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## Doubles and Club Team in Beloit

Spring comes first to our Southern exposures and the Beloit horseshoe courts are no exception. The Beloit guys after all their recent construction still face the annual set-up maneuvers for Team World. We then enjoy the results for our other events like Club Team, The Doubles, and the Encore.

This year opening weekend was cool as expected but not that bad—great sweatshirt weather.

Club Team had an excess of entries leading to three shifts of pitching. The tournament director made things interesting by neglecting to pass out class rosters as usual. Round robin cards hastily put into the hands of each captain saved the day.

One of these years we hope to get everything right with the world and a more enjoyable event.

As it was, we saved some monies (\$144) as a donation to the NHPF. Paid out \$160 for first place, \$120

for second, \$80 for third and included 4th place for \$24. All places were included in the distribution of



Gert & Ron Wilcziek  
2004 WI State Doubles Champions

TW raffle tickets. Each pitcher received one ticket, it being the only prize for 5th and 6th.

The Champions of 2003, Close Doesn't Count, repeated and have

the dubious chore of engraving their names on a full trophy. We hope they come up with an alternative. The other three "Muhlenbeck Trophies" were reassigned. "B" was claimed by some of the same pitchers



2004 Club Team Champions  
Don, Sue, Clayton, Edie

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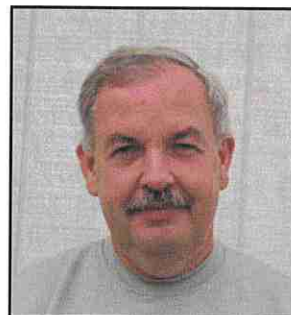
## Coming Events

<b>MAY 14-15-16 TEAM-WORLD</b>	<b>\$200</b>
Earl Paulson 7105 S Co Hwy H, Beloit, WI 53511 608-879-2304	<b>28-04-020</b> D/L 4-15
<b>May 15 Busting Loose Arena</b>	<b>\$18</b>
Eddie Wheeler W9070 Cty Hwy K, Lodi, WI 53555 608-592-4424	<b>28-04-021</b> D/L 5-1
<b>May 29-30 Platteville Spring Singles</b>	<b>\$16</b>
Norm Mauthe 865 Eastman St. Platteville, WI 53818 608-348-9697	<b>28-04-022</b> D/L 5-15
<b>June 6 Eau Claire Open</b>	<b>\$15</b>
Wayne Totten 2926 Kohlhepp Rd. Eau Claire WI 54703 715-858-9470	<b>28-04-024</b> D/L 5-22
<b>June 12-13 Eagle River Open Limit-32</b>	<b>\$15</b>
Larry Barber 2847 Greenbass Rd. Rhinelander, WI 54501 715-282-5715	<b>28-04-025</b> D/L 5-29
<b>June 12-13 Beloit Spring Singles</b>	<b>\$15</b>
Earl Paulson 7105 S Cty Hwy H, Beloit, WI 53511 608-879-2304	<b>28-04-026</b> D/L 5-29
<b>June 19 Marshfield Open</b>	<b>\$15</b>
Dan David 282 Rangeline Rd. Auburndale, WI 54412 715-384-3612	<b>28-04-027</b> D/L 6-5
<b>June 19-20 WinnebagoLand 3 Man Team</b>	<b>\$42/ team</b>
Jeff Secord 615 Western Ave. Fond du Lac, WI 54935 920-924-1521	<b>28-04-028</b> D/L 5-31
3 Adult Players Cap 125% Limit 20 Teams	
<b>June 26 Windy Hill Open Limit-48</b>	<b>\$15</b>
Ed Hack 3501 Wildwood Ln. Wausau, WI 54401 715-842-0150	<b>28-04-029</b> D/L 6-12
<b>June 26-27 Goldendale Open</b>	<b>\$15</b>
Terry Sternberg W206N13520 Woodside Lane Richfield, WI 53076 262-677-3300	<b>28-04-030</b> D/L 6-12

**KEY:** Bold print date indicates WHPA approved event.

Note: Some WHPA approved events are unsanctioned.

Call, 414-964-2735 for free listing in this column.



## The President's Column

For those of you who have not dusted off your horseshoes this winter, it's time! This is the best time of the year. Leagues are starting soon, and outside tournaments too. Call up one of your old friends and see if they are ready to start playing again. Horseshoe pitching is fairly inexpensive and good for your health.

I would like to thank Glenda and Dave Volz for doing all the research in finding a place for the WHPA to hold the Fall Meeting this October. It will be at the Delton Sportsmen's Club in Lake Delton, off exit 89. We look forward to testing out this new location in the fall.

If you attended the spring meeting, you learned of the new WHPA bulletin, starting up soon. I've set up an email (with a lot of help from my daughter Pam) which will serve as a quick news source. For example, if you have any news you need to get out: births, deaths, illness, or you are running a tournament and are looking for a pitcher to fill in, send a request to [whpa\\_bulletin@hotmail.com](mailto:whpa_bulletin@hotmail.com), and your message will be re-broadcast to everyone signed up to receive the bulletin. This service is meant to be a supplement to your award-winning WHNL and other horseshoe online resources.

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Check your tournament schedules. If you plan to go to the World tournament and have four tournaments in, the deadline is May 20th.

Good Pitching, Tom

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# 2004 State Doubles Championships

Place	W	L	CHAMPIONSHIP		
1	5	0	61.00	74.00 GERT WILCZIEK	48.00 RON WILCZIEK
2	3	2	51.33	57.33 PENNY STEINKE	45.33 HAROLD LAWS
3	3	2	48.00	53.33 MARK STEVENS	42.67 DON KANGAS
4	2.5	2.5	45.00	44.00 DEB HALVORSON	46.00 DAVE SCHORBAHN
5	1.5	3.5	37.00	24.00 EDIE MCKINNEY	50.00 SUE HELENE
6	0	5	28.00	13.33 LORRAINE STERNBERG	42.67 JOHN CROOK
CLASS A					
**1	5	1	51.67	62.22 PAM AIKEN	41.11 TONY SCRIMA
**2	4	2	45.28	60.55 CLAYTON GAGE	30.00 IDA HOSTRUP
3	3	2	46.00	46.67 TOM ENDLER	45.33 JEFF GUSTAFSON
4	3	2	40.00	40.00 NORB FUHRMAN	40.00 MER SORENSEN
5	1	4	32.33	35.33 DON HOSTRUP	29.33 PUDGE DAHL
6	0	5	20.67	18.67 CHET HERMANSEN	22.67 TOM COSTA SR
CLASS B					
1	4	1	36.67	32.67 LEROY MEYER	40.67 BILL MATEY
2	3	2	38.34	40.67 KEN FRAME	36.00 BERNARD COCKROFT
3	3	2	35.00	46.00 PAUL WILSON	24.00 NORM BECKIUS
4	2	3	39.67	50.00 KEN HEINRITZ	29.33 NATHAN HEINRITZ
5	2	3	37.00	36.00 DON BURMEISTER	38.00 EMIL BLAIR
6	1	4	36.33	43.33 ARNIE WALTON	29.33 ED WHEELER
CLASS C					
**1	5	1	30.71	29.52 KERRY MORRIS	31.90 STEVE KULOW
**2	4	3	20.23	22.85 RUEBEN ECKARDT	17.61 EDWARD HACK
**3	3	3	26.11	38.33 BERNARD CARLEY	13.88 PHIL HAAS
**4	3	3	26.28	33.67 GREG HEHLING	18.89 DAN MEINDEL
5	2	3	18.00	15.33 SYLVIA DAVID	20.67 SONIA COOK
6	1	4	23.67	28.66 ELAINE TROULLIER	18.67 CLIFF TROULLIER
CLASS D					
1	4.5	0.5	36.34	38.00 DICK HANSEN	34.67 DAVID HANSEN
2	3.5	1.5	27.67	38.00 HARRY NELSON	17.33 BILL HAGEN
3	3	2	28.67	30.67 JOHN SECORD	26.67 PETE KUMLIEN
4	3	2	25.34	32.00 JANE HARTMAN	18.67 CHRIS HUMPHREY
5	1	4	24.34	32.00 EARL PAULSON	16.67 RUSS BURNS
6	0	5	18.34	24.00 TERRY STERNBERG	12.67 STEVE SIMONZ
CLASS E					
**1	5	1	31.67	33.33 RICH BROWER	30.00 MIKE LANGE
**2	4	2	31.67	28.33 RUSS HEINRITZ	35.00 ROGER HEINRITZ
3	3	2	28.33	37.33 GALEN KOZEL	19.33 TOM STEINKE
4	2	3	22.33	28.00 RON BERG	16.66 JIM HAUPT
5	1	4	24.33	20.66 AL HOLLOWAY	28.00 DAVE VOLZ
6	1	4	21.00	19.33 AUGIE POTTER	22.66 GORDY POTTER
CLASS F					
1	5	0	29.00	30.00 BEN HEINRITZ	28.00 RANDY HEINRITZ
2	4	1	19.99	26.67 RON BALSIGER	13.30 GREG HIGHSTROM
3	2	3	21.67	32.00 GLENN BOGENSCHNEI-	11.33 DON PEROUTKA
4	2	3	18.00	22.00 ROWEN SWICK	14.00 CARL SCHLIEM
5	1	4	19.65	22.00 WES PODVIN	17.30 ED BONEBRIGHT
6	1	4	19.00	28.00 DAVE WIETRZAK	10.00 JIM UHLENHAKE
CLASS G					
1	5	0	25.66	28.66 WILLIS DAVID	22.66 DAN DAVID
2	4	1	27.00	30.66 DENNIS HARTMAN	23.33 SCOTT MUHLENBECK
3	2	3	21.00	16.00 IVAN RUZIC	26.00 JASON MAKI
4	2	3	18.67	27.33 JIM JAKEL	10.00 RON TRUMAN
5	2	3	16.00	20.00 BRUCE McLINN	12.00 DAVE WILSON
6	0	5	10.66	12.66 DAN SCHULZ	8.66 BILL STECKBAUER

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from Beloit. "C" returned by Green Bay went to Kenosha -2.. Burlington gave up their rights to a new team from Milwaukee's Washington Park.

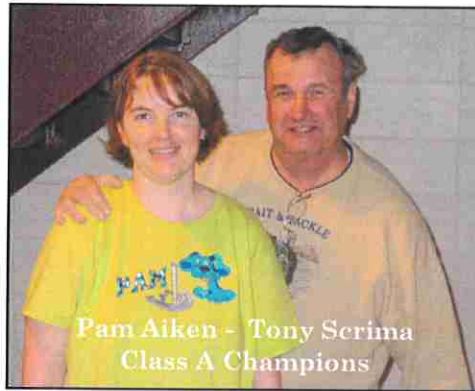
Looking over the returning game results, it is evident that the best way to win is not to lose. For the Champions, Clayton Gage, Edi McKinney and Sue Helene all had perfect records of 5/0. Don Hostrup also played every game. For Washington Park, Donny Burmeister, Ray Lopez and Milt Larsen were perfect for the day. Club President, John Leskovar became a WHPA member for the occasion.

Every pitcher is in some way indebted to what we commonly call "the guys of Beloit." Certainly including every pitcher who made the spring pilgrimage to Beloit.

WHPA doubles pitchers, although not as many, seemed to enjoy this year's version more than in other years. Personally, we did not hear even one discouraging word regarding the walking format.

True to tradition Wisconsin found another new pair of pitchers to wear the doubles crown Gert Wilcziek and her manager, Ron did the job this time.

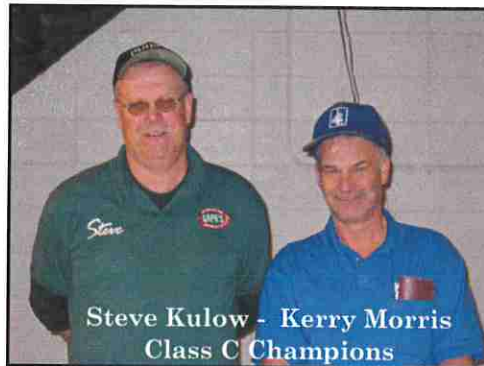
Some Wisconsin pitchers saw it coming when Ron moved up a step and began to benefit from it, even to the point of occasionally besting Gert.



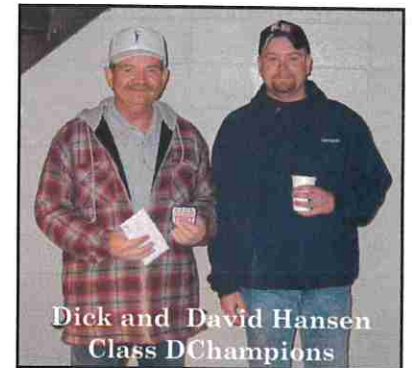
Pam Aiken - Tony Scrima  
Class A Champions



Bill Matey - Lee Meyer  
Class B Champions



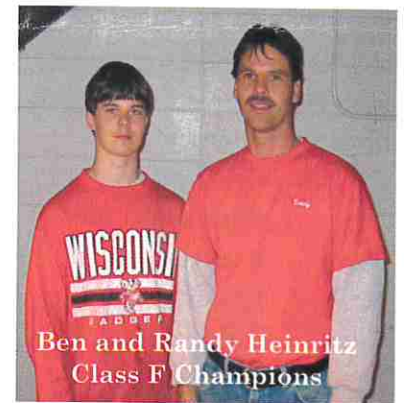
Steve Kulow - Kerry Morris  
Class C Champions



Dick and David Hansen  
Class D Champions



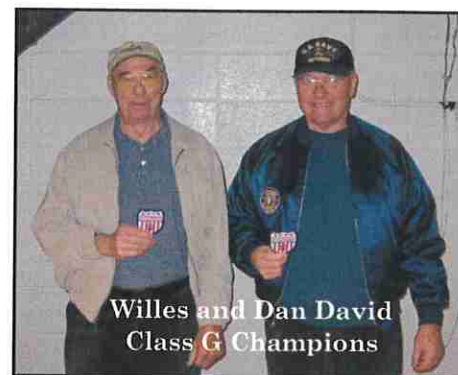
Rich Brower - Mike Lange  
Class E Champions



Ben and Randy Heinritz  
Class F Champions



Don Kangas - Mark Stevens  
Doubles partners. They didn't win but  
I'm sure they had a good time.



Willes and Dan David  
Class G Champions

**Class A CXC Champ**

Clayton	Gage	5/0	65.60
Edi	McKinney	5/0	48.40
Sue	Helene	5/0	57.60
Don	Hostrup	1/4	36.40

**Eau Claire 2nd**

Gert	Wilcziek	5/0	76.00
Debby	Halvorson	3/2	53.20
Dave	Schorbahn	4/1	44.00
Ron	Wilcziek	1/0	54.80

**Deansville 3rd**

Jim	Larson	2/3	44.00
Al	Huizenga	3/2	44.00
Gerald	Weikert	4.5/1.5	40.40
Dan	Illigan	2/3	41.60

**Beloit 1 4th**

Harold	Laws	3/2	57.60
Paul	Wilson	3/2	48.00
Red	Ferguson	1.5/3.5	42.80
Glenn	Wicklund	3.5/1.5	54.40

**Sandbagger 1 5th**

John	Crook	1/4	42.40
Bernard	Carley	0/5	40.40
Ken	Frame	2/3	41.60
Bernard	Cockroft	1/4	41.60

**Kenosha 1 6th**

Tom	Endler	0/5	44.00
Harry	Nelson	0/5	28.40
Evert	Stewart	3/0	48.40
Hi	Chaffin	.5/4.5	35.20

**Class B Beloit 2 1st**

Jeff	Gustafson	3/2	33.60
Carlton	Rittweger	3/2	26.40
Bud	Hammer	3.5/1.5	41.60
Joe	Garza	3/2	46.40

**Muskego 2nd**

Penny	Steinke	5/0	57.60
Pam	Aiken	5/0	60.40
Galen	Kozel	1/4	36.40
Tom	Steinke	1/4	14.80

**Comb Locks 1 3rd**

Norb	Fuhrman	4/1	46.80
Elaine	Troullier	2/3	36.80
Mer	Sorensen	4/1	42.40
Cliff	Troullier	0/5	18.40

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**Goldendale 1 4th**

Lorraine	Sternberg	4/1	36.80
Tom	Costa	0/5	12.80
Terry	Sternberg	2/3	27.20
Wes	Podvin	4/1	36.00

**Green Bay 5th**

Steve	Wiegert	4/1	49.20
Steve	Mielke	3/2	32.40
Joe	Felton	3/2	37.20
Kim	Felton	0/5	25.60

**Deansville 2 6th**

Chet	Hermansen	0/5	24.00
John	Carlin	1.5/3.5	35.60
John	Gregorich	3/2	40.40
Kerry	Morris	3/2	36.40

**Class C Kenosha 2 1st**

Linda	Johnson	3.5/1.5	37.60
Debbie	Marshall	3/2	31.20
Jane	Hartman	4/1	44.80
Chris	Humphrey	4/1	36.40

**Com Locks 2 2nd**

Leroy	Meyer	5/0	44.00
Bill	Matey	3/2	34.80
Jerry	Kamps	2/3	28.40
Dave	Hanold	2/3	26.80

**Beloit 3 3rd**

Dan	Lessman	2.5/2.5	34.40
Earl	Paulson	2/3	37.20
Don	Goldsmith	0/5	30.40
Joe	Annoreno	4/1	25.20

**Adams Co 4th**

Ray	Groskinsky	3/2	36.80
Gerald	Schroeder	2.5/2.5	35.20
Ron	Balsiger	1/4	32.00
Dan	Williams	2/3	25.20

**Windy Hill 1 5th**

Red	Eckhardt	1/4	27.20
Greg	Hehling	2/3	35.20
Dan	Meindel	3/2	28.00
Ed	Hack	1/4	0.80

**Deansville 3 6th**

Bill	Dahmen	0/5	10.80
Rudy	Van Fleet	3.5/1.5	40.00
Leo	Richter	3/2	32.40
Steve	Kulow	1/4	28.00

CLUB TEAM 2004

<b>Class D Washington Park 1st</b>			
Don	Burmeister	5/0	51.20
Ray	Lopez	5/0	41.20
Milt	Larsen	5/0	37.20
John	Leskovar	1/5	12.40
<b>Meno Falls 1 2nd</b>			
Ken	Heinritz	4/1	48.00
Roger	Heinritz	4/1	41.20
Russ	Heinritz	4/1	35.20
Kyle	Heinritz	0/5	10.40
<b>Burlington 3rd</b>			
Augie	Potter	1.5/3.5	22.80
Mike	Lange	1/4	24.00
Bruce	Tratera	2/3	26.00
Gordy	Potter	4/1	27.60
<b>Deansville 4 4th</b>			
Dave	Miller	2/3	30.80
Ed	Mell	2/3	24.80
Kevin	Brekke	2/3	25.20
Stan	Kuehn	2/3	21.60
<b>Marshfield 1 5th</b>			
Vince	Jakel	3/2	31.20
Bob	Gregorich	3/2	26.80
John	VanDyk	2/3	23.60
Nicloe	Riehle	0/5	14.00
<b>Beloit 4 6th</b>			
Rowen	Swick	3/2	25.60
Bruce	McLinn	2/3	14.80
Verne	Roesslein	1.5/3.5	12.00
Russ	Burns	1/4	19.60
<b>Class E Marshfield 2 1st</b>			
Sylvia	David	1/4	20.40
Sonia	Cook	3/2	28.00
Willis	David	4/1	27.20
Dan	David	5/0	22.40
<b>Kenosha 3 2nd</b>			
Rich	Brower	4/1	33.60
Ron	Wietrzak	4/1	33.60
Cindy	Hyatt	1/4	16.80
Wayne	Nelson	2/3	16.00
<b>Kewaskum 3rd</b>			
Glenn	Bogenschneider	5/0	40.80
Dan	Schulz	2/3	24.00
Rob	Struebing	3/2	16.80
Bill	Stechbauer	1/4	16.00

<b>Windy Hill 2 4th</b>			
Ed	Hack	3/2	23.60
Mike	Stanke	0/5	9.60
Keith	Stanke	4/1	32.00
Jim	Jakel	3/2	18.80
<b>Beloit 5 5th</b>			
Ken	Hopp	1/4	18.00
Matt	Ramsdell	1/4	22.80
Karen	Kesun	4/1	30.40
Bob	Fritz	2/3	16.80
<b>Sandbagger 2 6th</b>			
Ron	Berg	4/1	30.00
Tony	Haas	2/3	19.20
Phil	Haas	0/5	13.20
Dan	Nalepinski	1/5	10.40
<b>Class F Beloit 6 1st</b>			
Jim	Huckabee	3.5/1.	20.40
Dave	Wilson	4/1	15.60
Wayne	Goers	2/3	18.80
Estle	Beaver	3/2	14.40
<b>Skippy's 2nd</b>			
Dave	Balsiger	4/1	25.60
Dale	Gierach	3/2	18.80
Ken	Scheosow	4/1	22.80
Duane	Balsiger	1/4	14.00
<b>Meno Falls 2 3rd</b>			
Nathan	Heinritz	4/1	28.40
Ben	Heinritz	1/5	14.00
Randy	Heinritz	3/2	25.20
Roger	Sundsmo	1/4	11.60
<b>Kenosha 4 4th</b>			
Jim	Ulenhake	2/3	18.80
Wayne	Wisnefski	2/3	14.00
Greg	Bergles	2/3	0.80
Don	Peroutka	3/2	10.40
<b>Windy Hill 3 5th</b>			
Ivan	Ruzic	0/5	7.60
Jim	Sherman	1.5/3.	9.80
Jason	Maki	2/3	20.80
Ron	Truman	3/2	10.40
<b>Goldendale 2 6th</b>			
Pete	Kumlien	5/0**	26.00
Jim	Haupt	2/3	11.20
Tom	McTavish	0/5	10.00
Wes	Podvin	4/1	15.60

## Down and Back

With Jim Haupt

Recently a news article described how little the AFL-NFL regard the rage in end zone celebrations. Big money fines will make it a thing of the past.

Horseshoes should see the writing on the wall. This should not go on the convention floor. A simple reminder to Hall of Fame inductees could be addressed, "Edi, there will be no booty shaking when hanging your plaque."

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The Beloit Horseshoe Club has been appointed as the horseshoe dealer for Southern WI and Northern IL. It's really a no-brainer according to Ken Kosky the NHPA's Game Related Sales National Buyer. There are by far more horseshoe pitchers that attend tournaments and pitch in leagues at the Beloit facilities, during the year, than anywhere else in the area. They were an obvious choice.

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## Wisconsin State Fair

Ten years ago we contacted the Wisconsin State Fair regarding horseshoes to determine if there was any interest in hosting an event.

Suddenly this year, they called us. I think that Rudy Van Fleet, who has been a State Fair worker for over twenty years was the key to the door. Brian Bolan, Director

of Agriculture has a dad Joe, who works out with Rudy once in a while. Another plus is that Mary Beth Carr, Special Projects Director is positively acquainted with Rudy Van Fleet.

I tried to tell them of the formidable role the Fair Park formerly played in Wisconsin State Horseshoes, the official name of the day.

While the Fair itself appears to be too busy a time for horseshoes, other times are available. First choice for one them would be the Harvest Fair, this year the 25th of September. Presently it's the date of the Beloit Doubles.

The Harvest Fair is free to the public but parking is \$5. With a pre-register tournament they mentioned they could arrange for parking passes.

We looked over four possible court sites. One is East of the track and could be "park like". The others are within the concession packed fairgrounds, some indoors.

Accessibility would be of top concern now and at other periods throughout the season.

What I liked about the meeting was genuine interest shown. What I would like to see come of their interest is a set courts open to the use of the public, and a home for a club who could in turn conduct a tournament occasionally.

## Beloit Encore

The Beloit Encore was held on May 1 & 2. No story was submitted so you will have to check out the results to find out who did well.

### Class A

Dennis Reid	6/1	62.86
Robert Schaver	6/1	61.07
Randy Rein	5/2	62.14

### Class B

Glenn Wicklund	6/1	50.36
Don Burmeister	5/2	49.29
Paul Wilson	4/3	50.00

### Class C

Larry Farris	5.5/5.1	45.71
Julian Tijerina	5.5/1.5	38.93
Tom Reid	5/2	45.36

### Class D

Jesse Garza	9/0	59.26
LukeThompson	6/3	35.19
Pete Kumlien	5/4	31.48

### Class E

Linda Hycnar	5/2	36.43
Jerry Schroeder	5/2	35.00
Roger Doering	5/2	32.86

### Class F

Marv Robers	6/1	38.93
Joseph Manna	5/2	35.36
Dave Amorose	5/2	31.07

### Class G

Wes Podvin	7/0	32.50
Randy Elder	4/3	32.50
Joe Annoreno	4/3	28.21

### Class H

Mike Rousseau	6/1	30.36
John Mills	4.5/2.5	29.29
Gary Schwabe	4/3	32.14

### Class I

Joel Ramsdell	8/1	27.04
Tim Fisher	6/3	27.41
Dave Hall	5/5.3.5	21.85

### Class J

Tony Elder	6.5/1.5	28.33
Sue Lange	6/2	3125
Dan David	4.5/3.5	24.58

### Class K

Randy Kilian	6/1	21.79
Jim Huckabee	5/2	23.21
Ron Fritz	5/2	18.21

### Class L

Wayne Goers	6/1	20.71
Jim Mazan	6/1	19.64
Chuck Wells	5/2	22.50



## Horseshoes in Iraq



### Combat Horseshoes

Casey Sluys, NHPA 2nd V.P., was recently contacted by one of our soldiers serving in Iraq. He was asked about how to set up a horseshoes court. One thing led to another and Casey contacted NHPA Games Related Sales about sending some horseshoes and other materials to Iraq. Game Related Sales promptly donated a set of American horseshoes along with a book, some bumper stickers, and horseshoe pins and they were sent to Iraq. The photos on this page are some that were sent to Casey via email, showing their courts and take a close look at the pictures and see what they were throwing before the real horseshoes arrived.

They were extremely pleased with their gifts.

“The game of ‘Combat Shoes’ can now begin” says Keith Lee. (somewhere in Iraq)



## Spring Meeting 2004

New president, Tom Steinke wasted no time instituting new programs. He introduced VP Jane Smith who explained the new parameters of the Pitcher of the Year program that she has been riding herd over.



In order to open up the award possibilities to the rank and file, three categories of pitchers will be considered. The "A" group will be those over 50%. "B" takes it down to 35%, and "C" covers the rest. The year end average published in January will determine the group assignment for each pitcher for the entire year up to the time of the State Tournament. Points earned for placing first, second, and third in any sanctioned tournament will remain the same. Point totals and competition for same will be limited to the group, A, B, or C.

With the award for most improved we will now have four individual POY awards each year.

Terry Sternberg asked Norm Mauthe to bring the State Tournament plans up to date. Mauthe explained that the Platteville park commission was waiting for spring to install lights, three more courts, and necessary landscaping. More decisions will be made and available after the club meeting of April, 20th.

Sternberg told of the traffic on the WHPA web site, 146 hits last month from far away places.

Incoming VP, Sonia Cook announced the Scholarship Fund balance at \$6050. She proposed a plan for an ongoing state raffle to benefit the Fund. The goal of which would be to replace the

\$900 yearly award total. It is hoped that prizes would come as donations from individuals and clubs. It was agreed that the WHPA would sponsor the seed money of \$200 this year and perhaps into the future if the raffle venture is successful

as planned.

Lorraine Sternberg, NHPA coordinator of the Sanctioned League program, told of two NHPA scholarship awards for academic excellence that went to juniors from Wisconsin. Six NHPA scholarship awards were made in total.

Due to professional pressure, Heidi Poppe has given up her NHPA Junior Coordinator duties. She has been replaced by Jackie Hughes of Minnesota

Dick Hansen, NHPA Sec-Treas. Congratulated Heidi Poppe on her recent letter published in Newsline, the NHPA Horseshoe Pitcher's magazine. He felt it was one of the best he has ever seen in Newsline. Hansen would be glad to accept subscriptions to the magazine addressed to him.

The latest traffic in 2006 World Tournament sites seems to be between Louisville, KY and Des Moines, IA. Hansen restated that the World this year is in Pocatello, Idaho, next year in Bakersfield, CA.

Tom Steinke pointed out that we are fortunate to have a corner on the market, an inside look to the NHPA provided by our own NHPA representatives, three in number, Dick Hansen, the Sec-Treas, Lorraine Sternberg, 3rd VP, and now Ken Kosky, the national buyer and distributor of game related sales.

New NHPA Regional Director, Ken Jaeger passed out sanction certificates and NHPA patches asking tournament directors to renew their tournament dates for next year as soon as this year's event is history.

Jane Smith filled in for Edie McKinney announcing the 2004 HOF inductee. No wonder, Its Edie herself! Smith noted that her good friend Edie has been a great ambassador for the WHPA. The full induction ceremony will take place at the State Tournament and the plaque hanging will be at the 2005 Club Team tournament in Beloit, Home of the HOF

Proposals to be considered as rule changes were published by the president last issue.

Submitted by Pam Aiken was the proposal to add another sanction number to our own state tournament to allow people moving up in class, actually pitching two classes, to have it recorded as another event. It passed the membership without opposition.

The second proposal to allow the option of 40 shoe games at the State Tournament was changed to make 40 shoe games the rule for the next two years in trial to be reconsidered in the proposed time. That too was readily accepted by the membership.

Bun Carley spoke in favor of an Arena State Tournament in the year 2005 in conjunction with the Deansville club saying that now

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## Friends We'll Miss

Jim,

I saw in the newsletter that Harold Bestul passed away. I was taken back a little, as Harold was my mentor in the sport I have loved these past 31 years. I was on his bar team for over 20 years, and he would take me to tournaments before I even joined them. He was always picking me up and going to some tournament. His family farm and the Brekke family farm were only a few miles apart, and I have cousins that were his neighbors, and would hear the nightly 'clink' of the horseshoes. Harold was a "horseshoe gem", for all those who knew him, and will be missed by me...

Many a day we would go to Bill Hildebrand's 'tin lizzy', and play in the winter time. I was fortunate to have the bar leagues only a block away, we lived downtown Rosholt those days, and Harold was the local legend. I remember him giving me a lesson one day, and his advice "watch me".. I was blessed to

have "watched" Harold many years.

Thank you for the nice write up in the newsletter.

Ringers to you,

Kevin Brekk

### "Mikie" Zeisse

#### Died Apr 2, 2004

Never knew Hank's wife by any other name than "Mikie." Even before she was limited in her movements due to a stroke, she was a constant companion to Hank at many horseshoe tournaments throughout the state. We got to know her pleasant personality and it was not easy to see her debilitated for the last few years.

Our deepest sympathy to Hank and the Zeisse family.

## New Members in 2004

JACK AMOROSE	ARGYLE	CARY McMAHON	CAMPBELLSPORT
CURTIS BRUGER	WEST BEND	JEFF MICHELS	MEQUON
TONY BRUGER	ALLENTON	GEORGE MORAZA	FRANKLIN
DAN CRAFT	MARSHFIELD	SCOTT PARKHURST	RACINE
CLIFF ERICKSON	EAGLE RIVER	JIM PARRISH	KENOSHA
CLIFF FREDRICKSON	AMERY	JAMES SHERMAN	WAUSAU
KYLE HEINRITZ	WAUKESHA	CAILTIN SIMONZ	JACKSON
DON ILLIGAN	DEERFIELD	PERRY STEWART	FALL CREEK
DOUGLAS JOHNSON	ELEVA	DILLIAN STOKES	EAU CLAIRE
NOLAN JOHNSON	WHITEHALL	ROGER SUNDSMO	JACKSON
SCOT JOHNSON	ELEVA	CRAIG TARINI 102	EAU CLAIRE
JOHN KIEFER	WEST BEND	TODD TIFFANY	WHITEHALL
JOHN LESKOVAR	MILWAUKEE	TODD TWOREK	EAU CLAIRE
JOEL LEVANDOWSKI	EAU CLAIRE	KEITH WHITE	RACINE

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that the Sandbaggers have actually purchased their outdoor courts, they are trying to pick up a couple of bucks and appreciate the opportunity to host.

Earl Paulson offered the Beloit club and grounds, indoor and out if necessary.

The vote of the 36 members in attendance was 24 to 12 in favor of Beloit.

Newsletter guy, Jim Haupt, offered free copies to anybody who may wish to get another pitcher interested. Contact Jim Haupt or Ken Kosky with address for prospective subscribers.

With the recent flip flop of meeting sites, the center of the state has become of interest. Pam Aiken plotted the teepees of 500 WHPA members. Chris Aiken then programmed the center of the membership. It turns out to be an X marks

the spot, looks like an abandoned deer stand in or around Mauston. Dave Volz offered a meeting place close to X marks the spot and the board jumped on it. The fall meeting (October 16) will be at the Delton Sportsman club at Lake Delton, exit 89.

Tom Steinke offered to host a WHPA bulletin board, an email service similar to Burly's good and bad news emails to large groups. No jokes, Steinke says but if you need a couple of pitchers to fill a class or need to get out an instant message to all WHPA ers-who are listening, this may be an opportunity. Send Tom a message, "I'm on your list" for instant WHPA bulletins, to:

**tomsteinke2004@hotmail.com**

Bun Carley complains that if he is lucky and happens to tie another pitcher in games won and lost in his A class, he sure hates losing because of an ,almost sure in his case,

lower ringer percentage. He suggests a playoff of some sort even if it is an abbreviated game of lesser shoes, like down and back maybe. I guess we can expect play-offs in Carley's events.

Norm Mauthe brought a Platteville scoreboard along to illustrate how they keep the score in their tournaments—total score accumulates on the wheel, ringer count goes under the magnet. He believes it to be spectator friendly showing predominately the full score. The idea was put forth: If you don't like the method, don't enter. Just don't rag on their method.

So after two hours Tom Steinke's maiden voyage as WHPA meeting director was over without mishap, and looking clearly ahead.

## The Why Not

Pitchers are getting the message that they are more than welcome at the Sandbar. Five classes showed up for the "Why Not and while the bar is dark, the court area is going with their own bar.

Hey catch this! Ken Frame is not the A class doormat any longer as he collects his first Tournament Champion award.

Bun Carley and the B boys must be playing defense. Entire B class outclassed by C.

Class A		
Ken Frame	4.5/1.5	52.08
Mark Mauthe	4/2	57.50
Don Burmeister	4/2	52.50
Class B		
Bun Carley	5/1	35.42
Ray Groskinsky	4/2	36.67
Ron Lingard	4/2	34.17
Class C		
Butch Kohnen	6/1	43.5
Tammy Johnson	6/1	41.43
Glen Faust	5/2	44.64
Class D		
Phil Haas	7/0	25.36
Chad Amble	5/2	27.14
Ivan Ruzic	5/2	21.79

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## CARLEYS'

Notice the spelling, Carleys.' It indicates that two Carleys were responsible, Bun and Shirley. We thank them both for their efforts in brining us another fine event on the WHPA calendar.

Bun Carley is old school. We can tell by the parameters he outlined for each class. "Tie games will be played out by going down and back until resolved. Ties in the standings will go another 40 shoes," were his directions.

The Carley report;

We had 53 pitchers enter the tournament including WHPA President, Tom Steinke. Only two cancelled out. It was announced before each class that tie games would pitch down and back to break and that class ties would be played -off.

Tournament Champion was won by John Crook. This was his very first Championship win. We had a tie for first place in class F between Wes Podvin and Fred Decorah. They were both very tired so they pitched just down and back. Wes won the 1st place patch. Raffle on the horseshoe box donated by Bun Carley was won by Eugene Schultz.

We want to thank everyone for helping with the tournament also to Phil Haas who paced two classes for us.

— Bun and Shirley

## Bun Carley says, How About It ?

To all tournament directors:

If there is a spread of 10% or more in averages within a class, first place ties should be broken other than by percentage. I have spoken with several people and they all agree with this.

### Carley results

#### Class A

John Crook  
Mark Mauthe  
Norm Mauthe

#### Class C

Glen Faust  
Ray Groskinsky  
Teresa Donar

#### Class E

Ed Wheeler  
Dave Volz  
Marv Bennett

#### Class G

Willis David  
Dan David

#### Class B

Kerry Morris  
Larry Farris IN  
Rich Wisniewski IL

#### Class D

Milt Larsen  
Dave Klipstein  
Bernard Cockroft

#### Class F

Wes Podvin  
Fred Decorah  
Roger Olson

#### Class H

Dan Nalepinski  
Dan Bowell  
Eugene Schultz

## Horseshoe Pitcher's Dream

Francis Schalk was called in to a special meeting by his VFW in Oxford. They are thinking of building an indoor horseshoe arena

He asked for some support and the word went out. Some spirited pitchers responded and this is Frank's response to them.

Horseshoe Pitchers,

I would like to thank you for your emails. I was able to get it across that there would be good support for a building to pitch horseshoes, inside.

The Oxford VFW is going downhill and has many problems. Members getting older and fewer and big money problem. There are members that say they should get into something like this or the organization will die. It does not look good.

Thank You, Frank

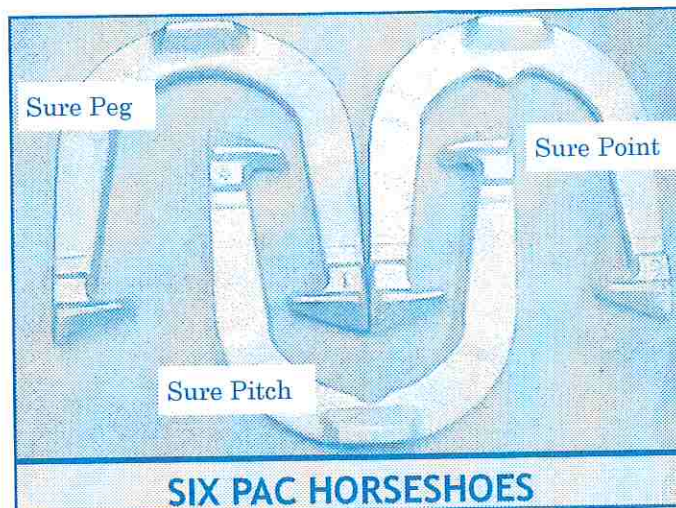




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