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## OHIO, YOU ARE, TEAM-WORLD

by Jim Haupt

Ohio, who returned to Team-World, trophy in tow, did it again. Anchored by World Champion, Alan Francis, the Buckeyes out-pointed six time winner Minnesota in the final game of the ladder finish.

It was a turnabout match. Allan Francis lost his only game of the tour-

down 6 single points in total.

Ohio's Tina Tonnous, pitching shoes for just four years did a number on three time World Champ, Dale Lipovsky who was slow out of the blocks. Pitching 32 ringers, 80%, Tonnous out pointed the veteran Minnesotian by 18.



Team workhorse, Bob Garber of Ohio, picked to lose against 5 time World Champion Phyllis Negaard, turned it around with a plus 20 point win.

Ohio split the match 2-2 but won going away on the point total. Positively, Tonnous and Garber saved the day. Together with the stellar defensive games of the Francis duo it was Ohio by 32. Ohio, you are

Team-World for 1999.

A Beloit reporter, Steve Clark of the Daily News caught these words from Allan Francis, "It's important if you don't win (your game) at least keep your score pretty close because that can affect your finish. You don't want any blowouts."

In other matches within the ladder finish, Ohio defeated a formidable challenger in the Colorado team, 3 games to one. Colorado had lost only 13 of the 76 preliminary games and stomped on the number four ladder team Wisconsin, 4 zip.

Wisconsin had earned the coveted

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ney to Minnesota's equally fine caliber pitcher, Bev Nathe. She lit it up early in the match missing just twice in 32 shoes. At the halfway point (20 shoes) Nathe had Francis down 18-2. Francis marked straight doubles for the final 20 shoes managing only to cut the lead. Lacking 4 points, Ohio lost number one. Nathe had 34 ringers to Francis' 32.

Next door, Ohio's Amy Francis battled #2 in the 98 World, Mark Baumann of Minnesota. With clicks and clucks, the lead changed five times. They each came away with 33 ringers but Baumann measured for two single points. Ohio lost number two and now

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## Coming Events

**JUN 12-13 EAU CLAIRE OPEN** skpg extra \$15  
Eli Lucas 3015 Nimitz St Eau Claire, WI 54701  
715-832-1482 **28-99-016** D/L 5-31

**JUN 12-13 BELOIT SPRING SINGLES** incl skpg  
Earl Paulson \$20  
7105 S Co Hy H Beloit, WI 53511  
608-879-2304 may be mixed **28-99-017** D/L 5-27

**JUN 20-21 MUSKEGO OPEN** \$15  
Tom Steinke 155 S Charles St Waukesha, WI 53186  
414-542-0252 **28-99-018** D/L 6-5

**JUN 20-21 MARSHFIELD ONE** \$15  
Randy Rein 201 Second St Mosinee, WI 54455  
715-693-1199 may be mixed **28-99-019** D/L 6-6

**JUN 25-27 GOLDENDALE;** Germantown skpg \$1/ga  
Terry Sternberg \$15  
W206N13520 Woodside Ln Richfield, WI 53076  
414-677-3300 **28-99-020** D/L 6/13

**July 3 Wausau Open;** Ringle Limit 64 \$15  
Ken Kosky 6007 Municipal St Schofield, WI 54476  
715-355-4628 May be mixed **28-98-021** D/L 6/20

**July 3 Rescue Mountain** unsanctioned \$14

**July 4 "911 Open"** **28-99-022** sanctioned \$16  
Debbie Trossen 1-715-276-6041 both mixed  
14840 Deer Run Trail, Mountain, WI 54149 D/L6-2

**July 4 Pioneer Park - Westfield** show-up 1 PM  
**Bob Cummings** 608-296-2680 Round robin

**July 10-11 Mid-East Open** unsanc. \$15, at cts \$17

**July 12 Combined Locks NHPA Sanctioned** \$17  
Rosemary Kamps ~~414-788-3229~~ **28-99-023** limit 48

**101 Kamps Ct., Combined Locks, WI 54113** D/L 6-24

**July 18 Oxford Open Singles** \$13  
**Francis Schalk** 608-584-5264 **28-99-024**  
135 Edgewood Dr, Oxford, WI 53952

**July 19-31 WORLD TOURNAMENT**  
Greenville, OH Dick Hansen 414-835-9108

**Aug 1 Neenah Valley Doubles - Oxford** \$10  
**Frank Schalk** 608-584-5264 round robin 10:00 AM

**Aug 7 Northern Ringer Classic** **28-99-026** \$15

**Aug 8 Ashland Doubles** 28-99-027 \$20 per team  
**Steve Stevens** 715-278-3473 Mixed  
Rte 1, Box 132, Marengo, WI 54855

**Aug 14-15 SOUTHERN WI OPEN** inc sckpng \$25  
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Note: Some WHPA approved events are unsanctioned.  
Call, 414-964-2735 at least 6 wks. prior for free listing  
in this column.

## CLUB TEAM for the 15th year

Eighteen teams came to Beloit to play the annual Club Team tournament. Missing from the usual lineup were teams from the Sandbar, Platteville, Donnie's Time Out, and Fond du Lac. Taking up the slack were the additions of a second team from Combined Locks and third team from the Kenosha club. The very last entry, Waukesha, was also a first time entry this year.

Club Team has been blessed with a fair turnout every year. Entry numbers have made class play mandatory. What started as a one class tournament in 1985, went to two in '91 and since '95 is three classes. If all expected clubs participate next year, it will certainly be a four class event. We have the time and necessary courts. Remember this for next year; a four person team does not have to be the four top players from the club, we have classes for all team averages.

Close Doesn't Count, the north of 8 people who first won the Club Team trophy in '97 regrouped this time with designated captain, Jane Smith to win 15 of their 20 games becoming the team of the year - 1999 Club Team Champions. The all 30 ft team was led by high average pitcher, Clayton Gage (81.6%) winning

all his games. Together with, Sue Helene, also winning all games, the pair carried the team. Don Hostrup had an opening game of 68% but ran into Phyllis Davids of Green Bay pitching her high game of the day, 70%. Edie McKinney, a little off the pace, turned in the two wins needed to best the Eau Claire crew.

Dave Schorbahn, pitching for second place Eau Claire, had low rank spot on the team but used it to advantage. He lost just one game and oddly it was his best of the day. State Champ Jr., Barry Dahl matched wins with his partner for 8 of total 13 wins. With two juniors on the team, Dustin and Barrent Dahl, Schorbahn volunteered (with Gert Wilcziek) that their \$100 prize money would be donated to the Eau Claire club.

Lorraine Sternberg for the defending champion Goldendale team won her share, all five games. Missing two top pitchers, the Germantown new team lineup did well to finish winning third place money of \$80.

Kenosha with three teams entered won both the B and C divisions. Pitchers with perfect records included; Herman Adler of Waunakee, Ed Hack of Windy Hill-2, Jerry Kaplan and a sub named Jim Hill for Kenosha-2

<u>Championship Class</u>		<u>Beloit 6th 4 wins</u>		<u>Marshfield 5th 9 wins</u>		<u>Comb Locks 2 4th 10wins</u>	
<u>Close Doesn't Count 15 wins</u>		McLinn, Bruce	27.2	Draeger, George	28.8	Mason, Gene	35.6
Gage, Clayton	81.6	Wilson, Paul	30.8	Gregorich, Bob	44.0	Matey, Bill	34.0
McKinney, Edie	54.8	Laws, Harold	34.8	Jakel, Vince	43.2	Kamps, Jerry	26.4
Helene, Sue	59.6	Maylahn, Ralph	58.8	Van Dyk, John	30.0	Kater, Scott	18.0
Hostrup, Don	64.0						
<u>Eau Claire 2nd 13 wins</u>		<u>Class B</u>		<u>Goldendale 2 6th 4 wins</u>		<u>Waukesha 5th 8 wins</u>	
Dahl, Dustin	55.6	<u>Kenosha 1 1st 13 wins</u>		Davison, Ken	24.0	Kozel, Galen	25.2
Dahl, Barrent	63.6	Nelson, Harry	44.8	Haupt, Jim	30.4	Steinke, Tom	19.6
Schorbahn, Dave	48.0	Hagen, Bill	34.4	Sternberg, Terry	26.4	Pitel, Cal	32.4
Wilcziek, Gert	56.4	Johnson, Lloyd	52.0	Sternberg, Renee	28.4	Herman, Chuck	25.6
		Endler, Tom	43.2				
<u>Goldendale 3rd 11 wins</u>		<u>Comb Locks 2nd 12.5 wins</u>		<u>Class C</u>		<u>Kenosha 3 6th 2 wins</u>	
Sternberg, Lorraine	67.2	Srenaski, Cy	32.4	<u>Kenosha 2 1st 16 wins</u>		Zoromskis, Joe	19.6
Scrima, Tony	50.8	Srenaski, Wally	28.4	Berger, Wayne	27.6	Wisnefski, Wayne	25.6
Heinritz, Ken	48.8	Troullier, Elaine	56.8	Fisher, Jan	44.8	Esser, Arnie	27.2
Costa, Tom	32.0	Troullier, Cliff	36.0	Kaplan, Jerry	32.8	Statema, Jack	20.0
				Hill, Jim	46.0		
<u>Green Bay 4th 10 wins</u>		<u>Waunakee 3rd 11 wins</u>		<u>Windy Hill 2 2nd 12 wins</u>			
David, Phyllis	54.4	Wipperfurth, Tip	42.0	Kosky, Ken	31.6		
Selissen, Roxanne	37.6	Tijerina, Julian	37.2	Hack, Ed	36.4		
Sorenson, Mer	58.0	Anderson, Robert C.	35.2	Hehling, Greg	18.4		
Wiegert, Steve	57.2	Adler, Herman	51.6	Mills, John	29.2		
<u>Windy Hill 1 5th 7 wins</u>		<u>Fieldhouse 4th 9.5 wins</u>		<u>Beloit 2 3rd 11 wins</u>			
Eckardt, Rueben	DNF	Willms, Ron	34.8	Paulson, Earl	36.0		
Rein, Randy	73.2	Hansen, Richard	39.6	Beckius, Norm	28.4		
Schram, Gus	51.2	Hansen, Chuck	26.4	Burns, Russ	24.0		
Spahn, Pat	42.4	Willms, Maria	33.6	Ferguson, Red	29.2		

Suppose you were an idiot. And suppose you were a member of Congress. But I repeat myself.

- Mark Twain

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#4 ladder spot winning over Ontario, and Illinois, both in split decisions. One game of the Ontario match stood out. Clayton Gage, Wisconsin, shut out former World Champ, Sandy Janssens, with a 95% game (38 ringers) gaining 67 points.

Illinois took a 3-1 match over Indiana who subsequently lost to Ontario to determine sixth place.

Alan Francis ran the gamut of high games. He started out with a 38 (95%) on Friday remained in the 30-some range pitching 39 (97.5%) Sunday in the last game of the pre-lims.

One half the entry of the Team-World 99, represented an individual state or province. Five of those states brought multiple teams expanding the field to 20 teams. Actually 22 entries were tendered; just 20 were accepted. From past experience Team-World has found the even numbers of 20 or 24 teams provide for a quality time tournament both for the competing pitchers and the tournament staff.

Some names of horseshoe people in Beloit for the long weekend do not appear in the results column. As a class they are dear to the game – fans – almost unheard of in horseshoes.

Paula Hunsicker of Tennessee attends with Tracie Gustafson, her daughter from Appleton, WI. They keep score with the best of them.

A Team-World is never complete without Gene Anderson of Minnesota. Dick Dvorak, MN pres., Jack Thayer, Ron Negaard and Everett Nathe were there looking for another Minnesota win. Someone of that bunch had tagged the trophy, "Property of the State of Minnesota."

Joe Farron, MO pres., checked out the Missouri teams along with team sponsor Harvey Wobbe, the

Six-Pac man who also sponsors the cost of scorekeeping for all final games.

Cliff Baker, still limping from knee surgery rode herd on his Illinois guys and Bonnie Seibold with temporary cane watched over her Indiana men.

Walter Ray Williams pulled in for the finals, exercised his computer and for a switch was number one fan. Craig Zuehlke and Luke Thompson wanted to see the event that had the gall to return their Illinois entry. Bob McGarry of Harvard Bowl (IL) showed up. Jane Smith pulled herself off the roster to become the WI-3 team mgr.

Bob Wilke, the 90 year old Wisconsin pitcher who played with Casey Jones, came to meet the "kids" who are still playing the game. Another old-timer in for a look was Sid Anderson, 1987 World Elders Champ.

The Ontario entourage included dad and mom McLachlin, Dale Janssens, and Tom Stroh. Amy Francis' mom and Paul Tonnous helped count those Ohio wins. Fred Brown never lost game as stand-by for Ohio. And Chuck Blakely stopped by. Chuck is just another guy who likes the people and the game. You ought to get to know Chuck.

We all love the awards ceremonies when we win something– anything will do. Don Kangas of the Wisconsin team seemed very happy accepting the team's fourth place award. Most outgoing was Paul La Crosse of the Colorado team. It was justified, they were into it all the way. Minnesota has been there, done that, and respected the Ohio team as the camera's flashed for team pictures.

Dick Hansen said it, "And that's it, thanks for coming to the last Team-World of this century."

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Terry Lokken has Team-World 99 up on the Beloit Horseshoe Club web-page. It features the best horseshoe article this old duffer has ever seen, written by a professional not known to be really acquainted with this sport.

Thanks to Steve Clark, Daily News staff writer, we discover what good writing is all about.

## THE PRESIDENTS COLUMN

Is the percentage gap in Class A Open Tournaments a problem? I've been getting different opinions from class A pitchers. Some say they don't mind the gap in percentages, that's just the way Class A always was. The pitchers wanted the prestige of being in class A. Some say they pitch in Class A all year but then don't qualify to pitch in the Championship Class at State. Yes I do agree the lower half of class A are taking a pounding. To handicap Class A doesn't seem to be the answer either, the lower percentage pitchers are still going to be pitching last shoes. So its not going to help their average. What I do think would work is, Tournament Directors making Class A smaller. Instead of the usual 8 person class have a 6 or 4 person class. Then if the gap is still to great, go alternate pitch. Tournament directors should maybe make a couple of telephone calls before setting up their Tournament Schedule. I sure do hope that this issue in Class A is just the percentage gap, and not because the class is mixed. Because we are all getting older.

Let your Tournament Directors know what you think might work. But don't use this for AN excuse to chew him out.

Delegates for this years Convention at the World Tournament are your current 5 State Officers. Rule change proposals were printed in the May-June issue of Newslite. Let your Delegates know how they should vote.

Cliff & Elaine Troullier informed me that this is their last year as Sub-distributors for game related items. Interested parties should contact them. I would like to thank them on behalf of The State Association for making it a great convenience for pitchers to purchase game related items.

It is my intent, and also the intent of all concerned parties, to have an Elders Class, at the State Tournament in Wausau, that is fair to all pitchers regardless of average. Consideration is being given to several different options. One of these would be to have the Elders Class A and Elders Championship Class pitch against each other and yet be separate classes. Similar to the Juniors Class in 1998. All of you Elders please sign up to pitch. I promise you won't be sorry!

Your Pres. Ken Jaeger

## That's where the money goes

The Club Team tournament of 1999 bucked tradition deciding to pay all places. Of course there's always the expenses to deduct first. Telfer Park is leased by the Beloit club mainly for the Team-World but we have found we can take advantage of the big team court setup for a few additional events. Club Team rental for a day at Telfer is only \$145 working out to \$2 per entry. We pay some people to do the statistical tabulating at the rate of \$1 per person. We also pay the WHPA fee of 50 cents per person and expect another 50 cents to pay the cost of publishing results, copying and

postage. Other miscellaneous costs are absorbed leaving \$16 of the \$20 individual entry fee as available prize money. No raffles or other promotions were sponsored by Club Team. We were able to pay \$120 for 1st; \$100 for 2nd; \$80 for third, \$28 for fourth, \$16 for 5th and 4 free, pre-paid Team World raffle tickets for all places in all classes. Amounts prevailed in all classes excepting that the championship trophy was awarded to "A" who also have the "privilege" of sponsoring the necessary engraving. "Never regret a dollar spent in fun."

### 1999 KAMPS KLASSIC TOURNAMENT

Here are the results of our (special) sanctioned tournament. It turned out great, We had a great time.

1st	Mer Sorenson	5-0	50%
2nd	Leroy Meyer	4-1	34%
3rd	Jack Algiers	3-2	43%
4th	Cy Srenaski	2-3	45%
5th	Walt Srenaski	1-4	21.5
6th	Jerry Kamps	0-5	24.5

Thanks for your help and advice  
JERRY KAMPS

## TWO BROTHERS, TWO STATE CHAMPIONS

By Lorraine Sternberg

The two Dahl boys from Wisconsin now each have a State Title after their name. This past September at the State Tournament, Barrent beat his brother Dustin, the defending champion, to win the title. Both ended with nearly identical ringer percentage (68.7 and 68.5).

Barrent and Dustin are becoming familiar with the World Tournament, their first being at Kitchener, where both pitched in Class B. Dustin finished in 2nd place with 56.17% and Barrent in 11th place, averaging 36.54%. This past year in Nebraska, Dustin pitched in Class A finishing with 61.5% and Barrent in Class B at 57.83%. But for both boys, the friends they have made in the past two years has been the most rewarding part.

Barrent and Dustin started pitching at a very young age (Barrent at 6 and Dustin, around 8), Dad, being pretty much their coach. Chris their older brother, also helped encourage them to pitch. The boys say they never practice together. Dustin tries to practice every day and Barrent gets some practice in about three times a week.

Dustin's advice to share with others is to stay cool, enjoy the game, and don't let your emotions get the best of you while pitching. Barrent says never give in, if you're winning or losing.

It seems both boys share in their most memorable experience in horseshoes and that is winning the State Title, Dustin in 1997 and Barrent in 1998.



Although these two boys live in Trempealeau, WI, which is very close to the Minnesota border, they do cross the line for some things, as you can see in the picture.

These brothers have become a great asset for Wisconsin horseshoes. Through the years, Wisconsin has ranked among the top with families pitching together. Although there are too many to mention everyone, a few of the top Junior pitchers from Wisconsin have hit the top. They are Debby Bestul, 1984, 85, 87, 88; Heidi Sternberg, 1994; and Penny Steinke, 1995 and 96, all winning the title of Junior Girls World Champion.

It's through families pitching horseshoes together that will keep this game alive. It's also a fun thing to do together as a family.

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May/June issue.

## PUDGE AND BEAR

By Dave Schorbahn

My boys, Pudge and Bear (Dustin and Barrent Dahl) go with me to a lot of tournaments, sometimes at great distances. They pitch as juniors with an average of about 65%. Other juniors, in most cases, average only about 10 to 20%. Men over 70 and women pitch 30' in adult competition. I think the boys should be allowed to pitch with the adults if there are no junior pitchers

with around the same percentage.

We are asking this favor, of the tournament directors in the state, so the boys don't have to travel so many miles and end up playing only against each other. We would also appreciate it if the WHPA Board could please discuss this situation at the fall meeting.

This letter was co-signed by 26 adult WHPA members from the Eau Claire area.

## Al McGowan

Washington Park Horseshoe Club of Milwaukee, Wisconsin lost its longtime Secretary-Treasurer, Al McGowan, 83, when he passed away mid-May 1999. Al served the club in that office for an amazing 50 years. He was known as the engineer, retiring from the Milwaukee Road. In retirement Al remained very active as a parking attendant for the former Milwaukee Braves. He also played senior baseball, pool, darts, and enjoyed bowling, in addition to horseshoes. He is survived by his wife Evelyn, a son, and daughter.

## Play it again, Sam.

Formerly a weekend partner to the Club Team, the Beloit Encore has struck out on it's own as a two day tournament. This year it was May Day when 130 pitchers descended on the Beloit club and Telfer Park for the weekend but even with a full house pitching all courts (was it 20 or 24?) the big barn looked only half full. Both tournaments the previous weekend, Club Team and the WHPA State Doubles, each with decidedly fewer entries, seemed to populate the place to a greater degree.

Beloit Tournament Director, Earl Paulson had things clicking along like maybe he's done it a couple of times before. Paulson attributes the heavy entry to Illinois pitchers. The Northern Flatlanders have said they usually have to travel far to the south to an in-state tournament and never will find the likes of Telfer Park.

On this, a special day, perhaps Paulson and the Beloit Club could petition the Illinois Association for the use of a region 29 sanction number. Wouldn't that be something – an Illinois sanctioned tournament on Wisconsin courts.

WHPA VP Tom Steinke in charge of the Scholarship Fund was on-hand during the Encore doing the raffle thing one more time. A week earlier he was

seen selling chances on a few WHPA team jackets. Always attentive when a drawing is made, he surveyed the official draw for the portable courts fabricated and donated by Ken Jaeger to support court rental for the State Doubles. Dave Klipstein, Janesville, was the lucky winner. In a snap someone offered him \$50 for the courts. another countered with \$55. Suddenly it became an auction. Principal bidders were Gus Schram and Tom Steinke. The bid advanced. Schram ducked out at \$75. Jaeger put the hammer down at \$76 to Tom Steinke. Of course Steinke is what they call a dealer.

A week later Steinke had the same set of courts on the raffle block at the Encore for the Scholarship Fund. Tickets were the same price. It was business as usual. This could go on and on.

Ceil Trossen came down from Suring for the Encore (240 mi?) She says she's going to make them all this year.

You know, Suring, WI is in bear country, near Mountain. The other day on the news, they told of a black bear that was hanging around an ice cream stand in town getting handouts, been going on for three years. The DNR says relocation seems to be the logical answer. The ice cream owner objects saying, "How am I going to sell ice cream out in the woods?"

**Results below:**

<b>Class A</b>		<b>Class F</b>		<b>Class K</b>		<b>Class P</b>	
Larry Knop	67.08	Rich Andrysiak	40.36	Mike Rousseau	34.06	Al Schliem	19.67
Dennis Reid	64.17	Bruce McLinn	33.93	Bob Pankhurst	28.06	Mike Steinke	20.00
Dan Bloom	50.83	Marvin Robers	36.07	Pete Rockers	21.88	John Lambert	18.80
<b>Class B</b>		<b>Class G</b>		<b>Class L</b>		<b>Class Q</b>	
Craig Zuehlke	50.36	Harold Laws	32.86	Tom Wasberg	22.19	Rick Swick	19.60
Mike McBride	51.43	Owen Bloodgood	34.29	Tom Hanson	25.00	Vic Paulson	7.60
Tony Scrima	51.07	Rich Conrad	32.86	Barb Baxter	20.71	Chris Donovan	6.40
<b>Class C</b>		<b>Class H</b>		<b>Class M</b>		<b>Class R</b>	
Bob Power	46.79	Fred Morel	31.56	Nate Johnson	25.63	Kevin Wondra	37.92
Hallie Lambert	51.79	Carl Feck	34.38	Bud Wicks	25.83	Bob McGarry	27.92
Ken Heinritz	50.00	Bob Fritz	35.00	Dean Baxter	24.06	Ed Haakinson	20.42
<b>Class D</b>		<b>Class I</b>		<b>Class N</b>			
Lloyd Johnson	49.29	Ralph Oliver	43.21	Bill Weaver	22.86		
Teresa Donar	45.71	Dave Aho	41.07	Kim Blakely	25.00		
Harold Brockway	44.64	Ceil Trossen	27.50	Brandi Miller	21.07		
<b>Class E</b>		<b>Class J</b>		<b>Class O</b>			
Jeff Gustafson	34.64	Beech Becorest	30.36	Don Marquardt	18.21		
Julian Tijerina	39.64	Carl Schliem	33.21	Bob Traber	15.00		
Rich Wisniewski	35.00	Ken Kremnitzer	32.92	Dick Plaisance	18.93		

## JANE SMITH TO RUN FOR WHPA PRESIDENT

My basic principle is that you don't make decisions because they are easy; you don't make them because they are cheap; you don't make them because they're popular; you make them because they are right.

- Theodore Hesburgh

I believe the time is right to run for the important job of President of the Wisconsin Horseshoe Pitchers Association. I have experienced many different roles in the horseshoe game since first joining in 1981 and feel this experience can be utilized in promoting a stronger WHPA. Your support and vote of confidence will be greatly appreciated.

## NEWS FROM EAU CLAIRE

### EAU CLAIRE EARLYBIRD

by John Dolezel

The Eau Claire Horseshoe Club hosted the Early-bird Tournament Saturday May 8th under cloudy skies with the temperature in the low 50's. This gave those who pitched poorly ample excuses for our low scores. It boosted sales of coffee and hot chocolate throughout the day.

Sixty-two pitchers participated from throughout the state and some came from Minnesota for this early season event. Ralph Maylahn of Genesee Depot won Class A and Tournament Champion with a 5-0 record and 63.6%. Fourteen year old Ryan Anderson of Barron blew away the competition in Class G with a 4-1 record and 33.3% and Sonia Cook won first place in Class E with a 6-1 record and 41.1%- the first time she's won the NHPA class champion patch!

Despite the cold weather, participants appreciated the efforts of tournament director Dennis Kieser, Elly McCarn who made up the schedules, score cards and sheets, and other members of the Eau Claire Club who helped out in so many ways to make the tournament run smoothly.

A 1st Ralph Maylahn 63.6; 2nd Don Hostrup 63.2  
 B 1st Tiffany Gage 63.6; 2nd Suzanne Helene 54.8  
 C 1st Merrill Semingson 44.01; 2nd Randy Miller 40.8  
 D 1st Kathy Hanson 50.9; 2nd Sylvia David 48.8  
 E 1st Sonia Cook 41.1; 2nd Rueben Eckardt 40.4  
 F 1st George Drager 38.4; 2nd Ron Wilcziek 33.2  
 G 1st Ryan Anderson 33.2; 2nd Mel Cook 26.2  
 H 1st John VanDyk 26.0; 2nd Cathy Coyle 24.8  
 I 1st Jim Heim 30.4; 2nd Dan David 16.8  
 J 1st Pat Smith 26.4; 2nd Tom Torgerson 17.6

## Jim and Amy Larson

Another April wedding happened between a Madison couple, Jim and Amy Larson.

Just happened on the news of the event when John Crook of Spring Green announced his own wedding plans. He let it slip that Larson had already gone the same route.

You will recall the hot colored supplement included in the last issue with the late breaking news of the Crook wedding. Anybody else creating news should contact this newsletter with a little time to spare. We are hot on horseshoe tournaments but in the dark on your personal lives.

Know yourself. Don't accept your dog's admiration as conclusive evidence that you are wonderful.

- Ann Landers

Laziness is nothing more than resting before you get tired.

- Jules Renard

When you are in deep water it is a good idea to keep your mouth shut.

-St. Louis Tribune

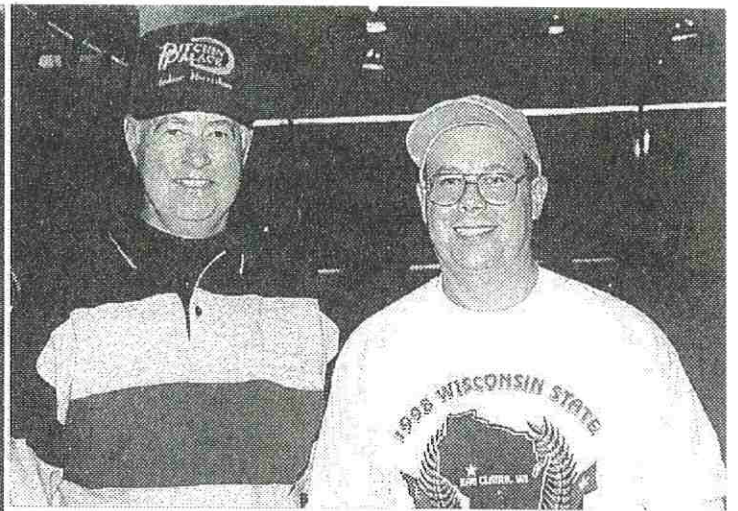
A habit is something you can do without thinking which is why most of us have so many of them.

- Frank A. Clark

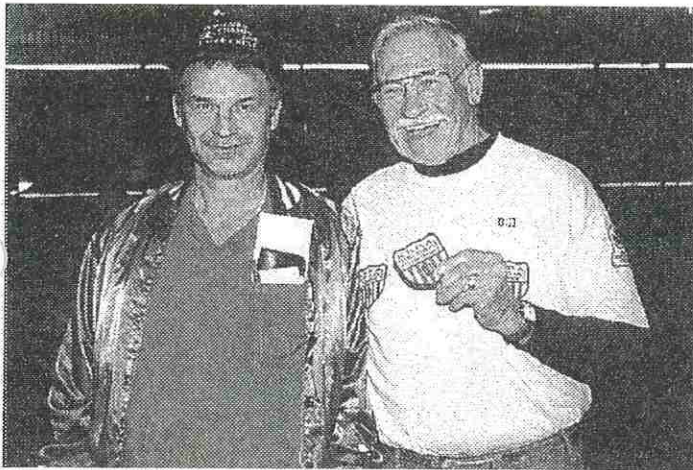




1999 State Doubles Champions  
Gus Schram & Randy Rein



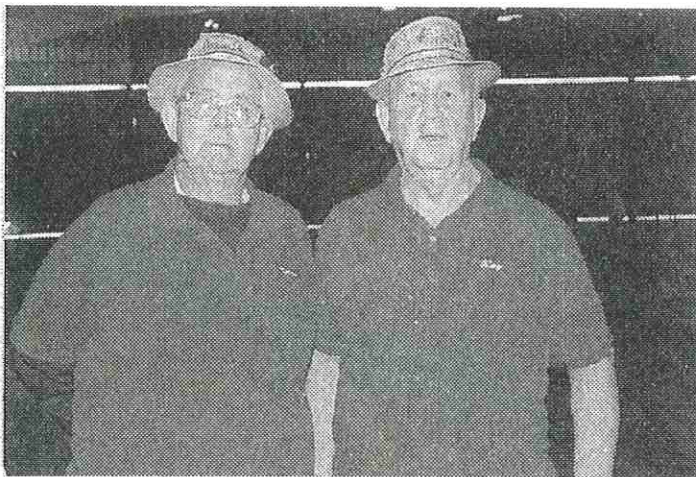
Class A Lloyd Johnson - Tom Endler



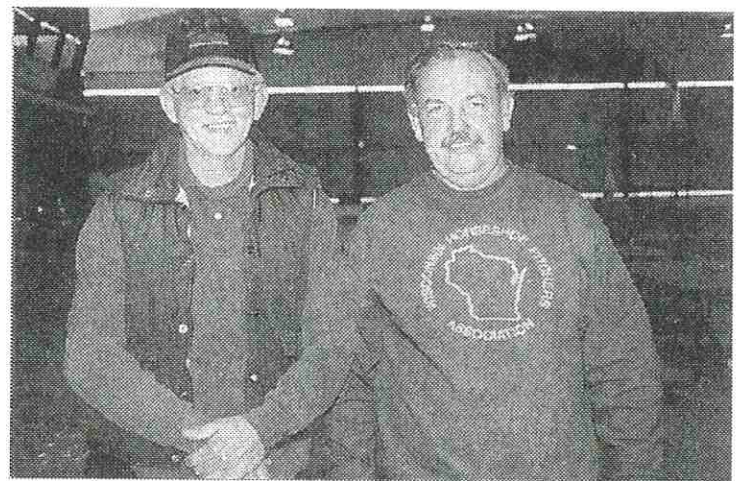
Class B Kerry Morris - Bill Spahn



Class C Jim O'Loughlin - Ray Groskinsky



Class D Dick Muhlenbeck - Ray Billen



Class E Larry McCutcheon - Tom Steinke

## Randy Rein, Gus Schram New Doubles Champs

*"The low end pair pitches first. The high end players then mark the score and pitch their 4 shoes."*

To begin the WHPA State Doubles all players watched a brief demonstration round narrated by John Secord. In the past three years Wisconsin pitchers have discovered new ways to pitch the infamous walking doubles, the horseshoe game that allows one to pitch his/her own shoes and exercise somewhat between innings. Some of the gang knew exactly how it goes, some knew part of how it goes, and some were taking the course for the first time. In spite of the brief instruction demo, players, who follow this routine just once a year, were still hesitant, always waiting for others to make the first move. If linked with a pair practiced in the nebulous art of walking doubles there was no problem but even some so called, accomplished pitchers, had some problems with the score-sheet. Experience at the local level would help.

Over all the doubles tournament wasn't bad - not great but not bad. Walkers liked it and it appears

from the "survey," conducted on the entry form, which many neglected to answer, that they actually prefer the walking!

The six team classes worked out as planned. The greater part of the crew was through by Noon (too soon?) but had to wait for play-offs.

John Udelhofen and Penny Steinke lost in an extra game to New State Champions Randy Rein and Gus Schram. Another class endured a 3-way play-off. Without consulting the clock, it seemed like 2:00 PM when the awards were completed but, except for a few diehards, only the winners were present - typical horseshoe pitchers display of apathy.

Where were the entries of the previous years? The disappointing turnout (see results) should be a lasting topic at the next state meeting.

Figuring that a doubles tournament percentage equates to about 2/3 of one's ability, helps to justify the reason for attending the party.

An old-timer was heard to say, "It was a nice dance but I couldn't hear the music."

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## LETTER from former pitcher turned bowler

Just to let you know, one of the things that really bothered me about horseshoes was the ongoing conflict with 30 versus 40 foot pitchers. I really felt like people were trying to close women out of the sport. I still contend that if I establish an average at 30 feet and you establish an average at 40 feet and we have the same average, we should be able to compete and no one should feel that I would have an unfair advantage. I know some people (including my loving husband) would argue that I do have an advantage, but I think those people just don't like being beat by a woman.

The world has changed and it will continue to change and one of the biggest changes is the role women play in the world. This includes the business world, the sports world, and home life. I am not a feminist, but I do want a fair shot and I feel if I work hard, I should get the same opportunities as men. Oh well, I do digress. My final thought is that I hope horseshoes can resolve this problem or the sport may suffer more than it already has.

Feel free to quote me on this if you think it may help horseshoes in anyway. You know, if this problem gets resolved, you never know, I may pick up a horseshoe again!

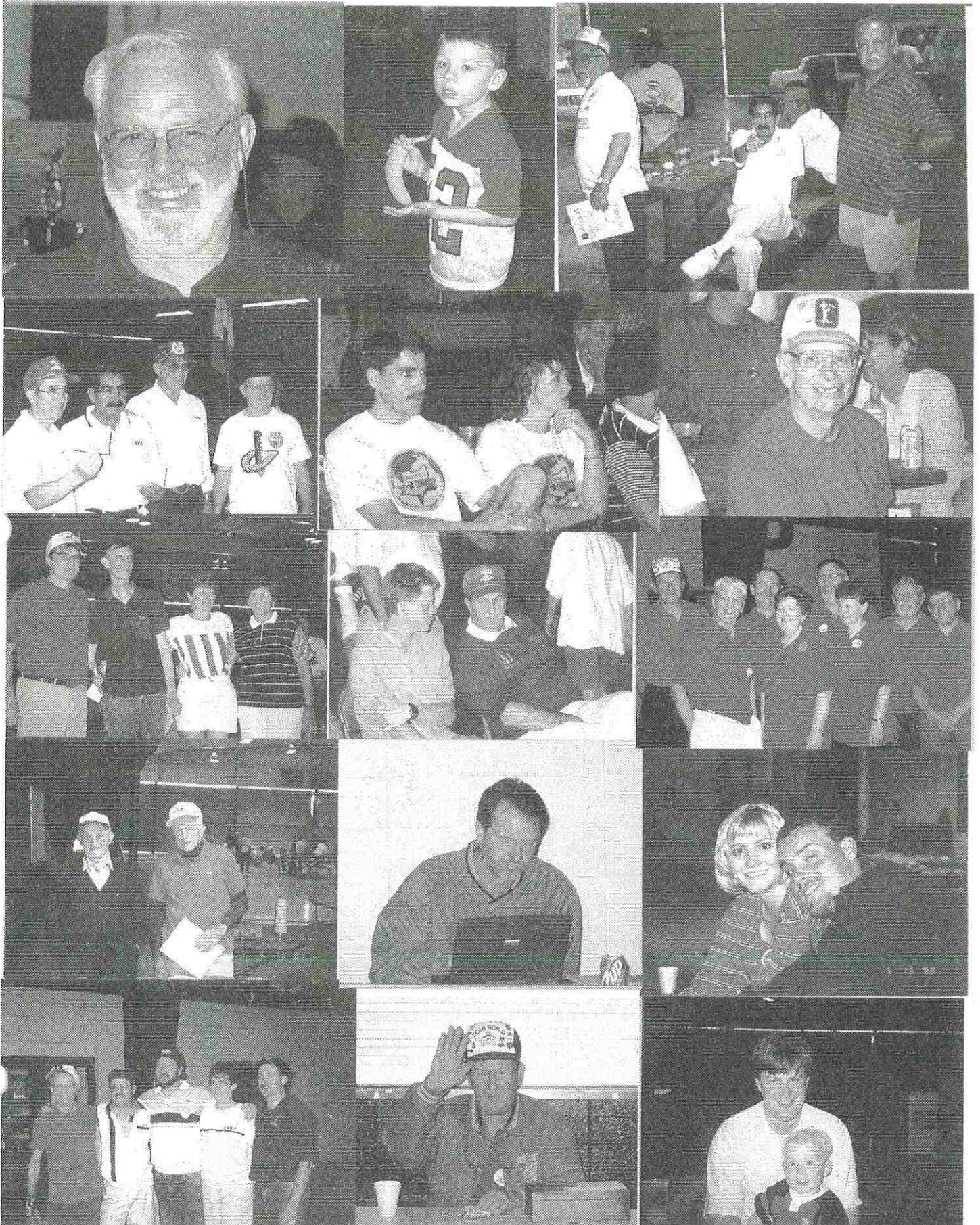
Your friend,

Carolyn (Stittleburg)

## THE OTHER SHOE

To: jimhaupt@AOL.com  
 Subj: Carolyn's playing priviledges  
 From: trappers@midplains.net (Douglas Stittleburg)  
 Jim,

I'm very sorry about the newsletter subscription but money is tight and I have decided to use that to purchase Carolyn a new bikini from Victoria Secret. I know you will miss her at the tournaments but I have made her promise to stop and see all of you on a warm day this summer. Doug



## TEAM WORLD 1999 - RESULTS

<b>1 OHIO</b>		72.92	<b>11 MINNESOTA-2</b>		59.24
Alan	Francis	86.07	Edi	Holland	63.42
Amy	Francis	72.38	Gerald	Stangland	62.50
Tina	Tonnous	75.48	Dan	Carlson	56.45
Bob	Garber	57.74	Lu	Cave	54.61
<b>2 MINNESOTA</b>		74.19	<b>12 ILLINOIS-2</b>		53.59
Bev	Nathe	79.88	Mike	McBride	45.89
Dale	Lipovsky	75.88	Charolette	Renick	67.24
Mark	Bauman	77.00	Mike	Knop	50.00
Phyllis	Negaard	64.00	Michelle	Thornton	43.50
<b>3 COLORADO</b>		69.08	<b>13 MISSOURI-2</b>		52.64
Rich	Pintor	68.10	Darwin	Compton	60.53
Dee	Powell	65.36	M O	Turner	59.61
Paul	LaCrosse	73.45	Ron	Hassler	55.53
Don	Wild	70.12	Joe	Karpel	26.73
<b>4 WISCONSIN-1</b>		68.13	<b>14 WISCONSIN-4</b>		46.74
Clayton	Gage	76.93	Cliff	Troullier	37.50
Randy	Rein	66.59	Dan	Bloom	51.94
Gert	Wilcziek	60.00	Lloyd	Johnson	46.75
Don	Kangas	67.50	Elaine	Troullier	49.87
John	Udelhofen	65.00	Phyllis	Davids	50.39
<b>5 ILLINOIS</b>		64.94	<b>15 ILLINOIS-3</b>		46.81
Steve	Denault	56.55	Tom	Reid	48.42
Larry	Knop	65.95	Ron	Hopman	43.82
Jerry	Dumstorff	69.05	Rich	Andrysiak	38.03
Charlie	Webb	68.21	Larry	Fettes	56.97
<b>6 ONTARIO</b>		66.71	<b>16 MISSOURI-4</b>		44.11
Sandy	Jassens	69.76	Jesse	Yount	34.34
Steve	Hohl	62.20	Robert	Outt	50.79
Stan	Leis	68.45	Jerry	Francis	24.50
Kevin	McLachlin	66.43	Terry	DeClue	32.14
<b>7 INDIANA</b>		63.52	Ken	Pogue	61.18
Warren	Woolsey	71.67	<b>17 WISCONSIN-2</b>		44.57
Chad	Hyatt	54.50	Ken	Kosky	31.94
Curly	Seibold	68.93	John	Koepp III	52.89
Mark	Seibold	70.00	Larry	Barber	52.37
<b>8 MICHIGAN</b>		65.92	Gus	Schram	42.63
Larry	Kemp	60.39	<b>18 IOWA-1</b>		48.55
Jim	Wiltse	68.82	Gordon	Eklund	36.97
Judy	Curtiss	71.05	Marv	Woolums	60.39
Jim	Norville	63.42	Larry	Purcell	54.21
<b>9 MISSOURI-1</b>		61.78	Betty	McGregor	42.63
Stan	Griggs	65.92	<b>19 MISSOURI-3</b>		37.11
Lou	Rector	65.92	Jerry	Griggs	30.39
Rose	Diekamp	57.00	Jim	Howard	48.16
Sam	Carter	58.68	Cal	Jaeger	52.24
Bob	Diekamp	45.89	Carol	Howard	17.63
<b>10 WISCONSIN -3</b>		57.96	<b>20 IOWA-2</b>		42.70
John	Crook	48.16	Bob	Block	46.45
Lorraine	Sternberg	72.63	Leo	Buell	42.50
Mer	Sorensen	56.05	LeRoy	Law	44.74
Harry	Nelson	55.00	Jim	Jackson	37.11

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1999 WISCONSIN STATE WALKING DOUBLES RESULTS

APRIL 25, 1999 SANCTION 28-99-007

TEAM	W	L	AVE	*****	SHOES	R%	RINGERS	*****	SHOES	R%	RINGERS		
CHAMPIONSHIP													
1	60.28%	5	1	280017	RANDY REIN	180	126	70.00% *	280094	GUS SCHRAM	180	91	50.56%
2	57.22%	4	2	280133	JOHN UDELHOFEN	180	109	60.56% *	280078	PENNY STEINKE	180	97	53.89%
3	55.33%	3	2	280203	STEVE WIEGERT	150	75	50.00% *	280376	MERWYN SORENSEN	150	91	60.67%
4	54.00%	2	3	280133	DON KANGAS	150	81	54.00% *	280193	JOHN KOEPP	150	81	54.00%
5	47.00%	2	3	280044	RALPH MAYLAHN	150	76	50.67% *	280113	TONY SCRIMA	150	65	43.33%
6	43.33%	0	5	280100	DON HOSTRUP	150	79	52.67% *	280101	IDA HOSTRUP	150	51	34.00%
* CLASS A													
1	43.89%	5	1	280137	TOM ENDLER	180	81	45.00% *	280240	LLOYD JOHNSON	180	77	42.78%
2	37.78%	4	2	280093	HARRY NELSON	180	82	45.56% *	280224	BILL HAGEN	180	54	30.00%
3	43.67%	3	2	280206	ELAINE TROULLIER	150	68	45.33% *	280159	CY SRENASKI	150	63	42.00%
4	37.08%	2	3	280082	KEN JAEGER	120	52	43.33% *	280131	BRIAN CONNELL	120	37	30.83%
5	34.00%	1	4	280060	RON LINGARD	150	55	36.67% *	280484	TOM COSTA SR	150	47	31.33%
6	29.17%	1	4	280001	DICK HANSEN	120	40	33.33% *	280058	CHUCK HANSEN	120	30	25.00%
* CLASS B													
1	42.33%	5	0	280032	BILL SPAHN	150	52	34.67% *	280713	KERRY MORRIS	150	75	50.00%
2	35.86%	4	1	280588	PHYLLIS DAVIDS	152	55	36.18% *	280336	ROXANNE SELISSEN	152	54	35.53%
3	35.33%	3	2	280536	PAT SPAHN	150	66	44.00% *	280152	DAVID KLIPSTEIN	150	40	26.67%
4	28.62%	2	3	280163	GENE SATTERSTROM	152	30	19.74% *	280003	JIM HAUPT	152	57	37.50%
5	28.33%	1	4	280002	JOHN SECORD	150	43	28.67% *	280420	JEFF SECORD	150	42	28.00%
6	27.00%	0	5	280018	KEN KOSKY	150	32	21.33% *	280145	ED HACK	150	49	32.67%
* CLASS C													
1	27.86%	5	2	280661	RAY GROSKINSKY	210	64	30.48% *	280507	JIM O'LOUGHLIN	210	53	25.24%
2	29.44%	3	3	280207	CLIFF TROULLIER	180	66	36.67% *	280160	WALLY SRENASKI	180	40	22.22%
3	23.89%	3	3	280063	EARL PAULSON	180	38	21.11% *	280067	RUSS BURNS	180	48	26.67%
4	26.67%	2	3	280065	RON BERG	150	43	28.67% *	280114	DAVE FORSETH	150	37	24.67%
5	26.00%	2	3	280037	RICHARD CONRAD	150	35	23.33% *	280033	HAROLD LAWS	150	43	28.67%
6	24.00%	2	3	280005	TERRY STERNBERG	150	31	20.67% *	280190	KEN DAVISON	150	41	27.33%
* CLASS D													
1	31.33%	5	0	280166	DICK MULLENBECK	150	42	28.00% *	280258	RAY BILLEN	150	52	34.67%
2	31.00%	4	1	280106	GREG HEHLING	150	54	36.00% *	280403	JOHN MILLS	150	39	26.00%
3	24.67%	3	2	280157	BRUCE MCLINN	150	39	26.00% *	280182	MIKE ROUSSEAU	150	35	23.33%
4	24.33%	1	4	280532	CARL SCHLIEM	150	34	22.67% *	280583	ROWEN SWICK	150	39	26.00%
5	21.33%	1	4	280553	TOM HANSON	150	24	16.00% *	280475	GARY RACKOW	150	40	26.67%
6	21.00%	1	4	280169	PAUL WILSON	150	28	18.67% *	280218	NATE JOHNSTON	150	35	23.33%
* CLASS E													
1	17.50%	5	1	280076	TOM STEINKE	180	45	25.00% *	280074	LARRY McCUTCHEON	180	18	10.00%
2	18.06%	4	2	280476	DUANE GROSSEN	180	52	28.89% *	280266	HOWARD MCKEE	180	13	7.22%
3	20.67%	3	2	280623	TRACY PANKHURST	150	42	28.00% *	280069	AL SCHLIEM	150	20	13.33%
4	19.00%	2	3	280244	ROB PANKHURST	150	33	22.00% *	280117	KIP GUSNER	150	24	16.00%
5	17.11%	1	4	280233	JOE ZOROMSKI	152	29	19.08% *	280294	JACK STATEMA	152	23	15.13%
6	9.21%	1	4	280066	GEORGE KUFFER	152	14	9.21% *	280435	ED HAAKINSON	152	14	9.21%

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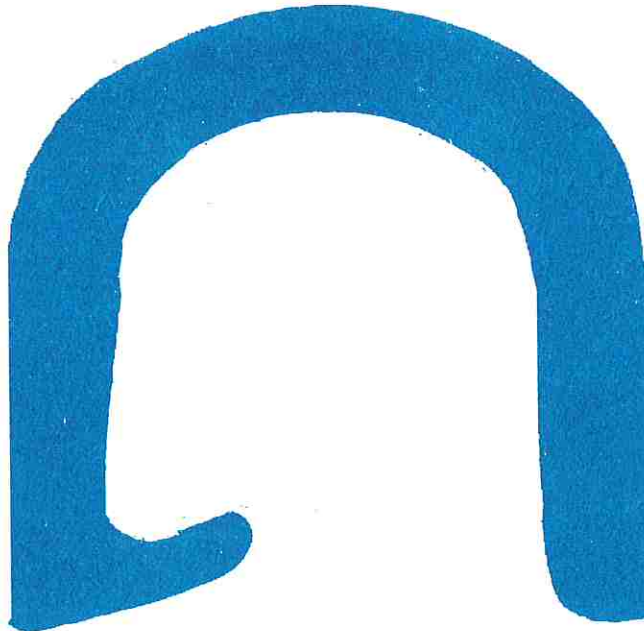


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