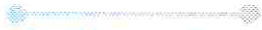


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Whose up for Doubles?

The WHPA has adopted such a finely tuned format for the State Doubles tournament that no team has been able to repeat as champions. How long will that last?

Current champions Gert and Ron Wilcziek may repeat this year. What's to stop them except tradition. Look over the championship lineup for the past eight years:

- 2004 The Wilzieks, Ron and Gert
- 03 Randy Rein and Jim Larson
- 02 Wayne Totten and Bun Carley
- 01 Lorraine Sternberg/ John Crook
- 00 Lorraine Sternberg/ Pam Aiken
- 99 Randy Rein and Gus Schram
- 98 Ralph Maylahn/ Tony Scrima
- 97 John Udelhofen/John Crook

Some of the champs won't be back. Others may be in different combinations.

Championship class team contestants are ordinarily made up of a bona-fide class A pitcher with a partner owning close to a sixty percent average. As the partner improves his percentage, his chances of making the team disappear. The rule is: a pitcher of 60% or more must be paired with a partner of less than 60%. Rule 2 is that your name appears on the year end list of the year prior to the event. Around this time of year the 59% pitchers are under-

standably in high demand.

On the list published this time there will be some top pitchers, Gert Wilcziek at 81% leads the pack. Clayton Gage sports 70% but so does ex champ, Wayne Totten. Randy Rein a two time champ is always tough with 65%.

The top supporting lady could be Edie McKinney, 59 or Junior pitcher, Nolan Johnson also 59. Ex Champ, Ralph Maylahn could fill a supporting role at 58%. Dan Bloom, back in form, will be sought after with his 57%. Exactly how the championship class works out will be anybody's guess.

Come one, come all, you are cordially invited to attend the ninth occasion of the WHPA State Walking doubles contest to be conducted in the arena of Telfer Park, Beloit, WI on 24th day in the month of April.

R.S.V.P. John Secord

The rest of us have only the deadline to worry about. Partners are anybody, friend or teammate. Walking Doubles means using your own shoes. It's probably the only time in an entire year that one can play doubles pitching your own shoes. No excuses this time. Grab a partner and have some fun.

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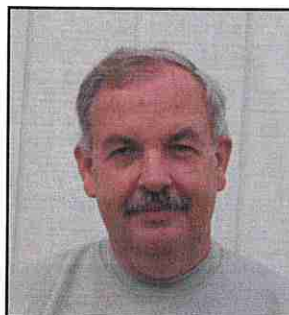
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Coming Events

Jan. 22-23	Mid-Winter @ Beloit	\$18
Earl Paulson 7105 S Cty Hwy H, Beloit, WI 53511 608-879-2304 28-05-002 D/L 1-9		
Jan. 29-30	Deansville Open	\$18
Rudy VanFleet 202B Parkview, Columbus, WI 53925 920-623-4924 28-05-003 D/L 1-17		
Feb. 12-13	Bun & Ed's Singles - Arena	\$18
Bun Carley 22545 Stibbe Ln Richland Center, WI 53581 608-647-6679 Ed Wheeler W9070 Cty. Hwy. K, Lodi, WI 53555 608-592-4424 28-05-017 D/L 1-31		
Feb. 26-27	Valentine @ Beloit	\$18
Earl Paulson 7105 S Cty Hwy H, Beloit, WI 53511 608-879-2304 28-05-004 D/L 2-12		
Mar. 5	Something To Do @ Arena	\$18
Ed Wheeler W9070 Cty. Hwy. K, Lodi, WI 53555 608-592-4424 28-05-008 D/L 2-20		
Mar. 12-13	Clash With Kerry @ Deansville	\$18
Rudy VanFleet 202B Parkview, Columbus, WI 53925 920-423-4924 28-05-005 D/L 2-28		
Mar. 19	Spring Meeting	
Mar. 20	" The River Valley Rumble " @ Arena	
4 Person Team, 8 team Limit, (180 % cap) \$60/team Ron Berg 5375 Blue Ridge Rd. Barneveld, WI 53507 608-924-5574 28-05-018 D/L-- 3-6		
Apr 2 - 3	Spring Fling @ Beloit	\$18
Earl Paulson 7105 S Cty Hwy H, Beloit, WI 53511 608-879-2304 28-05-006 D/L 3-19		
Apr. 9-10	Carley's Singles @ Arena	\$18
Bun Carley 22545 Stibbe Ln Richland Center, WI 53581 608-647-6679 28-05-007 D/L 3-27		
Apr. 23	Club Team @ Beloit	Team \$ 84
Jim Haupt 5075 N Elkhart, Milwaukee, WI 53217 414-964-2735 28-05-010 D/L 3-9		
Apr. 24	State Doubles @ Beloit	\$20
(must have a state average in 2004 to enter) John Secord W6868 Brown Rd. Fond du Lac, WI 54937 920-922-0080 28-05-011 D/L 3-31		
Apr. 30 May 1	Encore @ Beloit	\$20
Earl Paulson 7105 S Cty Hwy H, Beloit, WI 53511 608-879-2304 28-05-012 D/L 4-16		
May 13-14-15	Team World - Beloit	\$200
Earl Paulson 7105 S Cty Hwy H, Beloit, WI 53511 608-879-2304 28-05-013 D/L 4-16		

THIS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS IS PREPARED BY NHPA REGIONAL DIRECTOR KEN JAEGER. ANY ERRORS, OR ADDITIONS, PLEASE CONTACT KEN JAEGER.

KEY: Bold print date indicates WHPA approved event. Note: Some WHPA approved events are unsanctioned.



The President's Column

The end of the year is near and Christmas will be here soon. Having a hard time finding a gift for those hard-to-buy-for folks? Here's a couple of ideas: a newsletter subscription, or a 2005 membership card. Both of these gifts will last all year long. Maybe with a pre-paid membership, a son, daughter, father, mother or friend would be willing to try playing a WHPA tournament this coming year, since the "expensive" membership has been paid.

Think about it. Maybe somebody you know could use this gift.

It's time to think about the indoor tournaments. There's a lot of them around, so sign up now, ride with a friend, or come on out and make some new ones. Have a nice holiday, and we'll see a lot of you on the courts, or maybe at the Christmas party in Beloit, which will be on the first Saturday after New Year's.

Happy holidays and good pitching,
Tom

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End of Indoor Schedule until Fall of 2005

See complete **outdoor** schedule in March/April edition of the Wisconsin Horseshoe Newsletter. **Deadline to be included on that schedule is February 15, 2005.**

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How it works: The teams are divided into higher and lower percentage. The highs will locate on the north or scoreboard end. The lows actually pitch first to start the game. The highs then pitch their shoes. Now it is time to walk or switch ends. A chosen person will carry the clipboard throughout the game. At the same time the score will be kept on the device at the north end of the court by whoever is there. Depending upon the result of the last pitch one of the lows will again pitch back followed by the highs of course. In this way the lows start the game but the highs finish it. Ordinarily the game is thirty shoes per pitcher. Like everything in life, it's easier after you do it a couple of times. Good luck.

The State Doubles follows the Club Team by a day and many will be in Beloit for that occasion.

Might just as well make a weekend of it and enter the doubles too.

Doubles have proven to be the fun game of horseshoes since "leaners" went of favor. It is most often the game of choice throughout the state for more than one reason. The one reason is that twice as many pitchers are accommodated. Somewhat of a picnic atmosphere does occur while doing doubles and it is always great fun to win with a partner. So in your own best interests. Get a partner. Make someone happy and ask them to play the WHPA doubles with you.

Naturally at this time you are mentally forming your team lineup for the Club Team. Take it a step further and include the doubles. Beloit invites you, The WHPA invites you. Get on board and reward yourself.

Curt Day

Curt Day, former world champ, passed away Dec 4th. Curt was 87 years old. Was from Frankfort, IN, 18 times Indiana State Champ and also 3 World Championship titles. Curt pitched the 3\4 Reverse Right Handed.

Had the opportunity to shake his hand once and speak with him at a couple of world tournaments as he came to see old friends.



Did you see the new Alan Francis horseshoe? It's available at the Beloit Horseshoe Club (608) 365-9901 or at Ken Kosky Horseshoes.

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WI NATSTAT AVERAGES FOR END OF 2004

WOMEN

Gert	Wilcziek	81.55	11
Deborah	Halvorson	67.25	15
Penny	Steinke	66.53	9
Pam	Aiken	59.94	3
Edie	McKinney	59.45	12
Lorraine	Sternberg	57.73	8
Suzanne	Helene	54.00	6
Jane	Smith	52.97	11
Shari	Davison	48.49	2
Kathy	Hanson	45.26	3
Elaine	Troullier	43.46	9
Linda	Johnson	43.18	6
Gloria	Smith	40.56	9
Sonia	Cook	40.45	6
Jane	Hartman	39.85	6
Ida	Hostrup	39.05	7
Chris	Humphrey	37.47	8
Teresa	Donar	36.86	6
Sharon	Derr	36.35	3
Jan	Thompson	35.37	1
Debbie	Marshall	34.18	5
Norma	Thompson	33.87	1
Cathy	Coyle	33.73	2
Marie	Donar	33.24	3
Sylvia	David	32.61	5
Dianne	Leopold	32.45	2
Elly	McCarn	32.30	7
Karen	Keelin	31.80	2
Caryl	Sass	31.29	1
Carol	Rahfaldt	30.49	3
Denise	Williamson	29.71	1
Sue	Lange	29.04	6
Karen	Henkel	28.88	2
Kathy	Koelsch	28.88	2
Kim	Grossen	27.50	1
Nicole	Riehle	27.15	3
Hope	Berg	26.57	3
Vicki	Vyhanek	26.36	4
Cindy	Hyatt	24.81	4
Kathy	Steffen	24.61	3
Renee	Simonz	22.87	1
Cecelia	Trossen	21.44	5
B.J.	Johnson	20.64	2
Dolores	Bultman	20.00	7
Kim	Felton	19.62	2
Peg	Welda	19.03	5

Deb	Trossen	18.86	2
Lorrie	Stokes	17.31	1
Julie	Potter	16.78	1
Vera	Johnson	16.40	3
Rose	Gordon	15.53	2
Stephanie	Morris	13.70	5
Beth	Strohman	13.10	5
Chick	Carlson	12.56	1
Jenny	York	11.78	4
Sherian	Henry	11.50	1
Debbie	Smith	11.37	1
Jenny	Mctavish	11.07	1
Cindy	Archibald	7.50	1
Jamii	Woodruff	7.40	1
Rondi	Mengelt	6.79	1
Ellyssa	Coyle	6.55	1
Karen	Rampalski	5.00	1
Lynn	Halbur	4.62	2
Louise	Minton	2.64	1
Barbara	Peters	2.34	2

JUNIOR GIRLS

Tava	Cook	53.09	7
Tina	Riehle	44.85	6
Kiri	Cook	33.54	7
Aleena	Cook	23.22	6
Cola	Hickethier	22.36	3
Lisa	Mctavish	10.00	1
Johanna	Alling	8.66	1
Kate	Koconis	4.87	1
Julia	Larsen	3.83	2
Leshia	Zoeller	3.82	2
Amanda	Kuske	3.54	2
Jena	Alling	3.20	2
Tasha	Swisher	2.86	1
Julie	Paulson	2.42	3
Naomi	Williamson	2.29	2
Jenelle	Larsen	2.15	2
Brittany	Mercudo	0.66	1

JUNIOR BOYS

Nolan	Johnson	59.43	8
Ryan	Hyatt	54.78	5
Keith	White	41.42	1
Nathan	Heinritz	37.72	4
Brian	Larsen	26.84	1
Ben	Heinritz	25.17	4
Tim	Lehner	21.15	2
Jimmy	Paulson	20.93	10
James	Bultman	18.66	1
Justin	Wilke	14.01	3
Tristen	Tonstad	11.33	1
Daniel	Kangas	11.20	1
Kyle	Heinritz	10.40	1
Dan	Craft	10.04	6
Ben	Holznapel	10.00	1
Beau	Davison	8.88	3
Seth	Mckenzie	7.87	1
Jake	Davison	6.48	3
Rush	Hickethier	6.25	3
Andrew	Johnson	5.39	1
Mike	Bultman	3.33	1
Jason	Salmon	2.83	2
Anthony	Welda	2.58	1
Cash	Hickethier	2.50	3
Eric	Kuske	2.46	2
Joe	Larsen	1.96	2
Justin	Forster	1.33	1

ELDER MEN

Wayne	Totten	70.72	14
Clayton	Gage	70.43	11
Otis	Wessley	63.83	7
Norm	Mauthe	61.72	11
Jack	Algiers	60.48	5
Ralph	Maylahn	58.21	6
Paul	Wilson	57.30	17
Ron	Wilcziek	54.70	12
Harold	Laws	51.53	16
Everett	Stewart	50.45	7
Don	Burmeister	50.38	28
Roger	Juedes	50.00	5
Norb	Fuhrman	48.58	7
Mer	Sorensen	47.80	7
Cal	Pitel	45.61	4

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Elder Men *continued from pg 5*

Bill	Matey	44.79	7	Don	Jacobson	21.70	3	John	Carlin	43.76	7
Don	Hostrup	44.64	9	Allan	Loose	20.39	1	Jerry	Niemuth	42.75	7
Leroy	Meyer	44.49	13	Al	Johnson	19.48	2	Jerry	Schroeder	42.20	9
Ray	Lopez	44.24	13	Jerry	Palmer	18.40	4	Glen	Foust	42.06	3
Bud	Hammer	43.35	11	Greg	Bergles	18.00	1	John	Gregorich	41.89	11
Dan	Illigan	41.60	1	Roy	Schlagenhaft	13.15	2	Chet	Hermansen	41.77	11
Paul	Tilleson	41.55	4	John	Leskovar	13.06	3	Tom	Costa Sr	41.68	14
Rudy	Van Fleet	41.42	6	Chuck	Herman	12.40	1	Jim	Heim	41.64	5
Bernie	Stelter	40.53	2	Jeffrey	Jakel	3.84	4	Ken	Amble	41.51	6
Norm	Gage	40.44	3	George	Kuffer	2.61	3	Gene	Mason	41.31	5
Cliff	Fredrickson	40.20	2					Dick	Hansen	41.02	11
John	Mitchell	39.82	2					John	Meyer	40.74	4
Nelson	Richason	39.59	4					Galen	Kozel	39.55	5
Jerry	Kamps	39.34	5					Les	Karpiel	39.13	5
Roger	Heinritz	38.80	8					Doug	Bakkum	38.83	6
Milt	Larsen	38.14	13					Steve	Kulow	38.81	7
Len	Mauthe	38.00	10					Dave	Volz	38.57	12
Emil	Blair	37.30	4					Steve	Mielke	38.07	7
Earl	Paulson	37.25	15					Don	Goldsmith	38.02	11
Del	Pettis	37.02	3					Bernard	Cockcroft	37.96	12
Merrill	Semingson	36.61	6					LeRoy	Wipperfurth	37.90	5
John	Dolezel	36.25	1					Joe	Felton	37.73	2
Kenneth	Lovaas	36.02	7					Jason	Goldsmith	37.72	5
Dan	David	35.83	11					Dick	Hanold	37.56	6
Willis	David	35.75	7					David	Paul	37.26	5
Pat	Smith	35.11	2					Ron	Balsiger	37.25	9
Rueben	Eckardt	34.61	6					Jerry	Oleskow	37.10	3
Herman	Adler	34.28	3					Jim	Tollefson	37.05	9
Dick	Muhlenbeck	33.72	2					Norm	Beckius	37.00	19
Ozz	Jacobson	33.58	2					Ed	Mell	36.85	10
Ron	Lingard	33.03	13					Donald	Wagner	36.80	1
Ed	Warner	33.01	1					Ralph	Marthaler	36.05	7
Oscar	Donar	32.50	2					William	Spahn	36.03	4
Wes	Podvin	31.97	13					Rowen	Swick	35.94	16
Babe	Rieber	31.34	3					Robin	Mahn	35.59	7
Vern	Wurzel	31.01	1					Harvey	Bilz	35.29	3
Jim	Jakel	29.93	7					Dave	Balsiger	34.92	5
Dave	Miller	29.58	3					Dave	Forseth	34.62	9
Raymond	Billen	28.55	3					Leo	Richter	34.60	6
John	Brugger	28.49	2					Al	Rude	34.53	6
Dale	Griffith	28.18	2					Jim	Haupt	34.16	28
Bob	Lindberg	27.82	5					Cliff	Troullier	33.88	8
Harold	Zdroik	27.77	3					Ed	Wheeler	33.88	14
Harry	McCartney	26.86	2					Dave	Klipstein	33.87	5
Frank	Dunn	25.83	1					Bruce	McLinn	33.71	15
Bob	Novinski	24.58	1					Jim	Ganther	33.33	6
Cliff	Van Natta	24.50	1					Dave	Wietrzak	33.33	4
Rob	Rehm	23.83	1					Lloyd	Johnson	33.14	7
Hank	Zeisse	23.70	3					Roger	Beffa	33.01	2
Gordy	LaChance	23.36	3					Pete	Kumlien	32.86	11
Carl	Gilbertson	22.91	1					John	Secord	32.79	3

MEN

Mark	Mauthe	70.10	18
Randy	Rein	65.62	11
Mark	Stevens	58.44	10
Dan	Bloom	57.61	11
Roger	Comero	57.36	5
Don	Kangas	56.42	5
Dave	Schorbahn	56.02	13
Ken	Jaeger Sr	54.83	10
Tom	Endler	53.66	19
Kent	Anderson	53.40	2
Ken	Heinritz	53.25	9
Jim	Larson	52.81	5
John	Crook	52.75	9
Mitch	Vyhanek	52.07	5
Steve	Wiegert	51.91	9
Brian	Repinski	50.80	1
Arnie	Walton	50.37	8
John	Molling	49.64	1
Jeff	Mauthe	49.41	5
Bun	Carley	48.97	17
Dale	Bauer	48.46	1
Ken	Jaeger Jr	48.33	1
Kerry	Morris	47.56	19
Larry	Barber	47.34	4
Tom	Hansen	47.29	3
Al	Huizenga	47.23	11
Jeff	Gustafson	46.87	13
Pudge	Dahl	46.47	12
Vince	Jakel	46.36	7
Glenn	Bogenschneider	46.15	4
Buck	Thompson	46.04	1
Ken	Frame	45.82	13
Terry	Sternberg	45.51	9
Harry	Nelson	45.27	11
Gerald	Weikert	45.19	4
Rick	Poppe	44.33	2
Ray	Groskinsky	44.11	12
Julian	Tijerina	43.97	12
Tony	Scrima	43.84	8

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Russ	Heinritz	32.56	4	Ed	Bonebright	25.97	10	Glen	Grorud	21.15	2
Tom	Rosenthal	32.50	1	William	Hagen	25.76	8	Duane	Grossen	20.94	2
Jan	Fisher	32.12	3	Gordy	Potter	25.75	2	Daniel	Nalepinski	20.93	10
Art	Collien	31.97	3	Ray	Mallo	25.68	4	Kurt	Wisnefski	20.83	2
Greg	Hehling	31.91	3	Dwayne	Hein	25.50	1	Tony	Haas	20.72	7
Rich	Brower	31.90	7	Jim	Emery	25.41	3	Al	Holloway	20.66	1
Cliff	Erickson	31.79	3	Ron	Stevens	25.28	2	Duane	Balsiger	20.60	3
Layne	Olson	31.78	3	Greg	Ernst	25.20	1	Gary	Hyatt	20.46	4
Ron	Berg	31.60	10	Dan	Williams	25.20	1	Thad	Engle	20.39	1
John	Mills	31.60	9	Bob	Anderson	25.18	6	Stan	Fredrickson	20.39	1
Dennis	Capener	31.53	2	Mike	Zahn	25.12	6	Jeff	Allen	20.27	5
Bob	Kabella	31.53	5	Carl	Schliem	25.02	4	Dale	Gierach	20.09	3
Fred	Decorah	31.47	3	George	Eckstrom	25.00	4	Rodney	Johnson	20.00	2
David	Hansen	31.26	3	Don	Kampfer	24.94	1	Millard	Harding	19.88	3
Mike	Rousseau	31.15	5	Francis	Schalk	24.61	5	John	Gordon	19.86	7
Mike	Lange	31.14	11	Joe	Zoromskis	24.58	1	Mark	Nord	19.73	5
Keith	Stanke	30.96	6	Bernie	Human	24.55	12	Randy	Naef	19.60	1
Marv	Bennett	30.90	3	Randy	Heinritz	24.44	3	Dan	Schulz	19.37	3
Ken	Kosky	30.16	8	Ken	Schoessow	24.38	3	David	Jagoditsch	19.20	3
John	Bentz	30.10	8	Jeff	Gabriel	24.33	5	Dave	Wilson	19.17	16
Steve	Rick	30.00	1	Roland	Swaim	24.20	3	Don	Wozniak	18.63	6
Vaughn	Watzke	29.55	2	Dan	Meindel	24.18	2	Dick	Henkel	18.53	2
Darcy	Strait	29.50	1	John	Pavent	24.00	1	Rich	Legier	18.33	1
Augie	Potter	29.48	4	Bill	Zirbel	23.97	4	Tom	Flanagan	17.76	2
Ted	Rohde	29.48	12	Bud	Ebbers	23.75	1	Mike	Stanke	17.73	5
Bob	Kallstrom	29.35	6	Chad	Amble	23.66	7	Rod	Ganther	17.14	1
Dennis	Hartman	29.27	5	John	Van Dyk	23.60	1	Ryan	Heidtke	16.96	2
Richard	Baeten	28.92	1	Steve	Halvorson	23.57	5	Devon	Schoening	16.89	1
DeWayne	Hazen	28.76	5	Tom	Steinke	23.56	19	Dale	McGowan	16.87	4
Joel	Ramsdell	28.70	7	Mel	Cook	23.54	5	Bob	Fritz	16.80	1
Gary	Wegner	28.55	3	Roger	Olson	23.48	5	Rob	Struebing	16.80	1
Frank	Espinoza	28.51	2	Jim	Poquette	23.17	3	Marty	Weidner	16.56	2
Dan	Wendt	28.49	1	Guy	Fleming	23.10	4	Jim	Uhlenhake	16.36	7
Jack	Parent	28.29	1	Greg	Highstrom	23.01	3	Joe	Bieser	16.34	2
Gary	Rackow	28.21	3	Larry	Danielson	22.71	5	Steven	Grisius	16.25	1
Scott	Kater	27.85	4	Jason	Maki	22.64	5	Wayne	Franzen	16.23	3
Edward	Hack	27.76	10	Wally	Nelson	22.40	5	Mark	Anderson	16.00	1
Steve	Deegan	27.73	2	Gary	Johnson	22.35	1	Mike	Erdman	16.00	1
Ryan	Anderson	27.68	4	Wayne	Berger	22.27	2	Loyd	Skarda	15.98	3
John	Brophy	27.65	4	Matt	Ramsdell	22.16	7	Travis	Amble	15.37	4
Ardie	Stoltenberg	27.59	2	Joe	Waslowski	22.14	1	Jay	Gronholm	14.52	1
Gary	Volz	27.50	1	Phil	Haas	22.00	11	Paul	Papenfuss	14.23	4
Ivan	Ruzic	27.40	9	Scott	Muhlenbeck	21.94	6	Dan	Bowell	14.04	4
Kevin	Brekke	27.25	10	Stan	Kuehn	21.86	3	Roger	Berger	14.02	3
Bruce	Tatera	27.17	4	Jerry	Graves	21.69	2	Mike	Keagle	13.95	6
Tom	Dudenhoeffer	26.93	5	Dale	Shamberg	21.66	5	Andy	Peroutka	13.66	1
Ken	Wood	26.87	1	Rick	Borgwardt	21.62	4	Dustin	Duerr	13.34	2
Tony	Chapman	26.60	1	John	Brandt	21.59	2	Gary	Hestekin	13.33	1
Bob	Gregorich	26.60	2	Jack	Statema	21.55	6	Bill	Steckbauer	13.25	2
Ken	Davison	26.29	6	Gary	Simac	21.48	3	Joseph	Lipperer	13.21	1
Russ	Burns	26.15	13	George	Moraza	21.33	4	Mike	Kapalin	13.12	2

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Jeff	Michels	12.76	2
Chris	Olson	12.44	1
Bob	Polley	12.43	2
Steve	Hentges	12.40	1
Frank	Hanold	12.37	2
Dave	Semingson	12.20	3
Travis	Keister	12.11	2
Steve	Simonz	12.06	2
Wayne	Wisnefski	12.00	4
Chuck	Reineke	11.61	3
Roger	Sundsmo	11.60	1
Don	Peroutka	11.58	6
Ron	Truman	11.29	5
Perry	Stuart	11.26	2
Jerry	Costello	10.92	4
Don	Stittleberg	10.40	1
Gene	Satterstrom	10.35	1
Curt	Novinski	10.16	4
Nathan	Wendt	9.83	1
Tom	McTavish	9.66	3
Bill	Dahmen	9.60	1
Jay	Ganther	9.58	5
Keith	Stocks	9.58	1
Randy	Benaszkeski	9.17	2
Melvin	Donar	9.11	6
Nick	Frederick	8.97	1
Marv	Laidig	8.91	4
Craig	Barka	8.71	1
Frank	Craig	8.47	4
Bill	Nehls	8.46	1
Eugene	Schulz	8.46	4
Roy	York	8.39	4
Mort	Papenfuss	8.18	5
Lemont	Schulz	7.99	4
Brett	Condon	7.85	1
Bill	Klemm	7.50	2
Chris	Rowan	6.75	1
Jim	Sherman	6.42	3
John	Amorose	6.41	2
Paul	Wilcox	6.38	2
Craig	Tarini	6.15	1
Jon	Bowe	6.13	1
Bob	Allen	5.90	3
Todd	Tworek	5.78	1
Mark	Coyle	5.56	2
John	Olson	5.36	4
Todd	Tiffany	5.32	1
Joel	Levandowski	5.30	1
Jerry	Loose	5.00	1
Dean	Berger	4.88	2
Scott	Parkhurst	4.48	1

Darin	Smith	4.42	1
Brandon	Trossen	4.37	1
Lance	Peters	4.35	2
Jim	Parrish	4.18	1
Dave	Cravillion	3.71	4
Todd	Pinkham	3.55	3
Mike	Novak	3.45	1
Douglas	Johnson	3.16	1
Brian	Minton	2.78	1
Matt	Olson	2.09	1
Nick	Beadell	1.94	1
Robert	Kreutzer	1.51	1
Scott	Johnson	1.45	1

50-shoe Game, Gone?

In Wisconsin the 50-shoe game has become old hat —almost non-existent. Even the last holdout, the state tournament has gone 40. Fifty shoes is at times reserved for some six-man classes mostly because the tournament directors are afraid they may be tarred and feathered if they held some short class to short shoes counts.

A few years back a tournament just was not an event unless pitchers went away with 350 shoes under their belt. Then the World Tournament in an effort to reduce pitching time consumed turned to the forty shoe game. Clubs and other tournament directors were quick to emulate.

If you pitched a fifty shoe game in Wisconsin consider yourself one of the few. Same goes for Illinois, Indiana, Michigan. Ohio pitches mostly point games but if you have a hankering for the games of old, Minnesota, the horseshoe hotbed, continues to pitch predominately fifty shoes per game. They hosted two World Tournaments up there recently. Certainly they know about the shorter game. Maybe they just like fifty.

TIP for Accuracy

If your club is using any sort of a self scoring device that has a shoe counter, this tip may be of some help.

It is a fact that the end of the court that serves for the game start is known as the home court and is further designated by a number of shoes divisible or a multiple of four, 4, 8, 12, 16 etc. You sometimes see a player wig-waging his finger, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10., to figure out which court he should be on. It is common to forget to advance the shoe pointer.

Here is a simple way to avoid some mistakes. Circle all the home court numbers, 4, 8, 12, 16., on the score device or make them red, just so they stand out. In doing so, the device offers a constant reminder of proper court positioning. Less shoe count mistakes will be encountered.

CORRECTION

Dick Hansen sent a note that he was misquoted.

"There was an error in the last issue of the Newsletter that should be corrected. On page 4 the statement printed that I said about the new bylaw for those that want to move up then they are 70 years of age is incorrect. You have it as "once they pass their 70th birthday." **It should read that they can move up to 30 feet at ANYTIME in the year in which they turn 70 years of age."**

Down and Back

with Jim Haupt

I guess in the holiday spirit I will turn the column over to some others. First, Donny Burmeister.

So Long,

Its been good to know you...

Don Burmeister moving to California MY BEST TO ALL,

It has been my sincere pleasure and enjoyment to have associated and competed with all. The friendship and comradeship in the WHPA is something all organizations should behold.

Special THANKS to : Terry and Lorraine Sternberg, who started me in the WHPA over 20 yr. ago. Karen Rampalski, The Love of my life and supported me in all ways. Roy and Jenny York always Dear to my heart. and for putting up with me, Jim Haupt, Ray Lopez, Ed Wheeler, Earl Paulson Hank Ziesse, Tom Steinke, Ken Kosky, Ken Davison, Jerry Kamps, Kevin Brekke, Bun Carley, Bob Kabella (Pitched in my tavern League 30 years ago) Ken Jaeger, Dick Hansen, Cliff Troullier, Rudy Van Fleet, Moose Meyer, Jane Smith (Most cordial and helpful. Helped me into Pitcher of the Year Award.) Ralph Maylahn (Pitched in my 1st unsanctioned tournament at my Tavern over 30 years ago) Mark and Norm Mauthe, Wes Podvin, Scott Kater, Al Huizenga, Bun Carley and Chet Hermansen.

I'll be moving to San Diego around the 20th of this month. I'll definitely pitch in the World next year at Bakersfield. HOPE TO SEE MANY OF YOU THERE. My Address is: Don Burmeister 3209 Pasternak Place San Diego,

California, 92123 My Computer will be turned off on the 18th of November and I'll be back on line around the 15th of December.

MY BEST TO ALL, Donny

Jim Ganther, from the Eau Claire Horseshoe Club recently competed in the Huntsman Senior World Horseshoe Tournament in St George, Utah. Jim won the 40 foot, 30% division.

In addition to the horseshoe tournament, Jim's team (he is the player/manager) won the over 50 Men's Slow Pitch Softball Tournament going undefeated.

His team, Bankers Life, has 10

"This is a fantastic area and if you ever have a chance to have a World Horseshoe Tournament there, I would highly recommend it."

Jim Ganther

players, including himself, who have been playing together for more than 25 years.

In all 7800 seniors participated in 18 different athletic events with teams from 51 countries competing.

Little Known Facts

Horseshoes of 2004

Although the largest tournament last year was the Pocatello World with 1131 pitchers, the Club Team tournament ranked 16th in size and was the largest in Wisconsin with 142 pitchers followed by the

WI State Tournament 19th with 137 pitchers. Team-World ranked 38th with 103 pitchers.

All of this information is available on the NHPA horseshoe page of the internet. It concludes the "reported events' column. That column, reported events, appears under Natstats, charter section. One can find the date the results were reported for any tournament. Those averages are subject to change every Wednesday.

According to the Wisconsin events reported to Natstats, we, the pitchers of Wisconsin, had 2268 tournament participation's in 51 events just within our own state. That means, in turn, that through the WHPA approved tournament fees we contributed over \$1100 to our own treasury in the course of the year and friends, it is the primary reason that our state dues have not been increased in about two decades.

Interesting stuff can be gleaned from the stats of Natstats.

WHPA Bulletin

Tony Scrima had hip replacement surgery Tues Nov 16. Tony's operation went very well and he's expected to be released from Waukesha Memorial Hospital Friday. He's already begun physical therapy. We all wish him well.
ED.

What Scrima really needs is good luck. He out of stir already attending tournaments with Tom Steinke. At the Sandbar he was playing the machines of chance. Just practicing because the place is really not open for bar business. Remember, its "Good Luck."

THE BELOIT PAGE

Autumn Harvest

**Usually a two day event; pitching times at 8, 11, and 2. Six courts.*

Red's Pitchin' Palace, the scene of all the indoor Beloit activities sets the pace for winter horse-shoes. Six courts lend themselves well to a pair of six-man classes. And the place is popular enough to demand three flights per day.

It may be that Beloit has the northern part of Illinois to draw from along with all of Wisconsin and that combination creates the demand for indoor pitching time. Whatever the drawing card, Beloit has got it.

The lunch counter at Beloit usually serves chili, hamburgers, sometimes brats, this time sweet stuff like brownies. The special of the day was hard boiled eggs at thirty cents each or on special, three for a buck. Bruce McLinn offered us a dozen at the special rate. Not everybody can afford those bargains.

Class A

- | | | |
|------------------|---------|------|
| 1. Mark Mauthe | 5/0 | 71.6 |
| 2. Dan Bloom | 3.5/1.5 | 55.6 |
| 3. Penny Steinke | 3/2 | 58.5 |

Class B

- | | | |
|-------------------|---------|------|
| 1. Dalton Simmons | 5/0 | 62.8 |
| 2. Paul Wilson | 3.5/1.5 | 56.4 |
| 3. Ralph Maylahn | 3/2 | 64.8 |

Class C

- | | | |
|-------------------|-----|------|
| 1. Jesse Garza | 5/0 | 52.4 |
| 2. Jeff Gustafson | 4/1 | 51.2 |
| 3. Mitch Vyhanek | 2/3 | 53.2 |

Class D

- | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-------|
| Richard Wisniewski | 4/2 | 43.8 |
| 2. Guy Modde | 4/2 | 35.0 |
| 3. Linda Hycnar | 4/2 | 33.33 |

Class E

- | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-------|
| 1. Milt Larsen | 5/1 | 37.08 |
| 2. Daniel Lessman | 4/2 | 38.8 |
| 3. Norm Beckius | 4/2 | 35.42 |

Class F

- | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-------|
| 1. Joe Annoreno | 4/1 | 35.20 |
|-----------------|-----|-------|

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|--------------------|-----|------|
| 2. Jason Goldsmith | 3/2 | 41.2 |
| 3. Bruce McLinn | 3/2 | 32.8 |

Class G

- | | | |
|------------------|-----|-------|
| 1. Sue Lange | 5/1 | 28.33 |
| 2. Mike Lange | 4/2 | 30.8 |
| 3. Joel Ramsdell | 3/3 | 25.8 |

Class H

- | | | |
|------------------|-----|------|
| 1. Virgil Smith | 5/0 | 37.2 |
| 2. Dan Stieber | 4/1 | 36.4 |
| 3. Vicki Vyhanek | 3/2 | 29.2 |

Class I

- | | | |
|-----------------|-----|------|
| 1. Ron Fritz | 5/0 | 26.0 |
| 2. Ken Hopp | 4/1 | 18.8 |
| Julie Petrovski | 3/2 | 20.8 |

Class J

- | | | |
|-----------------|-----|------|
| 1. Karen Keelin | 5/0 | 33.2 |
| 2. Ed Dolan | 3/2 | 26.4 |
| 3. Chuck Wells | 3/2 | 17.2 |

Class K

- | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-------|
| 1. Don Goers | 5/1 | 12.92 |
| 2. Wayne Goers | 3/2 | 12.08 |
| 3. Estle Beaver | 3/3 | 10.0 |

Class L

- | | | |
|--------------------|-----|------|
| 1. Emilio Guzman | 5/0 | 10.4 |
| 2. Michele Bennett | 4/1 | 14.8 |
| 3. Milt Winans | 3/2 | 8.40 |

Beloit Snowflake

It was another hey-dere, how ya doin' weekend in Beloit. Two days of horseshoes, six classes a day, two at a time. A nice event for the last WHPA tournament of 2004.

For complete results, Jimmy Paulson has posted them on the net at,
[Http://www.teamworldhorseshoe.com/s2004.html](http://www.teamworldhorseshoe.com/s2004.html)

There you will find every result stat you may desire; Name, entry average, number, state, wins, losses, points, ringers, pct over avg., shoes pitched and finally, ringer percent. And that's for every pitcher entered. It's more than we feel justified in printing. You will find only the abbreviated Newsletter variety accompanying this article.

That's the way it is with Beloit – more than you can handle sometimes.

One guy played Santa Claus, did not place in his class, won only one game, had at least one forty shoe game wherein he did not notch ringer number one. Others admitted they could do and have done as well. And later we heard his buddy telling him maybe the trouble was his belly shook like jelly. All sorts of compliments were flying around.

Dan Lessman, timid fellow that he is, was complaining on being dumped on once again for another second place. He did take a culinary first this day with his version of chicken gumbo.

See you there for the WHPA party and we'll start a new year.

Class A

- | | | |
|------------------|-----|-------|
| 1. Mark Mauthe | 5/0 | 64.00 |
| 2. Penny Steinke | 4/1 | 66.80 |
| 3. Dan Bloom | 2/3 | 58.00 |

Class B

- | | | |
|------------------|-----|-------|
| 1. Tom Endler | 5/1 | 49.58 |
| 2. Kerry Morris | 5/1 | 47.92 |
| 3. Mitch Vyhanek | 3/3 | 47.08 |

Class C

- | | | |
|------------------|-----|------|
| 1. Norm Beckius | 4/1 | 40.4 |
| 2. Guy Modde | 3/2 | 35.6 |
| 3. Don Goldsmith | 3/2 | 31.2 |

Class D

- | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-------|
| 1. Jason Goldsmith | 5/1 | 35.42 |
| 2. Daniel Lessman | 5/1 | 33.0 |
| 3. Dennis Simler | 4/2 | 37.5 |

Class E

- | | | |
|--------------------|---------|-------|
| 1. Allen Gonnerman | 5/0 | 46.40 |
| 2. Bruce McLinn | 3.5/1.5 | 30.0 |
| 3. Dan Stieber | 2.5/2.5 | 24.40 |

Class F

- | | | |
|------------------|-----|-------|
| 1. Wes Podvin | 5/0 | 32.0 |
| 2. Mike Rousseau | 3/2 | 29.20 |
| 3. Randy Elder | 3/2 | |

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*(Continued from page 10) Snowflake***Class G**

1. Virgil Smith	5/0	35.60
2. Skip Ramsdell	4/1	28.00
3. John McTigue	3/2	30.0

Class H

1. Ed Dolan	4/1	33.60
2. Steve Deegan	3/2	28.8
3. Ed Bonebright	3/2	21.2

Class I

1. Tony Elder	5/1	25.42
2. Matt Ramsdell	4/2	24.58
3. Jim Huckabee	4/2	23.75

Class J

1. Ron Fritz	5/0	21.6
2. Orville Schurr	4/1	17.6
3. Rick Borgwardt	3/2	15.2

Class K

1. Jim Mazan	4/1	18.4
2. Wayne Goers	4/1	18.0
3. George Moraza	2/1	18.0

Class L

1. Michelle Bennett	4.5/1.5	17.5
2. Emilio Guzman	4/1	7.00
3. Don Goers	3.5/1.5	7.0

CLUB TEAM**ARE YOU READY?**

Ask your teammates now.

83 days left to enter the 2005 Club Team. Pitching Sat. Apr 23, the day before the WHPA doubles. All pitchers are invited, men, women, Elders, Juniors.

Big weekend in Beloit. Be there: Be square. Enter your team ASAP. \$84/4-pitcher team to Jim Haupt 414-964-

Rockford

By Glenn Wicklund

Our second tournament as a sanctioned club had six groups and a perfect day. We had two four-person round robins, six games of fifty shoes. It was a little tough on some of us old guys.

Results:

A-1

Glenn Wicklund	5/1	48.5
Jesse Garza	4/2	48.5
Don Burmeister	2-4	43.6
Harry Laws	1/5	46.8

A-1

Tom Costa	6-0	52.4
Bill Wordel	4/2	34.5
Red Ferguson	0/6	28.8

B

Dennis Simler	4/1	26.4
Randy Elder	3.5/2.5	32.4
Laverne Roesslein	3/2	26.0
Rowen Swick	2.5/2.5	27.6

C

Randy Elder	4/1	33.6
Lavern Roesslein	4-1	31.2
Ken Lovaas	2.5/2.5	20.8
Tony Elder	2-3	21.2

D

Jim Huckabee	5/0	17.2
Fred Schollenberger	4/1	14.0
Orville Schurr	4/1	16.8
Pete Rockers	1/4	8.8

E

Michelle Bennet	5/0	15.0
Milt Winnes	4/1	10.0
Jimmy Paulson	3/2	10.4
Julie Paulson	2/3	2.5

As you can see, we had some repeats in the afternoon.

You've got to take the initiative and play your game.

In a decisive game, confidence is the difference."

Chris Evert Lloyd

Experience is a comb which nature gives us when we are bald.

A bird does not sing because it has an answer. It sings because it has a song.

You will never plough a field if you only turn it over in your mind.

The positive thinker sees the invisible, feels the intangible, and achieves the impossible."

"If you keep on saying things are going to be bad, you have a good chance of becoming a prophet."

Isaac Bashevis Singer

"Cherish the times you have with people because when those times are gone all you'll have is memories."

"Only your real friends will tell you when your face is dirty."

Sicilian Proverb

A cutting word is worse than a bowstring, a cut may heal, but the cut of the tongue does not.

DEANSVILLE

Rudy Says

The December 4, 2004 Deansville Open went off without a hitch. Nine of Beloit's finest made an appearance and dominated class A. Harry Nelson was the only 40 footer, in class A, and felt he should have had an added handicap. The results:

Class A -

1st 6-1 - 54% - Paul Wilson
2nd - 5-2 - 55% - Ron Wilcziek
3rd - 4-3 - 51% - Ralph Maylahn
4th - 4-3 - 51% - Glenn Wickland

Class B -

1st - 7.5-1.5 - 44% Gerald Weikert
2nd - 5.5-2.5 - 45% - Kerry Morris
3rd - 5-3 - 40% - John Gregorich
4th - 5-3 - 32% - Milt Larson

Class C -

1st - 6-1 - 25.5% - Norm Beckius
2nd - 4-3 - 34% - Bruce McLinn
3rd - 4-3 - 34% - John Mills
4th - 4-3 - 31% - Ed Wheeler

Jr. Youth -

1st - 5-2 - 28% - James Bultman
2nd - 4-3 - 17% - Tristin Tonstad
3rd - 4-3 - 15% - Ben Holznagel
4th - 3-4 - 05% - Mike Bultman

It's Easy

Step 1.

Last time in Deansville there was a sign-up sheet set out for the 4th of December. I got on board.

Step 2.

Now it's Thanksgiving and there is an official notice of start time in my computer mailbox. Because it is official no other notice is expected.

Step 3.

From Milwaukee, Deansville is an easy trip and the 9:00 AM Sunday

start is not an imposition.

Everybody made it, all nine guys in the class. Rudy said pitch 30 shoes and at that rate we played three games an hour, no problem. By Noon we were done with nine games.

As we were leaving another class was warming up. Two more classes, mainly from Beloit, played the house on Saturday resulting in a full tournament.

For a change, this time, the scoring, was done on a ringer/point basis. We could look up and down the line and quickly tell how everyone was doing-better for our one spectator..

In my class a lofty goal was 15 ringers per game.. Not for me, for the other guys. Chet Hermansen led the pack with 18. Unfortunately that was just one game as the results will show.

Do It Results

Class A

1st - 7-0 Mark Mauthe 70%
2nd - 5.5-1.5 Ralph Maylahn 54%
3rd - 4-3 Jim Larson 51%
4th - 4-3 Al Huizenga 48%

Class B

1st - 6-1 Steve Kulow 42%
2nd - 6-1 Rudy Van Fleet 35%
3rd - 5-2 Leo Richter 37%
4th - 3-4 Jim Haupt 32%

Class C

1st - 7-0 John Mills 31%
2nd - 6-1 Carol Rahfaldt 34%
3rd - 5-2 Ken Kosky 30%
4th - 4-3 Tom Steinke 21%

Deansville Do It

** Usually a two day event; pitching times at 9 and 1. Four courts.*

The big change at Deansville is the introduction of new scoreboards.

Jim Larson is said to be the creator of the new smaller board similar to the standard boards of Platteville, Beloit, and Arena. These boards designed to be player operated have large numbers on the wheels and two rows of magnetically controlled numbers top and bottom. The center dial records the shoes (up to 40).

The club choice is to record the total score on the large wheel numbers and keep track of ringers on the smaller magnetic digits.

The new boards were intentionally kept narrow as not to conflict with the free space between courts and still be read from at least the home end of the courts. The boards are neat clear and a vast improvement over the former method. Although some of the numbers are difficult to read unless you are pitching the game, most boards, wherever you go, have the same fault.

We were aware that the whole place looked larger. Could it have been that the old scoreboards limited the space? Or was it the fact that the north end of the room is now painted entirely flat black? The four court house now seems more spacious. Might be only be in the mind but we like the new look.

ARENA

Fall Classic

**Usually a one day (Saturday) event. Pitching times depend upon number of flights scheduled. Eight courts, using seven ordinarily.*

One more temporary owner of the Arena Sandbar bit the dust. After doing extensive remodeling, building stages, new wooden walls, a half deck with stairs, this owner failed to get his liquor

license renewed.

The Sandbaggers, meaning, the horseshoe pitchers were tossing about the idea of taking over the managerial position of the whole place. Unfortunately it had been a "gentleman's club" and the Sandbaggers could not find an appropriate personality as manager.

Good news at the Sandbar is that the familiar doubles on Saturdays has begun again as of November 6th.

Could be a future home for Sandbar Save a Buck Lumber Co., the stock is all there and an indoor sales-room..

RESULTS FALL CLASSIC

CLASS A

JULIAN TIJERINA 6.5 - 1.5 44.69%
2) KERRY MORRIS 6 - 2 41.87%
3) BUN CARLEY 5.5 - 2.5 44.38%

CLASS B

1) MILT LARSEN 5 - 2 37.14%
DENNIS CAPENER 4.5 - 2.5 36.43%
3) ED WHEELER 4.5 - 2.5 31.79%

CLASS C

1) PHIL HAAS 5 - 1 18.33%
2) TONY HAAS 4 - 2 16.33%
DAN NALEPINSKI 2.5 - 3.5 22.66%

THANK YOU TO THE 21 PEOPLE THAT SHOWED UP, AND I HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL AT THE SANTA'S SINGLES ON DEC. 11.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY ED WHEELER

Santa's

Eddie Wheeler

Well, there was plenty of action at the Arena courts on Dec. 11, for the 2004 Santa's Singles, for those of you who missed it. 29 pitchers showed up for some very good contests. This event also had three (3) new WHPA members pitching in their first tournament, and they did not disappoint anyone!!

The first shift started off with the "B" and "D" classes. Class D had two of the three new members, and they took it upon themselves to make a few statements. Steve Deegan made the loudest statement by winning his first event with a 6-1 record. Steve's only loss came from Rodney Johnson, the other new member. Bob Anderson tied for first, but opted not to do the playoff, and took home second place. Dan Nalepinski took third place honors with a 4-3 record.

Class B had it's own set of fireworks brewing up on the front courts. After all seven games were finished, there was a three way tie for first place, Milt Larsen, Ed Mell, and Ed Wheeler, they all ended with 5-2 records. The first playoff game had Milt and Ed W. going head to head, to see who would face Ed Mell for first place. The final tally had Ed edging out Milt by a score of 28 to 23. In the second playoff game, one could tell that both pitchers were getting pretty tired. Both Eds only pitched eight ringers each, and it was Ed W. squeaking out a win with a 23 to 22 score.

Class C had some excitement going on during the second shift. Carol Rahfaldt, in her first trip to the Arena courts, took it upon herself to take charge of this class, by

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Santa's

Another view seen through the eyes of your agent, Jim Haupt.

Eddie Wheeler was wearing the red and white Santacap today but was not giving anything away. Winning 5 games in regular competition was not enough. Took him two extra games to finally win Class B.

The Sandbaggers cleared the decks, had all eight courts back in operation. Possibly thinking of the doubles events. Had one scheduled for the day following.

We always wonder about what drives the pitchers who come the furthest to pitch a tournament. This time it was John Dolezel, all the way from Eau Claire, about three hours behind the wheel.

Current gasoline price in the area is as low as \$1.79. Small reward for tournament attendance.

Dave Forseth is already on the list as a Hall of Fame nominee so we'll let that rest but it could be added to his resume that he makes great Cheeseburgers and provided another example this Saturday.

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winning with a 4-2 record and a 32.50% average. Nice job Carol!! The third new member, Steve Rick walked off with second place, by pitching a 3.5 - 2.5 record and a 30.00% average. John Dolezel of Eau Claire, and three other pitchers ended up with 3 -3 records, but it was John who took third place honors with a 35.25% average.

Meanwhile, up on the front courts, Ken Frame, Kerry Morris and Bun Carley, decided that five games would not be enough for them. They all ended up with 4-1 records. Kerry made a very loud statement, in his first game against Bun, when he threw 34 ringers out of 50 shoes, for a 68% game. That is an awesome game for a 43% pitcher!!!! But Ken and Bun kept the heat on Kerry. In the first playoff game, Bun outlasted Ken by a score of 27 to 22. Ken took home third place with a 4-2 record and a 45.67% average. The second playoff game saw Kerry edge out Bun by a score of 29 to 25, and took first place with a 5-1 record and a 48.67% average, while Bun finished with a 5-2 record and a 45.43% average.

I want to thank all those who entered and helped make this event a success.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO EVERYONE.

CLASS A

- 1) KERRY MORRIS 5 -1 - 48.67%
- 2) BUN CARLEY 5 -2 - 45.43%
- 3) KEN FRAME 4 -2 - 45.67%

CLASS B

- 1) ED WHEELER 7-2 - 32.22%
- 2) ED MELL 5-3 - 36.25%
- 3) MILT LARSEN 5-3 - 33.75%

CLASS C

- 1) CAROL RAHFALD 4-2 - 32.5
- 2) BOB ANDERSON 6-1 - 25.00%
- 3) DAN NALEPINSKI 4-3 - 19.64

CLASS D

- 1) STEVE DEEGAN 6-- 30.00%
- 2) STEVE RICK 3.5-2.5 26.79%
- 3) JOHN DOLEZEL 3 -3 36.25%

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Steve and Mark Stevens

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1st	Ken Kosky	31.1
2nd	Jim Jakel	28.2
1st	Ralph Marthaler	33.8
2nd	Al Rude	36.0
1st	Jerry Niemuth	46.6
2nd	David Paul	40.3
1st	Mark Stevens	49.2
2nd	Leroy Meyer	44.1

There are certain pitching venues, in the state, that just have that mystique about them where you feel you missed something if you don't go. Marengo is one of those places. If Steve Stevens can't get you to have a great time pitching horseshoes, nobody can. The courts certainly are not the best, indoors the lighting is poor, the clay is thin and the stakes are loose. Other than that, it's a great place to pitch horseshoes.

Ken Kosky

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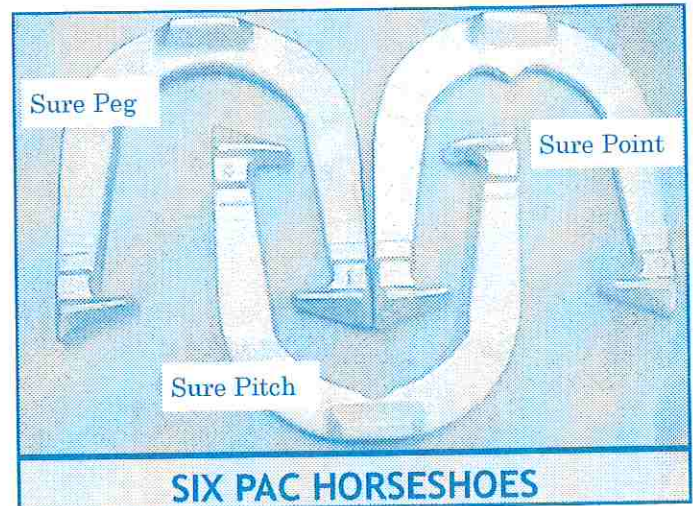
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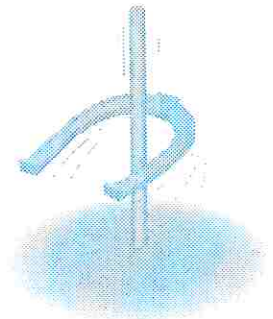
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