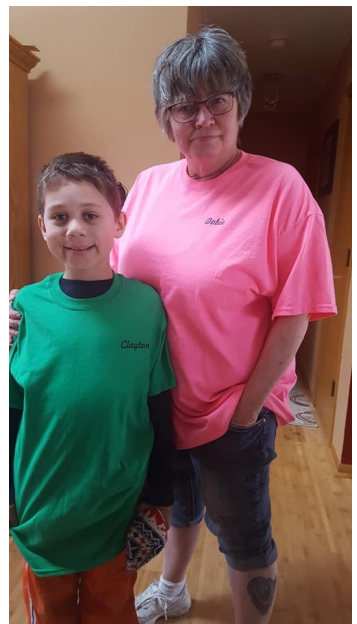
Please remember the State Meeting has been cancelled. At this time it has not been rescheduled, but I, or Dave Volz, will keep you all posted.

I look forward to seeing you all when this is over. Until then, HAPPY SPRING !!!!

Pitcher of the Year

By, Dave Volz

The pitcher of the year standings are on the website. Go to Awards on the top of the home page, then click on Current Standings to see the full standings for each division. It will be updated as the tournament results come in. The current leaders are Division A Penny Steinke, John Meyer, Bob Klingaman and Glenn Bogenschneider. Division B Jill Peterson, Dan Newkirk, Al Holloway, Kent Frailing and George Dorn. Class C Richard Conrad, Kevin Brekke, Josh Gibson, John Secord and Edwin Pulsfus. The contest runs through the end of July.



A friend Missed: Joe Smith, Gloria's husband of 71 years, passed away Feb 17 in Mission TX. He had several health issues after returning to TX from WI. It was a trying time for Gloria. Her son and daughters were with her when Joe was hospitalized; placed with Hospice and passed. Together they had four children resulting in 6 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren. Joe enlisted in the service as a mechanic, after which he became a railroad telegrapher and mediator. He retired in 1988, becoming Winter Snowbirds. Our prayers and condolences to Gloria and her family.

Your Horseshoe Average

By, Dave Volz

Common questions and comments about horseshoe averages: How are averages calculated? Why do they only use your top 3 tournaments? In bowling they average all of your games for your average. Your year end average report doesn't represent the entire seasons pitching. My average wouldn't be that high if they averaged all of my tournaments.

This is the NHPA rule that the WHPA and all other Charters are required to follow. All Natstats average ringer percentages shall be based on the three (3) highest NHPA sanctioned events pitched in the preceding twelve (12) months, or among the last ten (10) sanctioned events pitched during the same period, whichever occurs first. The Natstats average ringer percentage is calculated by dividing the total number of shoes by the total number of ringers pitched for those three (3) events. If a Sanctioned League ringer average is one of the three (3) highest NHPA sanctioned events, that Sanctioned League average shall be converted to an average that is based on four hundred (400) shoes.

As far as the bowling comparison, we all know the scoring differences, bonus points for spares and multiple strikes to come up with a game score versus ringers and close points to come up with a game score. The main difference is bowling averages are based on points not strikes where horseshoe averages are based on ringers not points. With that being said, they both do come up

with a game average. The main difference is that in bowling your average is a league average in one establishment based on the all of the games in that season. If you bowl in more than one league, you use your highest league average to enter a tournament. In horseshoes your average is from multiple tournaments at different locations, some indoors, some outdoors, some on clay, some on sand, possibly windy, rainy, hot weather or maybe cold. Each of those tournaments are separate and your average is based on all of the games in each of those tournaments. To enter a tournament they use your best 3 for your entry average. There are also leagues in horseshoes and a league average can be used for one of your top 3 to determine your tournament average.

I'm not saying that I totally agree with the Natstats average being the best 3 of your last 10 tournaments or one year, it is an NHPA rule that has had much discussion over the past several years. But, unless there is a proposal to change it and it is passed by the delegates, this is the rule that we must abide by.

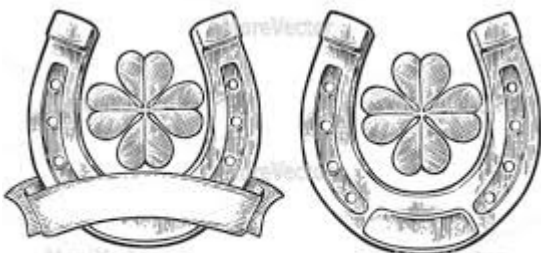
The year end average report that is published in the first issue of the WHPA newsletter is based on how WHPA members finished the prior pitching season. It shows the top 20 pitchers year end averages, who pitched in the most tournaments over the past year and the year end averages of all pitchers in 6 different Pitching Divisions. This report is from the first Natstats report of the new year. If you would like to view your past 12 month pitching record or someone else's, it is available on the NHPA website.

2022 World Tournament Bid Results

By, Kevin Brekke

It is with a heavy heart that I announce that Lansing, Michigan was awarded the 2022 NHPA World Tournament. The dates will be July 18 – 30. Being involved with the 2014 bid and the 2022 bid, both of them turned down, this one hurt the most as Stevens Point out shined all the other bids by far. Tom Coleman, the

convention bureau rep along with Fred Lane could not have done more. Tom is interested to present to the members at the next meeting what was done to try and get the bid for Wisconsin. Tom is also interested in pitching with the Stevens Point Horseshoe Club. Fred does have that affect on people, as many of you know. Michigan might have won the bid, but Wisconsin has Fred Lane, now Tom Coleman. Enough said!



Regional Directors Report

By: Dave Volz

With the COVID-19 pandemic affecting everyone's daily lives in so many ways, it also affects our horseshoe world as well. There have been a number of events that have been cancelled or postponed. Below is a list of events on our tournament schedule that have made changes. The NHPA has announced that they have extended the entry deadline for entries to the 2020 World Tournament to now be June 1, 2020. As well as dropping the number of qualifying events from four to two events. At the present time, there is no plan to cancel the tournament. If it becomes necessary for the city of Monroe to cancel the tournament, the NHPA will "refund in full" the entry fees paid. The NHPA has also announced that the 2022 World Tournament will be held in Lansing, Michigan on July 18-30, 2022. With the WHPA spring meeting being postponed and possibly cancelled, I will be mailing out the 2020 tournament certificates and patches to the tournament directors that I most likely won't be seeing before their scheduled events. Be safe out there and protect yourself from the unknown. Hopefully before long we can be back to doing what we love to do!

Red Ferguson Classic	April 4-5	Cancelled
WHPA Spring Meeting	April 18	Cancelled
April Showers	April 25-26	Cancelled
Telfer Park Set up	April 25	Cancelled
Jim Haupt Mem. Team	May 2	Cancelled
State Walking Doubles	May 3	Cancelled
Team World	May 15-17	Cancelled
Telfer Park crt removal	May 18	Cancelled
Platteville Spring Singles	May 23	Cancelled

For up to date Cancellations and information go to the Whpa website. www.whpahorseshoes.com



Klash with Kerry Dave Volz

<u>Class A</u>			
Penny Steinke	7	0	77.86
John Meyer	6	1	69.64
Mike Cone	5	2	53.93
<u>Class B</u>			
Kerry Morris	5	2	47.86
Cliff Shave	5	2	47.5
Bob Klingaman	5	2	45.7
<u>Class C</u>			
Al Holloway	4.5	1.5	38.4
Richard Conrad	3.5	2.5	35.2
Jarrold Bisch	3	2	41.2
<u>Class D</u>			
Nancy Murleau	5	2	23.21
Edwin Pulsfus	5	2	22.5
Bj Marty	5	2	22.14



Valentine's Day Photos

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Featured Author

Penny Steinke

By, Edie McKinney

Edie interviewed Penny in February regarding her writing, publishing and sharing her books and introducing her new book—

Where is Horseshoe Hailey?

E- When did you first realize you wanted to be a writer?

P- Years ago, I wanted to share my favorite sport with my students. I searched around and found out that there were no children's books about horseshoes. This is where my story begins. Teaching early childhood, I thought best to create an alphabet book that included facts about horseshoes. Things have changed since I published my first book, *The ABC's of Horseshoes*. When I got the bug to create more books, I found an easier and free way to publish my books.

E- How long does it take you to write a book?

P- That's hard to answer since being an author is a hobby at this point, so my full-time work is teaching children. Whenever I have an idea I try and jot it down. When I get time to write and craft, I take my ideas and begin by writing. I like to type my words on the computer and then print the pages. Next, I craft the pictures using a variety of art media like photographs, stamps, clip art, etc. Lastly, I scan the pages and save them as a PDF file.

E- How do you get books published?

P- Amazon has a wonderful, free, print-on-demand program to publish books. It took some trial and error, but I figured it out. Having the site be print-on-demand is perfect. When I published my first book, I had to pay a lot of money for others to put together the files to be able to print and then I also had to buy a bunch of copies up front. Now, using Amazon, I can just buy copies of my books when I need some and others can also find them to purchase on Amazon.

E- Where do you get your ideas for your books?

P- I wanted to create books that would do two things. One thing was to be able to teach my students some kindergarten concepts whether it be literacy, math, or science. The second goal was to help promote the sport of horseshoes. It will hopefully get the word out there about horseshoes and help promote the organized sport. Publishing books gives me the opportunity to tell children more about horseshoes and answer their questions. Others can share what their experiences are with horse-

shoes.

E- When did you write your first book?

P- 2007

E- What are your other hobbies?

P- I like to create art. I like to paint and make things. I like to read books. My favorite books are mysteries and true crime. I enjoy movies and watching sports, especially the Packers, Brewers and Bucks.

E- How many books have you written?

P- Eight. *The ABC's of Horseshoes*, *Horseshoe Counting Book*, *Horseshoe Pattern Book*, *Horseshoe Shape Book*, *The ABC's of Horseshoes 2nd Edition*, *Where Did My Teacher Go?*, *When You Have to Say Goodbye...*, and *Where is Horseshoe Hailey?*

E- Which is your favorite?

P- It's hard to pick my favorite because I am happy with all of them. Of course, my horseshoe books are my favorite. I am really happy with how *The ABC's of Horseshoes 2nd Edition* turned out. I was able to use parts of what I created years ago and then add to it and make it even better.

I had a liver transplant in 2016 and I wrote a book for my students to try to explain about why I was gone and what I was going through. I am glad that I was able to share my experiences through this book, *Where Did My Teacher Go?*

Losing my mom in 2018 evoked many feelings. One way I dealt with my grief was to write a book about it. I created *When You Have to Say Good-bye...* It was hard to write, but therapeutic. I think my mom would be proud of it.

My latest book, *Where is Horseshoe Hailey?* is another horseshoe book in my math series, featuring my character Horseshoe Hailey. It teaches about ordinal numbers, counting and directionality. This is a fun concept for kids to learn about. In the book, kids have to describe where they see Horseshoe Hailey in relation to different shapes.

E- Do you have any adult books?

P- My goal is to write an adult book one day. When I published my first book, people asked me, "When are you going to write a book about how to throw horseshoes?" While I don't know if this will be the exact topic, I would like to write an adult book about my experiences especially my evolving horseshoe game.

Penny's website:

<https://sites.google.com/view/penny-steinke/>

National Horseshoe Pitchers Association
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 2019 National Top Ten Winners!
 Penny Steinke

- Jedidiah Sowatzke**
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 #9 - 40.0 High Ringer Game Cadet
 #4 - 48.1 High Point Average Jr/Cadet 40 Shoes
 #4 - 71.0 High Point Game Jr/Cadet 40 Shoes
 #3 - 22.9 High Game Over Average Jr/Cadet 40 Shoes

- Sarah Chaffee**
 #1 - 65.58 High Ringer Jr. Girl
 #1 - 92.0 High Ringer Game Jr. Girl
 #4 - 26.42 High Ringer Game Over Average Jr. Girl

- Penny Steinke**
 #4 - 63.55 High Ringer Women
 #6 - 78.0 High Ringer Game Women

- Zarek Nawrot**
 #4 - 53.3 High Ringer Game Cadet
 #2 - 38.13 High Ringer Game Over Average Cadet

- Tammy Newkirk**
 #4 - 80.0 High Game Women

- Aleena Lepak**
 #10 - 76.0 High Ringer Game Women

- Lillyan Kildahl**
 #9 - 15.33 High Ringer Game Over Average Cadet
 #9 - 21.67 High Point Game Over Average Jr/Cadet
 50 Shoes

- Trevor Forst**
 #10 - 14.67 High Ringer Game Over Average Cadet

- Cassi Williams**
 #10 - 30.4 High Ringer Game Over Average Women

Deansville Memorial
 Gary Volz

Class A/B

G Bogenschneider	7	0	58.57
Bob Klingaman	4.5	2.5	43.57
Bun Varley	4	3	47.5

Class C

Al Holloway	7	0	41.07
Edwin Pulsfus	4.5	2.5	24.64
Jill Peterson	4	3	36.07

Class D

Richard Conrad	6	1	25.36
Greg Bergles	4	3	21.07
Jim Menzel	4	3	20.36

Bring a Junior
 Dan Newkirk

Class A

1. Leonard Razim	4	1	30.5
Landon Razim			
2. Mike Cone	4	1	26
Tory Weller			
3. Dan Newkirk	3	2	24
Chevy Dunzway			
4. Rick Weller	3	2	21
Adin Weller			
5. Tammy Newkirk	1	4	21.5
Sarah Henningfield			
6. Dave Quaid	0	5	11
Emma Henningfield			



Deansville Photos

- Upper Right : Class A
 Lower Right ; Class B
 Upper Left : Class C
 Lower Left : Class D

Bring A Junior Photo
 Below / Center



Valentine Results / Photos

Dan Newkirk

Class A

Dennis Reed	6	0	66.83
Penny Steinke	5	1	67.92
John Meyer	4	2	64.68

Class B

Leonard Razim	4	1	52
Robert Bowser	4	1	46
Rowen Swick	3	2	49

Class C

Bob Klingaman	4	1	50
Ken Posner	4	1	43.5
Linda Roeber	3	2	49.5

Class D

George Dorn	6	1	42.5
Linda Hycar	4	2	35.83
Dobie Gutweiler	2	4	33.75

Class E

Roger Anderson	5	0	38
Dan Newkirk	4	1	33
Mary Thompson	2.4	2.5	32

Class F

Jack Zane	6	1	36.19
Jeff Gustafson	5	2	23.33
Leo Linhart	4	1	22

Class H

Rick Swan	5	0	25.5
Mike Gautheir	3	2	24.5
D Palmershiem	3	2	16

Class I

Paul Wiese	5	1	20.83
Dave Carpenter	5	1	16.67
Brenden Kane	3.5	3.5	20.42

Class J

Kevin Aarstad	4	0	18.13
Wayne Goers	3	1	6.88
Gavin Wiese	2	2	3.75

